### PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE

#### MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

WEDNESDAY, 30 SEPTEMBER 2015,

ROOM 29, PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS

Present: Ms Michaela Boyle (Chairperson)

Mr John Dallat (Deputy Chairperson)

Mr Roy Beggs Mr Trevor Clarke Mr Phil Flanagan Mr Paul Girvan Ms Claire Hanna Mr Conor Murphy Mr Jim Wells

In Attendance: Ms Lucia Wilson (Assembly Clerk)

Mr Jack Peel (Assistant Assembly Clerk)

Mrs Danielle Saunders (Clerical Supervisor) Mr Darren Weir (Clerical Officer)

Apologies: Mr Ross Hussey

2.06pm The meeting began in open session with four Members present. The Committee did not have decision making quorum. In the absence of a decision-making quorum proceedings continued in line with Standing Order 49(5).

# 1. Apologies

Apologies were received from Mr Hussey

# 3. Correspondence

There was no new correspondence to discuss.

2.10pm Mr Girvan and Mr Clarke joined the meeting. The Committee gained decision making quorum.

# 4. Matters Arising

There were no new matters arising.

# **5.** Inquiry into Northern Ireland Events Company – Introduction to Briefing The Committee received an introduction to the briefing on the Northern Ireland Events Company from the C&AG and his team.

2.17pm The Committee moved into Closed Session

The Committee received a full briefing from the NIAO team on the Northern Ireland Events Company.

- 2.19pm Mr Clarke left the meeting
- 2.20pm Mr Clarke re-joined the meeting.
- 2.21pm Ms Hanna joined the meeting
- 2.36pm Mr Clarke left the meeting
- 2.38pm Mr Clarke re-joined the meeting
- 2.38pm Mr Wells joined the meeting
- 2.57pm Ms Hanna left the meeting
- 3.07pm Mr Murphy joined the meeting
- 3.14pm Ms Hanna re-joined the meeting
- 3.14pm Mr Dallat left the meeting
- 3.20pm Mr Clarke left the meeting
- 3.40pm Mr Girvan left the meeting
- 3.41pm Mr Wells left the meeting
- 3.42pm Mr Wells re-joined the meeting
- 4.13pm Mr Murphy left the meeting

# **6. Inquiry into Northern Ireland Events Company – Preparation Session** The Committee agreed the sections of the inquiry that they each wished to focus on during the evidence session.

### 2. Minutes of the Meeting of 23 September 2015

Agreed: The minutes of the previous meeting were agreed.

## 7. Any Other Business

The Committee agreed to note the PAC Strategic Plan for 2015/16.

# 8. Date, time and place of next meeting

Members were informed that the next meeting of the Committee would be at 2.00pm on Wednesday 7 October in the Senate Chamber Parliament Buildings.

4.21pm The meeting adjourned.

Ms Michaela Boyle (Chairperson) Chairperson, Public Accounts Committee