Formal Minutes of the Committee

Tuesday 27 July 2010

Members present:

Mr Laurence Robertson, in the Chair
Oliver Colvile
Mr Stephen Hepburn
Ian Lavery
Naomi Long
Jack Lopresti
Ian Paisley
Stephen Pound
Mel Stride
Gavin Williamson

1. Declaration of interests

Members declared their interests, in accordance with the Resolution of the House of 13 July 1992 (see Appendix A).

2. Committee working methods

The Committee considered this matter.

Ordered, That the public be admitted during the examination of witnesses unless the Committee otherwise orders.

Ordered, That witnesses who submit written evidence to the Committee are authorised to publish it on their own account in accordance with Standing Order No. 135, subject always to the discretion of the Chair or where the Committee orders otherwise.

Resolved, That the Committee shall not consider individual cases.

Resolved, That the Committee approves the use of electronic equipment by Members during public and private meetings, provided that they are used in accordance with the rules and customs of the House.

3. Future programme

The Committee considered this matter.

Resolved, That the Committee take evidence from Rt Hon Mr Owen Paterson MP, Secretary of State for Northern Ireland.

1 Elected by the House (S.O. No 122B) 9 June 2010, see Votes and Proceedings 10 June 2010
Resolved, That the Committee take evidence from the Lord Saville of Newdigate, Chair of the Bloody Sunday Inquiry.

Resolved, That the Committee inquire into Corporation Tax in Northern Ireland.

Resolved, That the Committee visit Northern Ireland.

Resolved, That the Committee visit the Republic of Ireland, and that the Chairman seek the approval of the Liaison Committee for expenditure in connection with the visit.

Resolved, That the Chairman have leave to visit Oxford to attend the British-Irish Association Conference in a representative capacity.

4. Specialist Adviser

Resolved, That Mr David Watkins be appointed a Specialist Adviser to assist the Committee.

[Adjourned till Wednesday 8 September at 9.30 a.m.

Wednesday 8 September 2010

Members present:

Mr Laurence Robertson, in the Chair

Mr Joe Benton
Oliver Colvile
Lady Hermon
Jack Lopresti
Dr Alasdair McDonnell

Ian Paisley
Stephen Pound
David Simpson
Mel Stride
Gavin Williamson

1. Future Programme

The Committee considered this matter.

Resolved, That the Committee visit the Irish Embassy in London to meet with the Irish Ambassador.

2. Visit to Belfast, Monday 11-Tuesday 12 October

The Committee considered this matter.

3. Chair’s Visit to Northern Ireland

The Committee considered this matter.
Resolved, That the Chair have leave to visit Northern Ireland in October to attend a series of introductory meetings in a representative capacity.

4. Publication of the Billy Wright Inquiry Report

The Committee considered this matter.

5. Declaration of Interests

David Simpson declared an interest as a member of the Orange Institution, Apprentice Boys of Londonderry and Royal Black Institution (see Appendix A).

6. Work of the Northern Ireland Office: introductory evidence session with the Secretary of State

The Committee considered this matter.

Rt Hon Owen Paterson MP, Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, Alan Whysall, Deputy Director, Constitutional Policy and Legislation, Simon Case, Deputy Director, Rights, Elections and Legacy, and Simon Marsh, Deputy Director, Security and Protection, Northern Ireland Office gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till Wednesday 13 October at 2.30pm.

Thursday 7 October—Friday 8 October

The Chair visited Belfast to attend a series of introductory meetings in a representative capacity, in accordance with the Committee’s decision of 8 September.

Sunday 10 October — Monday 11 October

The Chair, Mr Joe Benton, Oliver Colvile, Mr Stephen Hepburn, Naomi Long, Jack Lopresti, Dr Alasdair McDonnell and Mel Stride visited Belfast in connection with the Committee’s inquiry into Corporation Tax in Northern Ireland and other matters, in accordance with the Committee’s decision of 27 July.
Wednesday 14 October 2010

Members present:

Mr Laurence Robertson, in the Chair

Mr Joe Benton
Oliver Colvile
Mr Stephen Hepburn
Ian Lavery
Naomi Long
Jack Lopresti
Dr Alasdair McDonnell
David Simpson
Mel Stride
Gavin Williamson

1. Corporation Tax

The Committee considered this matter.

Ordered, That the following written evidence relating to Corporation Tax in Northern Ireland be reported to the House for publication on the internet:

Northern Ireland Independent Retail Trade Association (CT02)
Bombardier Aerospace, Belfast (CT03)
Peninsula Hi-Tech Ltd (CT04)
Chartered Institute of Taxation, Northern Ireland Branch (CT05)
Chartered Accountants Ireland and Chartered Accountants Ulster Society (CT06)
KPMG (CT07)
PricewaterhouseCoopers Northern Ireland (CT08)
CBI Northern Ireland (CT09)
Northern Ireland Economic Reform Group (CT10)
Invest Northern Ireland (CT11)

2. Bloody Sunday Inquiry

The Committee considered this matter.

Rt Hon the Lord Saville of Newdigate, Chair of the Bloody Sunday Inquiry, gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till Wednesday 20 October at 2.30pm.]
Wednesday 27 October 2010

Members present:

Mr Laurence Robertson, in the Chair

Mr Joe Benton  Ian Paisley
Oliver Colvile  David Simpson
Ian Lavery  Mel Stride
Naomi Long  Gavin Williamson
Jack Lopresti

1. Membership of the Committee

The Committee considered this matter.

2. Briefing from the Northern Ireland Office

The Committee considered this matter.

3. Visit to Belfast

The Committee considered this matter.

4. Future Programme

The Committee considered this matter.

5. Corporation Tax in Northern Ireland Inquiry

The Committee considered this matter.

Eamonn Donaghy and Victor Hewitt, Northern Ireland Economic Reform Group; Jeremy Fitch, Invest NI; Brendan Morris, Chartered Institute of Taxation, John Whiting, Tax Director, Head of the Office of Tax Simplification and Martin Fleetwood, PricewaterhouseCoopers, gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till Wednesday 10 November at 2.30pm.

