COMMITTEE FOR FINANCE AND PERSONNEL

Judith Finlay DFP Assembly Section Craigantlet Buildings Stormont

14 June 2013

Dear Judith

Legislative Consent Motion in respect of the Defamation Bill

At its meeting on 5 June 2013, the Committee for Finance and Personnel considered your correspondence of 30 May 2013 and 14 June 2012 regarding this matter.

With referenced to the correspondence of 14 June 2012, the Committee agreed to seek clarification on why the Department was "unable to secure the necessary consents within the required timescale" in order to pursue the legislative consent motion while the Bill was undergoing its Westminster passage.

I would be grateful for a response by 28 June 2013.

Yours sincerely

Shane McAteer Committee Clerk