

Northern Ireland Assembly

ASSEMBLY AND EXECUTIVE REVIEW COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

TUESDAY 7 JUNE 2016, ROOM 30, PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS, BALLYMISCAW, STORMONT

Present:	Christopher Stalford MLA, Chairperson
	Michaela Boyle MLA, Deputy Chairperson
	Jim Allister MLA
	Brenda Hale MLA
	Danny Kennedy MLA
	Nelson McCausland MLA
	Daithí McKay MLA
	Ian Milne MLA
	Philip Smith MLA
	Jim Wells MLA

In Attendance: Keith McBride, Senior Assistant Assembly Clerk Clairita Frazer, Assistant Assembly Clerk Jim Nulty, Clerical Supervisor

Apologies: Alex Attwood MLA

The meeting commenced at 10.32am in closed session.

Agreed: that meetings would, as a rule, be held in public session, unless the Committee agrees that there is an overriding reason for proceedings to be closed.

1. Procedures and Administrative Arrangements

The Committee noted a number of guidance papers and protocols provided by Committee and members support.

The meeting moved into open session at 10.34am.

2. Apologies

As detailed above.

3. Declaration of Interests

The Committee noted information in respect of the requirement to declare any interests which may be relevant to the work of the Committee.

Brenda Hale joined the meeting at 10.35am

4. Clerk's Briefing on Role of Assembly & Executive Review Committee

The Clerk briefed members on the role of the Committee reflecting on both the Legacy Report of the previous Committee and outcome of the Fresh Start – The Stormont House Agreement and their implications for the future work programme of the Committee.

Agreed: that the Committee Chairperson would write to the First Minister and deputy First Minister seeking an early meeting to discuss the above issues.

Agreed: that the Committee Chairperson would write to all the political parties and independent MLAs represented in the Assembly, seeking views on future review topics for the Committee work programme. Responses would be requested in time for consideration before summer recess.

The meeting moved into closed session at 10.46am.

5. Legal Advice on Committee Motion

The Committee received legal advice from Assembly Legal Services on an Assembly and Executive Transfer of Responsibilities Motion.

Agreed: that the Committee Chairperson would write to the Speaker indicating that the Committee had considered the provision for an Assembly and Executive Transfer of Responsibilities Motion and agreed that there would be no merit in tabling such a Motion.

6. Any Other Business

There was no other business.

7. Date, Time and Place of Next Meeting

Agreed: that future meetings of the Assembly and Executive Review Committee would be held on Tuesday mornings.

The date, time and place of the next meeting would be advised in due course.

The Chairperson adjourned the meeting at 11.16pm.

Mr Christopher Stalford MLA Chairperson Assembly and Executive Review Committee