Tuesday 2 November

The Chair, Mr Joe Benton, Mr Stephen Hepburn, Dr Alasdair McDonnell, Mel Stride and Gavin Williamson visited the Irish Embassy in London to meet with the Irish Ambassador, in accordance with the Committee’s decision of 8 September.
Sunday 7 November — Tuesday 9 November

The Chair, Mr Joe Benton, Oliver Colvile, Dr Alasdair McDonnell and Mel Stride visited Dublin in connection with the Committee’s inquiry into Corporation Tax in Northern Ireland and other matters, in accordance with the Committee’s decision of 27 July.

Wednesday 10 November 2010

Members present:

Mr Laurence Robertson, in the Chair

Mr Joe Benton  Dr Alasdair McDonnell
Oliver Colvile  Ian Paisley
Lady Hermon  David Simpson
Naomi Long  Mel Stride
Jack Lopresti  Gavin Williamson

1. Visit to Dublin, 7-9 November

The Committee considered this matter.

2. Corporation Tax in Northern Ireland

The Committee considered this matter.

Ordered, That the written evidence relating to Corporation Tax in Northern Ireland submitted by the Irish-U.S. Council (CT13) be reported to the House for publication on the internet.

3. Future Programme

The Committee considered this matter.

Resolved, That the Chair have leave to visit Belfast in a representative capacity in December to meet with members of the business community and with the Police Service of Northern Ireland.

4. Corporation Tax in Northern Ireland

The Committee considered this matter.

Terrence Brannigan, Chairman, and Nigel Smyth, Director, CBI Northern Ireland; Arlene Foster MLA, Minister of Enterprise, Trade and Investment, Northern Ireland Executive, Sammy Wilson MLA, Minister of Finance and Personnel, Northern Ireland Executive, Bill
Pauley, Head of the Strategic Policy Division, Department of Finance and Personnel, Northern Ireland Executive, and David Thomson, Deputy Secretary, Department of Enterprise, Trade and Investment, Northern Ireland Executive, gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till Wednesday 17 November at 2.30pm.

Wednesday 17 November 2010

Members present:

Mr Laurence Robertson, in the Chair

Mr Joe Benton  Ian Paisley
Oliver Colvile  David Simpson
Lady Hermon  Mel Stride
Naomi Long  Gavin Williamson
Jack Lopresti

1. Future Programme

The Committee considered this matter.

2. Corporation Tax in Northern Ireland

The Committee considered this matter.

Peter Bunting, Assistant General Secretary of the Irish Congress of Trade Unions, Richard Murphy, Director, Tax Research, and Dr Esmond Birnie, Chief Economist, PricewaterhouseCoopers Northern Ireland, gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till Wednesday 24 November at 2.30pm.]
Wednesday 24 November 2010

Members present:

Mr Laurence Robertson, in the Chair

Mr Joe Benton
Oliver Colvile
Lady Hermon
Kate Hoey
Naomi Long
David Simpson
Mel Stride
Gavin Williamson

1. Future Programme

The Committee considered this matter.

2. Corporation Tax in Northern Ireland

The Committee considered this matter.

Ordered, That the written evidence relating to Corporation Tax in Northern Ireland submitted by the UK Government (CT01) and Peninsula Hi-Tech (CT14) be reported to the House for publication on the internet.

3. Declaration of interests

Kate Hoey declared further interests, in accordance with the Resolution of the House of 13 July 1992 (see Appendix A).

4. Corporation Tax in Northern Ireland

The Committee considered this matter.

Mark MacGann, Senior Vice President, Head of European Government Affairs and Public Advocacy, NYSE Euronext, and Tony McManus, Global Head of Enterprise Software and Head of Operations in Belfast, NYSE Technologies; John Simpson, Part-time Consultant, Visiting Professor at the University of Ulster and regular writer on the Northern Ireland economy, gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till Wednesday 1 December at 2.30pm.]
Wednesday 1 December 2010

Members present:

Mr Laurence Robertson, in the Chair

Oliver Colvile
Mr Stephen Hepburn
Lady Hermon
Naomi Long
Jack Lopresti

Dr Alasdair McDonnell
Ian Paisley
David Simpson
Mel Stride
Gavin Williamson

1. Future Programme

The Committee considered this matter.

[Adjourned till Wednesday 8 December at 2.30pm.

Thursday 2 December – Friday 3 December

The Chair visited Belfast to meet with members of the business community and the Police Service of Northern Ireland in a representative capacity, in accordance with the Committee’s decision of 10 November.

Wednesday 8 December 2010

Members present:

Mr Laurence Robertson, in the Chair

Mr Joe Benton
Oliver Colvile
Mr Stephen Hepburn
Lady Hermon
Kate Hoey

Naomi Long
David Simpson
Mel Stride
Gavin Williamson

1. Future Programme

The Committee considered this matter.

Resolved, That the Committee inquire into Northern Ireland as an Enterprise Zone.
2. **Corporation Tax in Northern Ireland**

The Committee considered this matter.

Roger Pollen, Head of External Affairs, and Ken Redpath, Chairman, Belfast City Branch, Federation of Small Businesses, Northern Ireland, gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till Wednesday 12 January at 2.30pm.

**Wednesday 12 January 2011**

Members present:

Mr Laurence Robertson, in the Chair

Mr Joe Benton          Ian Paisley
Oliver Colvile         David Simpson
Lady Hermon            Mel Stride
Naomi Long             Gavin Williamson
Dr Alasdair McDonnell

1. **Future Programme**

The Committee considered this matter.

2. **Corporation Tax in Northern Ireland**

*Ordered*, That the written evidence relating to Corporation Tax in Northern Ireland submitted by Algirdas Šemeta, Member of the European Commission, (CT16) be reported to the House for publication on the internet.

3. **Corporation Tax in Northern Ireland**

The Committee considered this matter.

Rosa Greaves, Professor of European Commercial Law and Head of School of Law, University of Glasgow, and Phillip Kermode, Taxation and Customs Union Directorate General, EU Commission, gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till Wednesday 19 January at 2.30pm.]
Wednesday 19 January 2011

Members present:

Mr Laurence Robertson, in the Chair

Mr Joe Benton
Oliver Colvile
Mr Stephen Hepburn
Lady Hermon
Kate Hoey
Naomi Long
Jack Lopresti
Dr Alasdair McDonnell
Ian Paisley
David Simpson
Mel Stride
Gavin Williamson

1. Future Programme

The Committee considered this matter.

