



Northern Ireland
Assembly

COMMITTEE FOR REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

WEDNESDAY 19TH MARCH 2014
ROOM 21, PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS

Present:

Mr Jimmy Spratt MLA (Chairperson)
Mr Sean Lynch MLA (Deputy Chairperson)
Mr Joe Byrne MLA
Mr John Dallat MLA
Mr Alex Easton MLA
Mr Ross Hussey MLA
Mr Declan McAleer MLA
Mr Kieran McCarthy MLA
Mr David McNarry MLA
Mr Cathal Ó hOisín MLA

In attendance:

Mr Paul Carlisle (Clerk to the Committee)
Mr Gavin Ervine (Assistant Assembly Clerk)
Mr Michael Greer (Clerical Supervisor)
Ms Alison Ferguson (Clerical Officer)

Apologies:

Mrs Brenda Hale MLA

10:06am The meeting commenced in open session

6. Department for Regional Development Briefing: Road Traffic (Speed Limits) Bill

10:11am The following officials joined the meeting

Philip Hamilton – Head of Engineering Services, Transport NI, DRD
Harvey Hamilton – Principal Engineer, Traffic & Engineering Policy, Transport NI, DRD
Greg McClelland – Road Safety Policy Manager, Transport NI, DRD

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

10:19am Mr McNarry joined the meeting

10:28am Mr Easton joined the meeting

10:32am The Committee adjourned.

11:32am The Committee recommenced in open session

The following Members were present: Mr Jimmy Spratt MLA (Chairperson), Mr Sean Lynch MLA (Deputy Chairperson), Mr Joe Byrne MLA, Mr John Dallat MLA, Mr Alex Easton MLA, Mr Ross Hussey MLA, Mr Kieran McCarthy MLA, Mr David McNarry MLA and Mr Cathal Ó hOisín MLA.

12:03pm Mr McAleer joined the meeting

12:12pm Mr Byrne left the meeting

12:17pm Mr Hussey left the meeting

12:18pm The officials left the meeting

Agreed: The Committee agreed to write to the Department to request further statistical data with regards to the cost of fatalities and serious injuries against the cost of providing traffic calming measures to self-enforce speed restrictions.

Agreed: The Committee agreed to write to the Department to request further information on the comparable costs between traffic calming and traffic signage.

Agreed: The Committee agreed to write to the Department to request further information on the costs of the 500 schemes completed to date in respect of the 4300 km of unclassified roads in Northern Ireland.

Agreed: The Committee agreed to write to the Department to request further information relating to speeds in the pilot projects.

Agreed: The Committee agreed to invite representatives from PSNI to brief the Committee on the Road Traffic (Speed Limits) Bill.

Mr Jimmy Spratt MLA
Chairperson, Committee for Regional Development
26/03/14

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