



**Northern Ireland
Assembly**

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

**TUESDAY 10 FEBRUARY 2015, ROOM 21, PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS,
BALLYMISCAW, STORMONT**

Present: Mr Stephen Moutray (Chairperson)
Ms Paula Bradley
Mr Gregory Campbell
Mr Trevor Lunn
Mr Alastair Ross
Ms Caitríona Ruane
Ms Robin Swann

In Attendance:	Ms Claire McCanny	(Senior Assistant Assembly Clerk)
	Ms Kate McCullough	(Assistant Assembly Clerk)
	Mr Jim Nulty	(Clerical Supervisor)

The meeting opened at 9.34am in public session.

1. Apologies

Pat Sheehan, Seán Rogers

2. Minutes of the last meeting

The Committee agreed the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 27 January 2015.

3. Matters Arising

None.

**4. Women in Politics and the Northern Ireland Assembly – Committee
Consideration of Final Report**

Paula Bradley joined the meeting at 9.36am

The Committee considered a paper which provided more information on a number of recommendations considered at the meeting of 27 January 2015.

Agreed: The Committee agreed to make minor amendments to the paper.

Agreed: The Committee agreed to receive clarification on Dáil Éireann's financial penalties legislation as provided previously by the Assembly's Research and Information Service.

The Committee considered the draft final Report of the *Review of Women in Politics and the Northern Ireland Assembly*.

Gregory Campbell joined the meeting at 9.44am

Paula Bradley left the meeting at 9.45am

Robin Swann left the meeting at 9.57am

Caitríona Ruane left the meeting at 10.14am

Caitríona Ruane joined the meeting at 10.16am

Agreed: The Committee agreed the Cover Pages and paragraphs 1-28 of the Report agreed with suggested amendments.

Agreed: The Committee agreed to hold an additional meeting on Tuesday 17 February to agree the final draft Report - *Women in Politics and the Northern Ireland Assembly*.

5. Report on the Operation of the Provisions of Parts III and IV of the Northern Ireland Act 1998 – Committee Consideration of Party Responses

The Committee noted that no responses were received from political parties following correspondence of 27 January 2015.

The Committee noted the briefing paper outlining a suggested way forward.

Agreed: The Committee agreed to hold weekly meetings to facilitate Committee consideration of the Report on the Operation of the Provisions of Parts III and IV of the NI Act 1998.

6. Correspondence

The Committee noted no correspondence.

7. Forward Work Programme

Agreed: The Committee agreed the Forward Work Programme.

8. Any Other Business

None

9. Date, Time and Place of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be on Tuesday 17 February 2015 at 10.00am in Room 21.

The Chairperson adjourned the meeting at 10.21am

**Mr Stephen Moutray, Chairperson
Assembly and Executive Review Committee**