[Adjourned till Wednesday 26 January at 1.15pm.

Wednesday 26 January 2011

Members present:

Mr Laurence Robertson, in the Chair

Oliver Colvile
Mr Stephen Hepburn
Lady Hermon
Kate Hoey
Naomi Long
Jack Lopresti
Dr Alasdair McDonnell
Ian Paisley
David Simpson
Mel Stride
Gavin Williamson

1. The Committee’s programme of work

The Committee considered this matter.

[Adjourned till Wednesday 9 February at 2.30pm.
Wednesday 9 February 2011

Members present:

Mr Laurence Robertson, in the Chair

Mr Joe Benton  Dr Alasdair McDonnell
Oliver Colvile  Ian Paisley
Lady Hermon  David Simpson
Kate Hoey  Mel Stride
Naomi Long  Gavin Williamson
Jack Lopresti

1. The Committee’s programme of work

The Committee considered this matter.

Resolved, That the Committee visit Belfast in connection with its inquiries into corporation tax and enterprise zones, and other matters.

2. Northern Ireland as an enterprise zone

The Committee considered this matter.

Ordered, That the following written evidence relating to Northern Ireland as an enterprise zone be reported to the House for publication on the internet:

Wilbert Garvin (EZ01)
Limavady Borough Council (EZ02)
Bombardier Aerospace, Belfast (EZ03)
Ladbrokes (EZ04)
Capitus (EZ05)
Federation of Small Businesses (EZ06)
Invest NI (EZ07)
CBI (EZ08)
Professor Lloyd Greg (EZ09)
CB Richard Ellis (EZ11)

3. Northern Ireland as an enterprise zone

The Committee considered this matter.

Roger Pollen, Head of External Affairs, and Patricia O’Hagan, Member, Federation of Small Businesses, Northern Ireland, and Mr Aubrey Calderwood, Managing Director, and Mr Andrew Reid, consultant, Capitus, gave oral evidence.
Wednesday 16 February 2011

Members present:

Mr Laurence Robertson, in the Chair

Mr Joe Benton  Jack Lopresti
Oliver Colvile  Dr Alasdair McDonnell
Mr Stephen Hepburn  Ian Paisley
Lady Hermon  David Simpson
Kate Hoey  Mel Stride
Naomi Long  Gavin Williamson

1. Future programme

The Committee considered this matter.

2. National Asset Management Agency and public inquiries

The Committee considered this matter.

3. Northern Ireland as an enterprise zone

The Committee considered this matter.

Rt Hon Lord Heseltine CH and Prof Greg Lloyd, University of Ulster, gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till Wednesday 2 March at 2.30pm.]
Wednesday 2 March 2011

Members present:

Mr Laurence Robertson, in the Chair

Mr Joe Benton  Jack Lopresti
Oliver Colvile   Dr Alasdair McDonnell
Lady Hermon     Ian Paisley
Kate Hoey       Mel Stride
Naomi Long      Gavin Williamson

1. Future programme

The Committee considered this matter.

2. Implications for Northern Ireland of the Daylight Saving Bill

Resolved, That the Committee invite written evidence on the implications for Northern Ireland of the Daylight Saving Bill.

3. Meeting time of the Committee

The Committee considered this matter.

4. Corporation Tax in Northern Ireland

Ordered, That the following written evidence relating to Corporation Tax in Northern Ireland be reported to the House for publication on the internet:

    Alan Trench (CT17)

5. Northern Ireland as an enterprise zone

Ordered, That the following written evidence relating to Northern Ireland as an enterprise zone be reported to the House for publication on the internet:

    John Simpson (EZ12)

6. Northern Ireland as an enterprise zone

The Committee considered this matter.

Nigel Smyth, Director, CBI Northern Ireland, and Bill Scott, Director of Regional Economic Development, and Oonagh Hinds, Manager of Regional Business Team, Invest NI, gave oral evidence.
Wednesday 9 March 2011

Members present:

Mr Laurence Robertson, in the Chair

Mr Joe Benton
Mr Stephen Hepburn
Kate Hoey
Naomi Long

Jack Lopresti
Ian Paisley
Mel Stride
Gavin Williamson

1. **Future programme**

The Committee considered this matter.

2. **Northern Ireland as an enterprise zone (i)**

The Committee considered this matter.

*Ordered*, That the following written evidence relating to Northern Ireland as an enterprise zone be reported to the House for publication on the internet:

- Belfast City Council (EZ10)

3. **Northern Ireland as an enterprise zone (ii)**

The Committee considered this matter.

John Simpson, part-time Consultant, Visiting Professor at the University of Ulster, gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till Wednesday 30 March at 2.15pm.

Monday 21 March – Tuesday 22 March

*The Chair, Mr Joe Benton, Oliver Colvile, Mr Stephen Hepburn, Lady Sylvia Hermon, Jack Lopresti, Dr Alasdair McDonnell, Ian Paisley, Mel Stride and Gavin Williamson visited Belfast in connection with its inquiries into corporation tax and enterprise zones, and other matters, in accordance with the Committee’s decision of 9 February.*
Wednesday 30 March 2011

Members present:

Mr Laurence Robertson, in the Chair

Mr Joe Benton  Jack Lopresti
Oliver Colvile  Dr Alasdair McDonnell
Mr Stephen Hepburn  Ian Paisley
Lady Hermon  David Simpson
Kate Hoey  Mel Stride
Naomi Long  Gavin Williamson

1. Northern Ireland Office Explanatory Memorandum on the Spring Supplementary Estimates 2010-11

The Committee considered this matter.

Ordered, That the following written evidence be reported to the House for publication on the internet:

Northern Ireland Office Explanatory Memorandum on the Spring Supplementary Estimates 2010-11

2. Protection of Human Rights in Northern Ireland

The Committee considered this matter.

3. Future programme

The Committee considered this matter.

4. Responsibilities of the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland

The Committee considered this matter.

Rt Hon Owen Paterson MP, Secretary of State for Northern Ireland and Alan Whysall, Head, and Jon Donaghy, member, Constitution and Political Group, Northern Ireland Office, gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till Wednesday 27 April at 2.15pm.

