

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

TUESDAY, 15 SEPTEMBER 2015
ROOM 21, PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS

Present: Ms Michaela Boyle (Chairperson)
Mr John Dallat (Deputy Chairperson)
Mr Roy Beggs
Mr Trevor Clarke
Mr Phil Flanagan
Mr Paul Girvan
Ms Claire Hanna
Mr Jim Wells

In Attendance: Ms Lucia Wilson (Assembly Clerk)
Mr Jack Peel (Assistant Assembly Clerk)
Mrs Danielle Saunders (Clerical Supervisor)
Mr Darren Weir (Clerical Officer)

Apologies: Mr Adrian McQuillan
Mr Conor Murphy

1.05pm The meeting began in open session.

1. Apologies

Apologies were received from Mr McQuillan and Mr Murphy

2. Minutes of the meeting of 9 September 2015

Agreed: The minutes of the previous meeting were agreed.

3. Matters Arising

There were no new matters arising.

4. Correspondence

There was no new correspondence.

1.06pm *The meeting moved into closed session.*

5. Inquiry into Department for Social Development – Advanced Land Purchases

Agreed: The Committee agreed to note the correspondence from DSD relating to the Helm Housing court case.

1.20pm *Mr Beggs left the meeting*

Agreed: The Committee considered its draft report on the above inquiry.

Main Body of Report:

Paragraphs 1-7	Read and agreed
Recommendation 1	Read, amended and agreed
Paragraph 8	Read, amended and agreed
Paragraph 9	Read, amended and agreed
Paragraph 10	Read and agreed
Recommendation 2	Read and agreed
Paragraph 11	Read and agreed
Paragraph 12	Read, amended and agreed
Paragraph 13	Read and agreed
Recommendation 3	Read and agreed
Paragraphs 14-18	Read and agreed
Recommendation 4	Read and agreed
Paragraph 19	Read, amended and agreed
Recommendation 5	Not agreed – to be reviewed at next Committee meeting
Paragraphs 20-23	Read and agreed
Recommendations 6 & 7	Read and agreed
Paragraphs 24 & 25	Read and agreed
Recommendation 8	Read, amended and agreed
Paragraph 26	Read, amended and agreed
Paragraph 27	Read and agreed
Paragraph 28	Not agreed – to be reviewed at next Committee meeting
Paragraphs 29-31	Read and agreed
Paragraph 32	Not agreed – to be reviewed at next Committee meeting
Recommendation 10	Read and agreed
Paragraph 33-34	Read and agreed
Recommendation 11	Read and agreed
Paragraph 35	Read and agreed
Recommendations 12 & 13	Read and agreed
Paragraphs 36-37	Read and agreed

Agreed: The Committee agreed to defer consideration of the remainder of the report until the next Committee meeting on 16 September.

1.34pm *Mr Flanagan left the meeting.*

1.38pm *Mr Beggs re-joined the meeting.*

6. Any Other Business

There was no other business to discuss.

1.44pm *Mr Clarke left the meeting*

7. Date, time and place of next meeting

Members were informed that the next meeting of the Committee would be at 2.00pm on Wednesday 16th September in the Senate Chamber, Parliament Buildings.

1.46pm *The meeting adjourned.*

Ms Michaela Boyle (Chairperson)
Chairperson, Public Accounts Committee