



Northern Ireland  
Assembly

**COMMITTEE FOR REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

**MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS**

**WEDNESDAY 26<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2012**  
**RICHARD BRANSON CENTRE, RATHLIN ISLAND**

**Present:**

Mr Jimmy Spratt MLA (Chairperson)  
Mr Séan Lynch MLA (Deputy Chairperson)  
Mr John Dallat MLA  
Mr Stewart Dickson MLA  
Mr Ross Hussey MLA  
Mr Declan McAleer MLA

**In attendance:**

Mr Paul Carlisle (Clerk to the Committee)  
Mr Nathan McVeigh (Assistant Assembly Clerk)  
Ms Tara McKee (Clerical Supervisor)  
Ms Alison Ferguson (Clerical Officer)

**Apologies:**

Mrs Dolores Kelly MLA  
Mr Cathal Ó hOisín MLA  
Mr Ian McCrea MLA  
Mr David McNarry MLA  
Mr Stephen Moutray MLA

9.27am      *The meeting commenced in public session*

**1. Apologies**

As above.

**2. Chairperson's Business**

The Chairperson updated members regarding a meeting that he held with the Minister and the Permanent Secretary.

### **3. Draft Minutes**

*Agreed:* The Committee agreed the minutes of the meeting of 19<sup>th</sup> September 2012.

### **4. Correspondence**

Members noted the correspondence received.

*Agreed:* The Committee noted correspondence from the Committee for Education regarding School Bus Passes and agreed to forward to DRD for comment.

*Agreed:* The Committee noted correspondence from DRD regarding the A55 Knock Road Widening, Publication of Notice of Intention to Proceed and Making of Statutory Orders and a Press Release from Minister for DRD.

*Agreed:* The Committee noted correspondence from DRD regarding Pay Bands and Memorandum of Understanding.

*Agreed:* The Committee noted correspondence from Northern Ireland Water regarding a Request for an official to meet Chris Hazzard MLA.

*Agreed:* The Committee noted correspondence from Craigavon Borough Council regarding Abandoned Building Sites and Properties and Unfinished Housing Developments and agreed to include it in the Unadopted Roads report.

*Agreed:* The Committee noted correspondence from Sustrans regarding Consultation on taxis in Bus Lanes.

### **5. Departmental briefing: October Monitoring**

*9.36am The following Officials joined the meeting:*

Deborah McNeilly – Director of Finance

Stewart Barnes – Head of Financial Planning and Management Branch

The Officials presented to the Committee in respect of the above. Following the presentation, Members put questions.

*9.41am Mr Hussey left the meeting*

*9.46am Mr Hussey rejoined the meeting*

10.10am Mr Dickson left the meeting  
10.19am The Officials left the meeting  
10.21am Mr Dickson rejoined the meeting

**6. Departmental Written Briefing:**

*Agreed:* Members noted the briefing regarding Departmental Savings Delivery Plans Update.

**7. Subordinate legislation not subject to Assembly procedure**

Members noted:

- The Parking Places (Disabled Persons' Vehicles) (Amendment No.6) Order (Northern Ireland) 2012
- The Parking Places and Loading Bays on Roads (Amendment No.2) Order (Northern Ireland) 2012

**8. Any Other Business**

**9. Date of the next meeting**

The next meeting of the Committee will be Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2012 at 10.00am in Room 21.

10.30pm The meeting was adjourned

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**Mr Jimmy Spratt MLA**  
**Chairperson, Committee for Regional Development**  
**03/10/12**