Wednesday 27 April 2011

Members present:
1. **Future programme**

The Committee considered this matter.

*Resolved*, That the Committee visit Londonderry and Belfast in June, in connection with its work.

2. **Liaison Committee evidence session with the Prime Minister**

The Committee considered this matter.

3. **Possible Implications for Northern Ireland of the Daylight Saving Bill**

*Ordered*, That the following written evidence relating to Implications for Northern Ireland of the Daylight Saving Bill be reported to the House for publication on the internet:

- Translink (DS 01)
- Edmund Slaine (DS 02)
- Mary Lutton (DS 03)
- Michael Lokyer (DS 04)
- PACTS (DS 05)
- N C E Mckinny (DS 06)
- Northern Ireland Sports Forum (DS 07)
- Institute of Directors (DS 08)
- George Callen (DS 09)
- Royal Institute for the protection of accidents (DS 10)
- Lighter Later (DS 11)
- Federation of Small Businesses (DS 12)
- Mayer Hillman (DS13)

4. **Northern Ireland as an Enterprise Zone**

*Ordered*, That the following written evidence relating to Northern Ireland as an Enterprise Zone be reported to the House for publication on the internet:

- Northern Ireland Council for Voluntary Action (EZ15)

5. **Rebalancing the Northern Ireland economy**

The Committee considered this matter.
David Gauke MP, Exchequer Secretary HM Treasury, and Mike Williams, Director, Business and Indirect Tax, HM Treasury, gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till Wednesday 17 May at 2.15pm.]

Tuesday 17 May 2011

Members present:

Mr Laurence Robertson, in the Chair

Mr Joe Benton         Jack Lopresti
Oliver Colvile        Ian Paisley
Kate Hoey             David Simpson
Naomi Long            Mel Stride

1. Elections to the Northern Ireland Assembly 2011

The Committee considered this matter.

[Adjourned till tomorrow at 2.15pm.]

Wednesday 18 May 2011

Members present:

Mr Laurence Robertson, in the Chair

Mr Joe Benton         David Simpson
Oliver Colvile        Mel Stride
Jack Lopresti         Gavin Williamson
Ian Paisley

1. Corporation Tax in Northern Ireland

The Committee considered this matter.

Draft Report (Corporation Tax in Northern Ireland), proposed by the Chairman, brought up and read.

The draft Report was agreed to; the Formal Minutes relating to the consideration of the Report are published in the First Report of the Committee, HC 558–I.
Wednesday 8 June 2011

Members present:

Mr Laurence Robertson, in the Chair

Oliver Colvile
Mr Stephen Hepburn
Lady Hermon
Naomi Long
Jack Lopresti
Dr Alasdair McDonnell
Ian Paisley
David Simpson
Mel Stride
Gavin Williamson

1. Northern Ireland Office Explanatory Memorandum on the Main Estimate 2010–11

The Committee considered this matter.

Ordered, That the following written evidence be reported to the House for publication on the internet:

Northern Ireland Office 2011–12 Main Estimate Explanatory Memorandum

2. Future inquiries

Resolved, That the Committee inquire into fuel smuggling and laundering in Northern Ireland.

Resolved, That the Committee inquire into the implications for Northern Ireland of air passenger duty.

3. Future visits

Resolved, That the Committee visit Northern Ireland on 11–13 July to study the PSNI’s policing operation.

[Adjourned till Wednesday 21 June at 10.30 a.m. at the Parliament Buildings, Stormont]
Monday 20 June – Tuesday 21 June

The Chair, Mr Stephen Hepburn, Lady Hermon, Naomi Long, Dr Alasdair McDonnell, Ian Paisley and Mel Stride visited Londonderry and Belfast in connection with the Committee’s inquiry into air passenger duty and other matters, in accordance with the Committee’s decision of 27 April.

Tuesday 21 June 2011

The Committee met at Parliament Buildings, Stormont

Members present:

Mr Laurence Robertson, in the Chair

Mr Stephen Hepburn  Dr Alasdair McDonnell
Lady Hermon  Ian Paisley
Naomi Long  Mel Stride

1. Future Programme

The Committee considered this matter.

2. Air passenger duty: implications for Northern Ireland

The Committee considered this matter.

Mr John Doran, Managing Director, Belfast International Airport, and Mr Brian Ambrose, Chief Executive, George Best Belfast City Airport, gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till Wednesday 22 June at 2.15 p.m.

Wednesday 22 June 2011

Members present:

Mr Laurence Robertson, in the Chair

Oliver Colvile  Naomi Long
Mr Stephen Hepburn  Dr Alasdair McDonnell
Kate Hoey  Mel Stride
1. **Future Programme**

The Committee considered this matter.

2. **Work of the Historical Enquiries Team**

The Committee considered this matter.

3. **Air passenger duty: implications for Northern Ireland**

The Committee considered this matter.

Mr David Thomson, Deputy Secretary, Policy Group, Department of Enterprise, Trade and Investment, Northern Ireland Executive; Ms Antoinette McKeown, Chief Executive, and Mr Aodhan O’Donnell, Director of Policy and Education, the Consumer Council for Northern Ireland; Mr Huw Hopkins, Manager, Industry and Government Affairs, British Midland International, Mr Paul Simmons, UK Director, easyJet, and Mr Niall Duffy, Head of Public Affairs, Flybe, gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till Wednesday 29 June at 1.00 p.m.

**Wednesday 29 June 2011**

Members present:

Mr Laurence Robertson, in the Chair

Mr Joe Benton  
Oliver Colville  
Lady Hermon  
Kate Hoey  
Dr Alasdair McDonnell  
Ian Paisley  
David Simpson  
Mel Stride

1. **Historical Enquiries Team**

The Committee considered this matter.

2. **Air passenger duty: implications for Northern Ireland**
The Committee considered this matter.

Mr Conor McAuliffe, MD, Europe and Industry Affairs, and Mr Bob Schumacher, MD, Sales, UK and Ireland, Continental Airlines; Ms Janice Gault, Chief Executive, Northern Ireland Hotels Federation; Mr Jeff Gazzard, Board Member, Aviation Environment Federation; Justine Greening MP, Economic Secretary, and Ms Shona Riach, Deputy Director, Environment Tax, HM Treasury, gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till Tuesday 5 July at 2.15 p.m.

