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Dear Sir/Madam

The Licensing and Registration of Clubs (Amendment) Bill

At its final meeting of 19 January 2017, the Chairperson of the Committee for Communities advised members and the public that the Licensing and Registration of Clubs (Amendment) Bill will fall upon dissolution of the Assembly on 26 January 2017.

Furthermore, even if an identical Bill is introduced by an incoming Minister in a new Mandate, it will nevertheless have to go back to the beginning of the legislative passage through the Assembly.

The Committee expressed sincere disappointment that the proposed legislation will fall, recognising its importance to all stakeholders. I have been asked to extend the Committee's thanks to all who have assisted in its consideration of the Bill.

The Committee also wishes to assure stakeholders that all work to date is being officially documented and will be available to inform consideration of a new Bill in a new Assembly Mandate.

Should you have any questions or queries, please do not hesitate to contact myself or my colleague Ashleigh Mitford on 02890521939.

Yours sincerely

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