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**Chair's Brief for the Meeting of the
Committee for Enterprise, Trade & Investment**

Room 29, Parliament Buildings

From: Jim McManus

Committee Clerk, Committee for Enterprise, Trade & Investment

To: Patsy McGlone
Chairperson

cc Conor Murphy
Deputy Chairperson

Meeting Date: 8 March 2016

Meeting Time: 10.00am

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1. **Remind members:** all devices should set to mute.

Declare the meeting open to the public.

2. **Welcome:** members and the public.
3. **Inform those in the Public Gallery:** they are welcome to use their mobile devices as long as they are in airplane mode and all devices are muted. They are welcome to connect to the Assembly Wi-Fi. Password details are available on the gallery rules. It is not permitted to take photographs or record any of the meeting.

Agenda Item 1 – Apologies

4. **Inform members:** No apologies have been received.

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5. **Ask members:** if they have received any apologies.

Agenda Item 2 – Draft Minutes

6. **Inform members:** a copy of the draft minutes of the meeting held on 1st March 2016 is from **page 5** onwards.

Agenda Item 3 – Chairpersons Business

Updated Agenda

7. **Inform Members:** a revised Agenda has been **Tabled for Members consideration** to include the SL1 Proposed Renewables Obligation Closure Order (Northern Ireland) 2016. The SL1 is listed as **Agenda Item 12**.
8. **Ask members:** if they agree to the revised Agenda.
9. **Ask members:** as officials are on standby, if they are content to move to **Agenda Item 12**.

MOVE TO AGENDA ITEM 12

Agenda Item 12 – Legislation: SL1 Renewable Obligation Closure Order (Northern Ireland) 2016

10. **Inform members:** papers for this item include:
 - a cover note (**page 35 of Tabled Papers**)
 - the SL1 (**page 36 of Tabled Papers**)
 - Ministerial letter to Chair (**page 42 of Tabled Papers**)
 - DETI response to Consultation (**page 45 of Tabled Papers**)
 - Ministerial letter to Speaker (**page 67 of Tabled Papers**)
 - Ministerial Statement (**page of 68 Tabled Papers**)
11. **Inform members:** the following DETI officials are on standby:
 - Chris Stewart, Head of Policy Group;

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- John Mills, Head of Energy Division;
- Alison Clydesdale, Principal, Renewable Electricity Branch &
- Alan Smith Principal Economist, Co-ordination Branch.

12. **Inform members:** the Rule is subject to **affirmative resolution**. It is proposed that the Rule would come into operation on 1st April 2016.
13. **Inform members:** this is the Committee's opportunity to consider the policy set out in the SL1, as it is not possible to amend this once the Rule has been made and laid out in the Assembly Business Office.
14. **Ask members:** if they are content with the policy implications of the proposed legislation.

MOVE TO AGENDA ITEM 4

Agenda Item 4 – Oral Briefing from Tourism Northern Ireland: Northern Ireland Year of Food and Drink 2016

15. **Inform members:** a written brief is at **page 4 of Tabled Papers**.
16. **Inform members:** briefing the Committee today from Tourism Northern Ireland are:
- Ms Katherine Thomson, Chief Operating Officer
 - Ms Aine Kearney, Director of Business Support and Events
 - Ms Naomi Waite, Director of Marketing at Tourism NI

17. **Welcome:** the officials to the meeting.

Following the briefing:

18. **Thank the officials:** for their briefing today.

Agenda Item 5 – Matters Arising

Issues Raised by Bell and Company

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19. **Inform members:** papers for this item include:

- correspondence from Cerberus European Capital Advisors (**page 14**)
- correspondence regarding the Committee's letter to the Office of New York City Comptroller (**page 15**)

20. **Ask members:** if they have any comments.

21. **Ask members:** if they are content to note.

Renewable Heat Incentive Schemes

22. **Inform members:** a Departmental response to the Committees queries regarding the Explanatory Memorandum is at **page 11 of Tabled Papers**.

23. **Ask members:** at **page 12 of Tabled Papers** is a response from the DETI Liaison Officer to the Committee for Agriculture and Rural Development.

24. **Ask members:** if they have any comments.

25. **Ask members:** if they are content to note.

Outstanding Departmental Responses from Meetings

26. **Inform members:** a list is at **page 15 of Tabled Papers**.

27. **Ask members:** if they are content to forward the list to the Department asking for a response in time for next week's meeting.

New Item on Poultry Waste Cross Border Project

28. **Inform members:** at **page 16 of tabled Papers** is a BBC NI online news article. This is one of the poultry litter projects jointly funded by DARD and DETI.

29. **Ask members:** if they have any comments.

30. **Ask members:** if they are content to note.

Agenda Item 6 – Written Briefing from Assembly Research: Personalised Medicine in Scotland

31. **Inform members:** the paper is at **page 19**.
32. **Ask members:** if they have any comments.
33. **Ask members:** if they are content to note.

Agenda Item 7 – Retention and Disposal Schedule for Tourism Northern Ireland

34. **Inform members:** papers for this item include:
 - briefing note (**page 19 of Tabled Papers**)
 - written brief (**page 26**)

35. **Ask members:** if they have any comments.

Note to Chair: if members are content with the retention and disposal schedule please put the following question:

“That the Committee for Enterprise, Trade & Investment has considered the Tourism Northern Ireland Retention and Disposal Schedule and has no objection to the Schedule.”

Agenda Item 8 – Written Briefing from Invest NI: R&D Liaison Service Brussels Bulletin

36. **Inform members:** the paper is at **page 55**.
37. **Ask members:** if they have any comments.
38. **Ask members:** if they are content to note.

Agenda Item 9 – Correspondence

39. **Advise members:** there are **six** items of correspondence on the Index for members to consider. The index is at **page 65**.
40. **Ask members:** if they are content to note the items on the Index.

Green Investment Bank Privatisation

41. **Inform members:** correspondence from Green Investment Bank is from **page 21 of Tabled Papers** onwards.
42. **Ask members:** if they have any comments.
43. **Ask members:** if they are content to note.

EU Matters

44. **Inform members:** a copy of the newsletter is at **page 26 of Tabled Papers**.
45. **Ask members:** if they have any comments.
46. **Ask members:** if they are content to note

Joint Informal Meeting on Bombardier Job Losses

47. **Inform members:** papers for this item include:
 - Correspondence from DETI Liaison Officer (**page 32 of tabled Papers**)
 - Correspondence from the Committee for Employment and Learning (**page 33 of Tabled Papers**)
48. **Ask members:** if they are content that this Committee attends the informal meeting, to be held on Wednesday 9 March 2016, at 2:30 pm, in Room 144 Parliament Buildings.
49. **Ask members:** to notify the Committee Office of their availability to attend.

Agenda Item 10 - Any Other Business

50. **Ask members:** if they agree to the Chair signing off the Minutes of next week's meeting as it is currently scheduled to be the last meeting before dissolution.
51. **Ask members:** if correspondence arrives between next week's meeting and dissolution, are members content that a standard letter is issued stating that

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the Committee has no further meetings but the correspondence has been forwarded to its members.

52. **Ask members:** if they have any additional items of business.

Agenda Item 11 – Date, Time and Place of Next Meeting

53. **Inform members:** the next Committee meeting will take place on **Tuesday 15th March 2016 at 10am, in Room 29**, Parliament Buildings.