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**Tuesday 5 July 2011**

Members present:

Mr Laurence Robertson, in the Chair

Mr Joe Benton  
Oliver Colville  
Stephen Hepburn  
Kate Hoey

Dr Alasdair McDonnell  
David Simpson  
Gavin Williamson

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1. **Appointment of Specialist Adviser**

*Ordered*, That Mr David Watkins be appointed as a Specialist Adviser to assist the Committee.

2. **Future Programme**

*Resolved*, That Mr Joe Benton and Jack Lopresti be given leave to visit Belfast in a representative capacity to observe the PSNI’s policing operation.

*Resolved*, That the Chair have leave to visit Northern Ireland in a representative capacity during the Summer Adjournment to meet various organisations.

*Resolved*, That the Committee inquire into cross-border energy issues.
Resolved, That the Committee visit Dublin in November in connection with its inquiries into fuel laundering and smuggling and cross-border energy issues, and that the Chair seek the approval of the Liaison Committee for expenditure in connection with the visit.

3. Air Passenger Duty: implications for Northern Ireland

Draft Report (Air Passenger Duty: implications for Northern Ireland), proposed by the Chairman, brought up and read.

The draft Report was amended and agreed to; the Formal Minutes relating to the consideration of the Report are published in the Second Report of the Committee, HC 1227.

[The Committee adjourned to a date and time to be fixed by the Chair.

**Monday 11 July – Tuesday 12 July**

*Mr Joe Benton and Jack Lopresti visited Belfast to observe the PSNI’s policing operation in a representative capacity, in accordance with the Committee’s decision of 5 July.*

**Wednesday 7 September 2011**

Members present:

Mr Laurence Robertson, in the Chair

- Mr Joe Benton
- Oliver Colvile
- Lady Hermon
- Naomi Long
- Jack Lopresti
- Dr Alasdair McDonnell
- David Simpson
- Mel Stride

1. NIO Annual Report 2010/11

The Committee considered this matter.

2. Fuel laundering and smuggling

The Committee considered this matter.
3. Human trafficking

The Committee considered this matter.

4. Visit by the NI Assembly and Business Trust, 14 September 2011

The Committee considered this matter.

5. “Parliament week” event, 3 November 2011

The Committee considered this matter.

Resolved, That the Chair have leave to visit Londonderry to attend the Parliament Week event in a representative capacity.

6. Visit to Dublin, 8–9 November 2011

The Committee considered this matter.

7. Government responses to the Committee’s Reports on Corporation tax and on Air passenger duty

The Committee considered this matter.

8. Meeting of the NI Grand Committee, 1 November 2011

The Committee considered this matter.

[Adjourned till Wednesday 14 September at 3.30pm.

Wednesday 14 September 2011

Members present:

Mr Laurence Robertson, in the Chair

Mr Joe Benton  Ian Paisley
Oliver Colvile  David Simpson
Lady Hermon  Mel Stride
Jack Lopresti  Gavin Williamson
Dr Alasdair McDonnell

1. Fuel laundering and smuggling (i)
The Committee considered this matter.

Ordered, That the following written evidence relating to Fuel laundering and smuggling be reported to the House for publication on the internet:

- Michael McEneaney (Fuel 01)
- HM Revenue and Customs (Fuel 03)
- Japan Tobacco International (Fuel 05)
- PSNI (Fuel 06)

Oliver Colvile declared a non-pecuniary interest in relation to the Committee’s inquiry into fuel laundering and smuggling having attended a cricket Test Match as a guest of Japan Tobacco International, who have submitted evidence to the Committee.

Ian Paisley declared a non-pecuniary interest in relation to the Committee’s inquiry into fuel laundering and smuggling having previously been a member of the Organised Crime Task Force and, in that capacity, having worked alongside some of the witnesses to the inquiry.

2. “Parliament week” event, 3 November 2011

The Committee considered this matter.

Resolved, Joe Benton have leave to visit Londonderry to attend the Parliament Week event in a representative capacity.

3. Air passenger duty: implications for NI

The Committee considered this matter.

4. Fuel laundering and smuggling (ii)

The Committee considered this matter.

Mike Norgrove CBE, Director of Excise, Customs, Stamps and Money, John Whiting, Chair, Cross Border Fuel Fraud Enforcement Group, Alan Lee, Regional Director for HMRC Criminal Investigation, and Pat Curtis, Senior Officer, HM Revenue and Customs, gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till Wednesday 12 October at 2.15pm.

Wednesday 19 October 2011

Members present:

Mr Laurence Robertson, in the Chair
1. Air passenger duty

The Committee considered this matter.

2. Aggregates Levy Credit Scheme for NI

The Committee considered this matter.

3. Invitation from the Flemish Parliament

The Committee considered this matter.

4. “Parliament week” event, 3 November 2011

The Committee considered this matter.

Resolved, That Mr Stephen Hepburn have leave to visit Londonderry to attend the Parliament Week event in a representative capacity.

5. Meeting of the NI Grand Committee, 1 November 2011

The Committee considered this matter.

6. Fuel laundering and smuggling

The Committee considered this matter.

Resolved, That the Committee take part of the evidence to be given by Paul Williams, UK Head of Corporate Affairs, and Steve Payne, Anti Illicit Trade Government Relations Director, Japan Tobacco International and Tom O’Carroll, Director of Corporate Affairs, Calor Gas NI Ltd, at this day’s sitting in private.
Paul Williams, UK Head of Corporate Affairs, and Steve Payne, Anti Illicit Trade Government Relations Director, Japan Tobacco International, and Tom O’Carroll, Director of Corporate Affairs, Calor Gas NI Ltd, gave oral evidence in public.

The public withdrew, in accordance with the Committee’s Resolution of this day’s sitting.

Paul Williams, UK Head of Corporate Affairs, and Steve Payne, Anti Illicit Trade Government Relations Director, Japan Tobacco International and Tom O’Carroll, Director of Corporate Affairs, Calor Gas NI Ltd, gave oral evidence in private.

[Adjourned till Wednesday 26 October at 2.15pm.

