



# Committee on Standards and Privileges

## Minutes of Proceedings

10 November 2021

**Meeting Location:** Room 29

**Present by Video or Teleconference:**

Ms Linda Dillon MLA (Chairperson)  
Ms Sinéad Bradley MLA  
Ms Pam Cameron MLA  
Mr Declan McAleer MLA

**Present:**

Mr Christopher Stalford MLA (Deputy Chairperson)  
Mr Stewart Dickson MLA  
Ms Áine Murphy MLA

**Apologies:**

Mr Patsy McGlone MLA

**In Attendance:**

Mr Shane McAteer (Assembly Clerk)  
Ms Marie Austin (Senior Assistant Clerk)  
Ms Karen Barry (Assistant Clerk)  
Mr Simon Gallaher (Clerical Supervisor)  
Ms Alison Ferguson (Clerical Officer)



**In Attendance by Video or Teleconference:**

Mr Jim Nulty (Clerical Supervisor)

**Agreed:** The Committee agreed to commence the meeting in closed session.

The meeting commenced at 12.44pm in closed session.

**1. Apologies**

As noted above.

**2. Declaration of Interests**

Members were advised of the ongoing requirement to declare relevant financial or other interests as and when they arise in the Committee meeting.

Members noted that Steve Aiken had recused himself from agenda item 5.

**3. Draft Minutes**

**Agreed:** The Committee agreed the minutes of the meeting held on 13 October 2021.



#### **4. Matters Arising**

##### **All Party Groups Update**

It was noted that, under temporary Standing Order 115(9), the Committee agreed, via correspondence on 13 October 2021, to approve an application for an All Party Group (APG) on Diabetes.

The Chairperson informed Members that the separate proposal for the establishment of an APG on Funerals and Bereavement would be considered by the Committee upon receipt of the completed application form.

#### **5. Complaint against a Member – Legal advice and Committee deliberation**

Members received legal advice from Assembly Legal Services regarding a complaint against a Member.

The Committee commenced consideration of the allegations which had been made against the Member complained about.

The meeting was suspended at 13.27pm.

The meeting was adjourned at 13.28pm.

**Linda Dillon MLA**

**Chairperson, Standards and Privileges Committee**

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