

## **PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE**

### **MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS**

**WEDNESDAY, 21 SEPTEMBER 2016, THE SENATE CHAMBER,  
PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS**

Present: Mr Robin Swann MLA (Chairperson)  
Mr Robbie Butler MLA  
Mr Trevor Clarke MLA  
Mr Gordon Dunne MLA  
Mr Alex Easton MLA  
Ms Michelle Gildernew MLA  
Mr Declan Kearney MLA  
Ms Carla Lockhart MLA  
Mr Trevor Lunn MLA  
Mr Oliver McMullan MLA

Apologies: Mr Daniel McCrossan MLA (Deputy Chairperson)

In Attendance: Ms Lucia Wilson, Assembly Clerk  
Ms Elaine Farrell, Assistant Assembly Clerk  
Ms Karen Barry, Clerical Supervisor  
Mr Darren Weir, Clerical Officer

*2.00 pm The meeting began in Open Session.*

#### **1. Apologies**

Noted above.

#### **2. Minutes of the meeting held on 14 September 2016**

*Agreed:* The draft minutes of the meeting on 14 September 2016 were agreed.

#### **3. Matters arising**

None

#### **4. Correspondence**

None

*Agreed:* The Committee agreed to move into Closed Session

*2.02 p.m. The meeting moved into Closed Session.*

*2.03 p.m. Ms Lockhart joined the meeting.*

*2.04 p.m. Mr Clarke joined the meeting.*

## **5. Inquiry into Non-domestic Renewable Heat Incentive (RHI) Scheme – Preparation Session**

The Committee noted correspondence dated 20 September 2016 from the DfE Accounting Officer in respect of the Committee evidence session in which he confirms his attendance on 28 September 2016.

*Agreed:* The Committee agreed to request that DfE forwards a copy of the draft PWC report on RHI in advance of the evidence session and to meet informally on 27 September 2016 to discuss the contents.

The following NI Audit Office officials joined the meeting at 2.06 p.m.

Mr Kieran Donnelly  
Ms Kerry Harkin  
Mr Tomas Wilkinson  
Mr Brian O’Neill

The officials briefed the Committee and this was followed by a question and answer session.

## **6. Any Other Business**

There was no other business.

## **7. Date, time and place of next meeting**

The next meeting of the Public Accounts Committee will take place on Wednesday 28 September 2016 at 2.00 p.m. in the Senate Chamber, Parliament Buildings.

*The meeting adjourned at 2.40 p.m.*

**Mr Robin Swann (Chairperson)**  
**Public Accounts Committee**