Wednesday 26 October 2011

Members present:

Mr Laurence Robertson, in the Chair
Oliver Colvile
Stephen Hepburn
Lady Hermon
Naomi Long
Jack Lopresti
Mel Stride

1. Membership of the Committee
The Committee considered this matter.

2. Fuel laundering and smuggling
The Committee considered this matter.

3. Historical Enquiries Team
The Committee considered this matter.

4. Air passenger duty
The Committee considered this matter.

5. Meeting of the NI Grand Committee, 1 November 2011
The Committee considered this matter.
6. "Parliament week" event, 3 November 2011

The Committee considered this matter.

Resolved, That the Committee visit Londonderry to attend the Parliament week event.

7. Visit to Dublin, 8 and 9 November

The Committee considered this matter.

[Adjourned till Wednesday 23 November at 2.15pm.]
Wednesday 2 November – Thursday 3 November

The Chair, Mr David Anderson, Mr Joe Benton, Mr Stephen Hepburn and Jack Lopresti visited Londonderry to attend the Parliament Week event, in accordance with the Committee’s decision of 26 October.

Tuesday 8 November – Wednesday 9 November

The Chair, Oliver Colvile, Mr Stephen Hepburn, Jack Lopresti, Dr Alasdair McDonnell and Ian Paisley visited Dublin in connection with the Committee’s inquiries into fuel laundering and smuggling and cross-border energy issues, in accordance with the Committee’s decision of 5 July.

Wednesday 23 November 2011

Members present:

Mr Laurence Robertson, in the Chair

Mr David Anderson     Kate Hoey
Oliver Colvile          Dr Alasdair McDonnell
Stephen Hepburn       Ian Paisley
Lady Hermon

1.  Declaration of interests

Mr David Anderson declared his interests, in accordance with the Resolution of the House of 13 July 1992, as follows:

Gifts, benefits and hospitality (UK)
Name of donor: Grand Central Railway Company
Address of donor : 17 Museum St, York YO1 7DJ
Amount of donation or nature and value if donation in kind: first class rail travel pass;
estimated value up to £5,000 a year
Date of receipt of donation: 3 January 2011
Date of acceptance of donation: 3 January 2011
Donor status: company, registration number 3979826
(Registered 12 May 2011)

2.  The NIO’s Annual Report and Accounts 2010/11
The Committee considered this matter.

Ordered, that the letter relating to the NIO’s Annual Report and Accounts 2010/11 submitted by the Secretary of State be reported to the House for publication on the internet.

3. Fuel laundering and smuggling

Ordered, that the following written evidence relating to Fuel laundering and smuggling be reported to the House for publication on the internet:

- HM Revenue and Customs (Fuel 07)
- RMI Independent Petrol Retailers Association (Fuel 08)
- Department of Justice NI (Fuel 11)
- Department of the Environment NI (Fuel 12)

4. The Committee’s future programme

The Committee considered this matter.

5. Evidence from the Secretary of State

The Committee considered this matter.

[Adjourned till Wednesday 30 November at 2.15 p.m.

Wednesday 30 November 2011

Members present:

Mr Laurence Robertson, in the Chair

Mr Joe Benton            Jack Lopresti
Oliver Colvile           Dr Alasdair McDonnell
Lady Hermon              Nigel Mills
Kate Hoey                Ian Paisley
Kris Hopkins             David Simpson
Naomi Long

1. Declaration of interests

Members declared further interests, in accordance with the Resolution of the House of 13 July 1992 (see Appendix A).
2. Fuel laundering and smuggling

The Committee considered this matter.

3. Meetings in Northern Ireland

The Committee considered this matter.

Resolved, That the Committee visit Northern Ireland in February in connection with its work.

4. Topical oral questions

The Committee considered this matter.

5. Political developments in Northern Ireland

The Committee considered this matter.

Rt Hon Owen Paterson MP, Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, Alan Whysall, Deputy Director, Constitutional and Political Group, and Mark Larmour, Deputy Director, Security and Legacy Group, Northern Ireland Office, gave oral evidence in public.

[Adjourned till Wednesday 7 December at 2.15pm.]
Wednesday 7 December 2011

Members present:

Mr Laurence Robertson, in the Chair

Mr David Anderson  Naomi Long
Mr Joe Benton       Jack Lopresti
Oliver Colvile     Dr Alasdair McDonnell
Lady Hermon         Nigel Mills
Kate Hoey           Ian Paisley
Kris Hopkins        David Simpson

1. Fuel laundering and smuggling

The Committee considered this matter.

Ordered, That the following written evidence relating to Fuel laundering and smuggling be reported to the House for publication on the internet:

The Consumer Council (Fuel 13)

2. Meetings in Northern Ireland

The Committee considered this matter.

3. British-Irish Parliamentary Assembly (BIPA)

The Committee considered this matter.

4. Political developments in Northern Ireland

The Committee considered this matter.

Assistant Chief Constable Drew Harris OBE, Crime Operations Department, and Detective Chief Superintendent Roy McComb, Head of the Organised Crime Branch, PSNI and Bob Lauder, Deputy Director, Scotland and Northern Ireland Network, Operational Delivery Group, SOCA, gave oral evidence in public.

[Adjourned till Wednesday 14 December at 2.15pm.]
Wednesday 14 December 2011

Members present:

Mr Laurence Robertson, in the Chair

Mr David Anderson  Naomi Long
Oliver Colvile  Nigel Mills
Lady Hermon  Ian Paisley
Kate Hoey  David Simpson
Kris Hopkins

1. Fuel laundering and smuggling

The Committee considered this matter.

Bill Williamson, Acting Director of Excise, Customs, Stamps and Money, Alan Lee, Regional Director for Criminal Investigation, John Whiting, Assistant Director for Criminal Investigation, and Pat Curtis, Senior Officer, HM Revenue and Customs, gave oral evidence in public.

[Adjourned till Wednesday 11 January at 2.15pm.

Wednesday 11 January 2012

Members present:

Mr Laurence Robertson, in the Chair

Mr David Anderson  Naomi Long
Mr Joe Benton  Jack Lopresti
Oliver Colvile  Dr Alasdair McDonnell
Mr Stephen Hepburn  Nigel Mills
Kate Hoey  Ian Paisley
Kris Hopkins  David Simpson

1. Topical Questions

The Committee considered this matter.

