



Northern Ireland
Assembly

COMMITTEE FOR REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

WEDNESDAY 13TH MAY 2015
ROOM 21, PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS

Present:

Mr Sean Lynch MLA (Deputy Chairperson)
Mr Alex Easton MLA
Mr Declan McAleer MLA
Mr David McNarry MLA
Mr Stephen Moutray MLA
Mr Cathal Ó hOisín MLA

In attendance:

Mr Paul Carlisle (Clerk to the Committee)
Mr Gavin Ervine (Assistant Assembly Clerk)
Ms Christine Dodson (Clerical Supervisor)
Mr Barry McLernon (Clerical Officer)

Apologies:

Mr Trevor Clarke MLA (Chairperson)
Mr Joe Byrne MLA
Mr John Dallat MLA
Mr Ross Hussey MLA

10:15am The meeting commenced in open session

1. Apologies

As above.

2. Chairperson's Business

The Chairperson gave Members an overview of the meeting he held with the Minister and Departmental officials which took place on Monday 27th April 2015.

The Chairperson informed Members that the Committee had received a number of responses regarding the Road Traffic (Speed Limits) Bill.

Agreed: The Committee agreed to place the submissions on the Committee website and forward copies to the Department for information.

3. Draft Minutes

Agreed: The Committee agreed the minutes of the meeting of 29th April 2015.

4. Correspondence

Members noted the correspondence received.

Agreed: The Committee noted correspondence from Minister Danny Kennedy regarding the North South Ministerial Council Statement on 12th May 2015.

Agreed: The Committee noted a copy of the North South Ministerial Council Statement on 12th May 2015.

Agreed: The Committee noted correspondence from the Committee for Finance and Personnel regarding Monitoring of Savings Delivery Plans 2014/15 and agreed to consider a draft motion expressing the Committee's lack of confidence in the Department's ability to deliver their planned budgetary objectives.

Agreed: The Committee noted correspondence from the Environment Committee regarding Taxi Accessibility Regulations.

Agreed: The Committee noted correspondence from the Department for Regional Development regarding Committee queries on the Coleraine to Londonderry Rail Track Phase Two procurement process and agreed to include this in the inquiry folder.

Agreed: The Committee noted correspondence from the Department for Regional Development regarding Committee queries on non-domestic charges.

- Agreed:* The Committee noted correspondence from the Department for Regional Development regarding Committee queries on the public consultation on Translink Services.
- Agreed:* The Committee noted holding correspondence from the Department for Regional Development regarding Committee queries on Community Transport.
- Agreed:* The Committee noted correspondence from the AdHoc Committee regarding the Northern Ireland Public Services Ombudsperson (NIPSO) Bill.
- Agreed:* The Committee noted holding correspondence from the Department for Regional Development regarding Committee queries on taxi ranks in Belfast City Centre.
- Agreed:* The Committee noted correspondence from the Department for Regional Development regarding Committee queries on taxi ranks in Belfast City Centre and agreed to forward a copy to Belfast Public Hire Taxis for information.
- Agreed:* The Committee noted correspondence from the Department for Regional Development regarding enforcement of bus lanes.
- Agreed:* The Committee noted correspondence from the Department for Regional Development regarding Paschal Lynch proposals for York Street Interchange.
- Agreed:* The Committee noted correspondence from Mr Paschal Lynch regarding the York Street Interchange project and agreed to write to Mr Lynch to inform him this issue should be resolved between himself and the Department.
- Agreed:* The Committee noted an invite from Collaboration NI to Co-Design and Co-Production event in Parliament Buildings on 17th June 2015.
- Agreed:* The Committee noted correspondence from the Committee for Enterprise, Trade and Investment regarding their visit to Stuttgart.
- 10:32am *Mr Ó hOisín left the meeting*

5. Department for Regional Development Briefing: Dungannon Integrated Transport Pilot Project

10:32am *The following officials joined the meeting*

Sean Johnston – Programme Manager, Public Transport Reform, DRD

Michael Deery – Deputy Principal, Transport Projects, DRD

The officials presented to the Committee in respect of the work of the above. Following the presentation, Members put questions.

10:42am Mr Ó hOisín re-joined the meeting

11:07am Mr Moutray left the meeting

11:08am Mr McAleer left the meeting

11:08am The Committee was inquorate

11:12am Mr McAleer re-joined the meeting

11:12am The Committee was once again quorate

11:14am The officials left the meeting

Agreed: The Committee agreed to receive a follow up briefing on the Dungannon Integrated Transport Pilot Project after a full economic appraisal has been completed.

6. Subordinate Legislation not Subject to Assembly Procedure

Members noted:

- The Parking Places on Roads (Disabled Persons' Vehicles) (Amendment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2015
- The Parking Places, Loading Bay and Waiting Restrictions (Lisburn City Centre) Order (Northern Ireland) 2015
- The Prohibition of Waiting (Amendment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2015

7. SR 2015/220: The Parkside Gardens, Belfast (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2015

Agreed: That the Committee for Regional Development has considered SR 2015/220: The Parkside Gardens, Belfast (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2015 and has no objection to the rule.

8. SR 2015/221: The Sliabh Dubh Glen and Sliabh Dubh View, Belfast (Footpath) (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2015

Agreed: That the Committee for Regional Development has considered SR 2015/221: The Sliabh Dubh Glen and Sliabh Dubh View, Belfast (Footpath) (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2015 and has no objection to the rule.

9. SR 2015/234: The White Lodge Court, Greenisland (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2015

Agreed: That the Committee for Regional Development has considered SR 2015/234: The White Lodge Court, Greenisland (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2015 and has no objection to the rule.

10. Any Other Business

11. Date of the next meeting

The next meeting of the Committee will be Wednesday 20th May 2015 at 10:00am in Room 21, Parliament Buildings.

11:17am The meeting was adjourned

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Mr Trevor Clarke MLA
Chairperson, Committee for Regional Development
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