

Northern Ireland Assembly

DRAFT MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

TUESDAY 11TH MARCH 2014, ROOM 21, PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS, BALLYMISCAW, STORMONT

Present:	Mr Pat Sheehan (Deputy Ch Mr Roy Beggs Ms Paula Bradley Mr Gregory Campbell Mr Stephen Moutray Mr Raymond McCartney Ms Caitríona Ruane	nairperson)
Apologies:	Mr Alex Attwood Mr Paul Givan Mr Trevor Lunn Mr Seán Rogers	
In Attendance:	Mr John Simmons Ms Ursula McCanny Mr Jim Nulty	(Assembly Clerk) (Assistant Assembly Clerk) (Clerical Supervisor)

The meeting opened at 10.36am in public session.

1. Apologies

Apologies as detailed above.

2. Minutes of the last meeting

Agreed: The Committee agreed the minutes of the Committee meeting held on 25^{th} February 2014.

3. Matters Arising

The Deputy Chairperson advised Members that training on the OneNote software package would be available for Members and party staff on Thursday 13th March 2014.

There were no further matters arising.

4. Review of Petitions of Concern

The Deputy Chairperson reminded Members that there is an upcoming seminar in the Knowledge Exchange Seminar Series (KESS) that is relevant to AERC in that it will address Petitions of Concern and Women in Politics. It will take place on Thursday, 20th March 2014 and the Committee was asked if a Member could provide the opening remarks at this seminar.

Agreed: The Committee agreed a Member to provide the opening remarks.

The Deputy Chairperson advised Members that the purpose of this agenda item was for the Committee to consider the initial draft Report on the Review of Petitions of Concern.

The Deputy Chairperson advised the Committee that they had the option of moving into closed session for the discussion on the draft Report.

Agreed: To move into closed session.

The Committee moved into closed session at 10.39am.

Mr Stephen Moutray left the meeting at 10.40am.

The Committee discussed the draft Report and agreed some amendments to the text.

Agreed: The Committee agreed that any further proposed changes to the draft Report should be sent to Committee secretariat no later than 19th March 2014, for inclusion in the Committee folder for the 25th March meeting.

Agreed: The Committee agreed that the Secretariat should present a final version of the Report for agreement at its next meeting, on 25th March 2014.

Mr Gregory Campbell left the meeting at 10.55am.

The Committee moved into open session at 10.56am.

5. Forward Work Programme

The Chairperson advised Members that the purpose of this agenda item was for Members to consider the meetings scheduled for the Committee's current Review.

Agreed: The Committee agreed that it was content with the Forward Work Programme as drafted.

6. Any Other Business

There were no other items of business.

7. Date, Time and Place of next Meeting

The next meeting of the Assembly and Executive Review Committee will be held on Tuesday 25th March 2014 at 10.30am in room 21.

The Deputy Chairperson adjourned the meeting at 10.57am.

Mr Pat Sheehan, Deputy Chairperson Assembly and Executive Review Committee