2. Fuel laundering and smuggling
The Committee considered this matter.

Barra McGrory QC, Director of Public Prosecutions, and Stephen Herron, Assistant Director of Fraud and Departmental Section, Public Prosecution Service for Northern Ireland, gave oral evidence in public.

[Adjourned till Wednesday 18 January at 4.00 p.m.]
Wednesday 18 January 2012

Members present:

Mr Laurence Robertson, in the Chair

Mr David Anderson  Naomi Long
Mr Joe Benton      Jack Lopresti
Oliver Colvile    Dr Alasdair McDonnell
Lady Hermon       Nigel Mills
Kate Hoey         Ian Paisley
Kris Hopkins      David Simpson


Draft Special Report (Corporation Tax in Northern Ireland: Government Response to the Committee’s First Report), proposed by the Chairman, brought up, read the first and second time and agreed to.

The Government’s response to the Committee’s First Report was appended to the Report.

Resolved, That the Report be the First Special Report of the Committee to the House.

Ordered, That the Chairman make the Report to the House.

2. Fuel laundering and smuggling

The Committee considered this matter.

Ordered, That the written evidence relating to Fuel laundering and smuggling, submitted by the Fuel Oils Liaison Forum, be reported to the House for publication on the internet.

3. Visit to Northern Ireland (Lisburn, Belfast and Omagh) 1-3 February

The Committee considered this matter.

4. Fuel laundering and smuggling

Alex Attwood MLA, Minister of the Environment, Northern Ireland Executive and Anne Blacker, Head of the Environmental Crime Unit, Northern Ireland Environment Agency and from David Ford MLA, Minister of Justice, Northern Ireland Executive and Simon Rogers, Deputy Director of Protection and Organised Crime Division, Safer Communities Directorate, Department of Justice, gave oral evidence in public.

[Adjourned till Wednesday 25 January at 2.15 p.m.]
Wednesday 25 January 2012

Members present:

Mr Laurence Robertson, in the Chair

Oliver Colville        Naomi Long
Stephen Hepburn       Jack Lopresti
Lady Hermon           Dr Alasdair McDonnell
Kate Hoey             Nigel Mills
Kris Hopkins

1. **Visit to Northern Ireland (Lisburn, Belfast and Omagh) 1-3 February**

The Committee considered this matter.

2. **Attendance at Committee meetings**

The Committee considered this matter.

3. **Fuel laundering and smuggling**

Miss Chloe Smith MP, Economic Secretary, HM Treasury, and Bill Williamson, Acting Director, Excise, Customs, Stamps and Money, and John Whiting, Assistant Director, Criminal Investigation, HM Revenue and Customs, gave oral evidence in public.

[Adjourned till Wednesday 8 February at 2.15 p.m.]

Monday 1 – Wednesday 3 February 2012

*The Chair, Mr David Anderson, Mr Joe Benton, Oliver Colville, Mr Stephen Hepburn, Kris Hopkins, Jack Lopresti, Dr Alasdair McDonnell, Nigel Mills and Ian Paisley visited Northern Ireland in connection with its work, in accordance with the Committee’s decision of 30 November.*
Wednesday 8 February 2012

Members present:

Mr Laurence Robertson, in the Chair

Mr David Anderson  Kris Hopkins
Mr Joe Benton  Naomi Long
Oliver Colvile  Dr Alasdair McDonnell
Mr Stephen Hepburn  Nigel Mills
Lady Hermon  David Simpson
Kate Hoey

1.  Lord Bannside

Resolved, That the Chair write to Ian Paisley MP to express the Committee’s good wishes to him and his family.— (Lady Hermon)

2.  Visit to Northern Ireland (Lisburn, Belfast and Omagh) 1-3 February

The Committee considered this matter.

3.  Fuel laundering and smuggling

The Committee considered this matter.

4.  The Committee’s future programme

Resolved, That the Committee inquire into an air strategy for Northern Ireland

[Adjourned till Wednesday 7 March at 2.15 p.m.]

Wednesday 7 March 2012

Members present:

Mr Laurence Robertson, in the Chair

Mr David Anderson  Naomi Long
Oliver Colvile  Dr Alasdair McDonnell
Mr Stephen Hepburn  Nigel Mills
Lady Hermon  Ian Paisley
Kate Hoey  David Simpson
Kris Hopkins
1. **Fuel laundering and smuggling**

The Committee considered this matter.

2. **Decade of centenaries**

The Committee considered this matter.

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**Tuesday 20 March 2012**

Members present:

Mr Laurence Robertson, in the Chair

- Oliver Colvile
- Lady Hermon
- Kate Hoey
- Kris Hopkins
- Naomi Long
- Jack Lopresti
- Nigel Mills
- Ian Paisley

1. **Fuel laundering and smuggling**

Draft Report (*Fuel laundering and smuggling in Northern Ireland*), proposed by the Chairman, brought up and read.

*The draft Report was agreed to; the Formal Minutes relating to the consideration of the Report are published in the Third Report of the Committee, HC 1504.*

*Resolved, That the Chair have leave to visit Northern Ireland on 26 March 2012 for the purposes of the Committee’s inquiry into Fuel laundering and smuggling in Northern Ireland.*

2. **Historical Enquiries Team**

The Committee considered this matter.

3. **Peace Process Layers of Meaning Project**
The Committee considered this matter.

4. A Bill of Rights for Northern Ireland

The Committee considered this matter.

5. Select committee powers and effectiveness – submission to the Liaison Committee

The Committee considered this matter.

[Adjourned till tomorrow at 2.45 p.m.

Wednesday 21 March 2012

Members present:

Mr Laurence Robertson, in the Chair

Oliver Colvile  
Mr Stephen Hepburn  
Lady Hermon  
Kate Hoey  
Kris Hopkins

Naomi Long  
Jack Lopresti  
Nigel Mills  
David Simpson

1. The decade of centenaries

Rt Hon Hugo Swire MP, Minister of State for Northern Ireland, and Mary Madden, Deputy Director, Constitutional and Political Group, Northern Ireland Office, gave oral evidence in public.

2. Historical Enquiries Team

The Committee considered this matter.

