



Northern Ireland
Assembly

Committee for the Economy

Minutes of Proceedings

Wednesday 7 October 2026

Meeting Location: Board Room, Advanced Manufacturing Innovation Centre

Present:

Mr Phillip Brett MLA (Chairperson)

Ms Diane Forsythe MLA (Deputy Chairperson)

Mr Declan Kearney MLA

Mr Peter Martin MLA

Ms Sinéad McLaughlin MLA

Mr Mike Nesbitt MLA

Apologies:

Mr Pádraig Delargy MLA

Mr David Honeyford MLA

Ms Kate Nicholl MLA

In Attendance:

Peter McCallion (Assembly Clerk)

Michael Greig (Senior Assistant Assembly Clerk)

Karen O'Hare (Clerical Supervisor)

Aoibheann Baker (Bill Clerk) – Item 1 only

The meeting commenced in closed session at 10:07am.

2. Apologies

Apologies were as indicated above.

3. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

8. LCM Sporting Events Bill - Agreement of Report

The Committee considered tabled papers including forwarded correspondence from the Minister for Sport, Tourism, Place and Digital Government, in respect of the Sporting Events Bill and amendments including provisions relating to recurring events.

Agreed: The Committee agreed to accept a written assurance from the Department that the recurring events amendments do not alter the policy content of the Bill.

The Committee considered a draft of the Sporting Events Bill LCM report.

Agreed: The Committee agreed the Background section, as drafted.

Agreed: The Committee agreed to Consideration of the LCM section, as amended so as to include reference to the tabled papers and the Committee's acceptance of Departmental assurances.

Agreed: The Committee agreed the Appendices, as amended in order to include the tabled papers.

Agreed: The Committee agreed the Executive Summary section, as drafted.

Agreed: The Committee agreed that the amended report should be published as its 9th report of the mandate.

