



Northern Ireland
Assembly

Ad Hoc Committee on the COVID-19 Response

Minutes of Proceedings: Thursday 30 April 2020

The Ad Hoc Committee on the COVID-19 Response met at 2.30pm in the Assembly Chamber with the Deputy Chairperson, Mr Christopher Stalford, in the Chair.

1. Minutes of the Previous Meeting held on 16 April 2020

Members were asked to note the minutes of the previous meeting held on 16 April, which had been agreed by the Deputy Chairperson, Mr Christopher Stalford.

2. Statement from the Minister of Health

The Minister of Health made a statement to the Committee, following which he answered questions from members.

Following this item of business, the meeting was suspended at 3.57pm and resumed at 4.07pm.

3. Statement from the Minister of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs

The Minister of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs made a statement to the Committee, following which he answered questions from members. The Minister was supported by Dr Denis McMahon, Permanent Secretary, Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs.

4. Date, time and place of next meeting.

The Deputy Chairperson informed the Committee that, unless otherwise notified about an earlier meeting, the next meeting of the Committee would take place on Thursday 7 May 2020 in the Assembly Chamber.

The meeting concluded at 5.22pm.

Mr Christopher Stalford
Deputy Chairperson

5 May 2020

Members present for all or part of the proceedings:

Mr Christopher Stalford (Deputy Chairperson)

Mr Jim Allister

Ms Martina Anderson

Ms Clare Bailey

Mrs Rosemary Barton

Mr John Blair

Ms Paula Bradshaw

Mr Thomas Buchanan

Ms Joanne Bunting

Mrs Pam Cameron

Mr Gerry Carroll

Mr Pat Catney

Mr Alan Chambers

Mr Alex Easton

Ms Sinéad Ennis

Mr Paul Frew

Mr Colm Gildernew

Mr Harry Harvey

Mr David Hilditch

Mr William Irwin

Mr Chris Lyttle

Mr Declan McAleer

Mr Colin McGrath

Mr Philip McGuigan

Mr Justin McNulty

Mr Mike Nesbitt

Mr Matthew O'Toole

Mr Edwin Poots (Minister of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs)

Mr Pat Sheehan

Ms Emma Sheerin

Mr John Stewart

Mr Robin Swann (Minister of Health)

*Any interests declared by members during the committee meeting are recorded in the minutes of evidence published in the Official Report.