3. An air transport strategy for Northern Ireland

Resolved, That the Committee visit Northern Ireland in April, in connection with its inquiry into an air transport strategy for Northern Ireland.
Monday 26 March

The Chair visited Belfast in a representative capacity in connection with the Committee’s inquiry into Fuel laundering and smuggling in Northern Ireland, in accordance with the Committee’s decision of 20 March.

Wednesday 18 April 2012

Members present:

Mr Laurence Robertson, in the Chair

Mr David Anderson  Naomi Long
Oliver Colvile       Jack Lopresti
Mr Stephen Hepburn  Dr Alasdair McDonnell
Lady Hermon         Nigel Mills
Kate Hoey           Ian Paisley
Kris Hopkins        David Simpson

1. **An air transport strategy for NI / next visit to NI**

   The Committee considered this matter.

2. **An air transport strategy for NI**

   Ordered, That the following written evidence relating to an air transport strategy for Northern Ireland be reported to the House for publication on the internet:

   - The Consumer Council (AS01)
   - Mr Basil Hutton (AS02)
   - Belfast City Airport Watch (AS03)
   - Ms Sheila Bradley (AS04)
   - Carolyn Gibody, Chair, LVG residents' association (AS05)
   - Mr A R Hobson (AS06)
   - ABTA (AS07)
   - Department for Transport (AS08)
3. **Fuel laundering and smuggling in Northern Ireland**

The Committee considered this matter.

3. **UK City of Culture 2013**

The Committee considered this matter.

[Adjourned till Monday 23 April at 1.45 p.m [in the Senate Chamber, Parliament Buildings, Stormont].]
Monday 23 and Tuesday 24 April

The Chair, Mr David Anderson, Lady Hermon, Kris Hopkins, Naomi Long, Jack Lopresti, Dr Alasdair McDonnelly, Nigel Mills, Ian Paisley and David Simpson visited Belfast in connection with the Committee’s inquiry into an air transport strategy for Northern Ireland and other matters, in accordance with the Committee’s decision of 21 March.

Monday 23 April 2012

The Committee met in the Senate Chamber, Parliament Buildings, Stormont

Members present:

Mr Laurence Robertson, in the Chair

Mr David Anderson
Lady Hermon
Kris Hopkins
Naomi Long
Dr Alasdair McDonnell
Nigel Mills
David Simpson

1. An air transport strategy for NI (i)

The Committee considered this matter.

Ordered, That the written evidence relating to An air transport strategy for Northern Ireland submitted by the City of Derry Airport (AS 09) be reported to the House for publication on the internet.

2. An air transport strategy for NI (ii)

Mr John Doran, Managing Director, Belfast International Airport; from Mr Brian Ambrose, Chief Executive, George Best Belfast City Airport; and from Mr Damien Tierney, Managing Director, City of Derry Airport, Mr Clive Coleman, Technical Director, Parsons Brinckerhoff and Mr Albert Harrison OBE, Non-executive Director, City of Derry Airport, gave oral evidence in public.

Adjourned till Wednesday 16 May at 2.15 p.m.
DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS’ INTERESTS

27 July 2010: declaration of Members’ interests

Mr Laurence Robertson (Chair):
Remunerated employment, office, profession etc: Consultant to Westminster Parliamentary Research LLP, 34 Smith Square, London SW1P 3HL. (£5,001-£10,000) (Consultancy ended June 2010.)
Received payment of £833.33. Hours: 8hrs. (Registered 17 August 2009).
Received payment of £833.33. Hours: 8 hrs. (Registered 28 August 2009)
Received payment of £833.33 on 23 September 2009. Hours: 8hrs. (Registered 22 October 2009)
Received payment of £833.33 on 30 October 2009. Hours: 8 hrs. (Registered 24 November 2009)
Received payment of £833.33 on 2 December 2009. Hours: 8hrs. (Registered 4 December 2009)
Received payment of £833.33 on 4 January 2010. Hours: 8hrs. (Registered 15 January 2010)
Received payment of £1,666.67 on 16 March 2010 for consultancy services provided in January and February 2010. Hours: 16hrs. (Registered 25 March 2010)
Received payment of £833.33 on 10 May 2010. (Registered 30 June 2010)
ComRes, Four Millbank, London SW1P 3JA:
Received £75 received for taking part in a panel survey. Hours: 20 Minutes. (Registered 24 August 2009)
Received £75 for completing a survey, 2 December 2009. Hours: 20 minutes. (Registered 4 December 2009)
Received £75 for completing a survey, 12 January 2010. Hours: 20 minutes. (Registered 15 January 2010)
Received £75 for completing a survey, 15 March 2010. Hours: 20 minutes. (Registered 25 March 2010)
Received £75 for taking part in a survey. Hours: 20 minutes. (Registered 30 June 2010)
BPRI, 24-28 Bloomsbury Way, London, WC1A 2PX:
Received £75 for taking part in a survey. Hours: 20 minutes. (Registered 27 August 2008)
Received £75 for taking part in a survey, 24 November 2009. Hours: 20 minutes. (Registered 24 November 2009)
Received £75 for completing a survey, 30 March 2010. Hours: 20 minutes. (Registered 30 March 2010)
Received £150 for face-to-face survey, 3 March 2010. Address: Market Opinion Research, 79-81 Borough Road, London, SE1 1FY. Hours: 1 hr. (Registered 5 March 2010)
Overseas visits
Name of donor: Conservative Africa Business Group (funded for this purpose by Eagle Scientific Ltd). Address of donor: Eagle Scientific Ltd, Regent House, Lenton Street, Sandiacre, Nottingham, NG10 5DJ
Amount of donation (or estimate of the probable value): £1,572.95 (hotel and flights for myself and my partner).

Destination of visit: Ghana
Date of visit: 16–19 November 2009
Purpose of visit: to hold meetings to help promote British business in Ghana  

Employment of family members: I employ my wife, Susan Robertson (from whom I am separated) as Senior Secretary. I employ my partner, Anne Marie Adams, as Senior Secretary.

Mr Joe Benton:
Nil.
Employment of family members: I employ my wife, Doris Benton, as a Senior Secretary.

Oliver Colvile:
Shareholdings: Polity Communications Ltd; advises organisations on community consultation relating to regeneration projects within the UK.

Mr Stephen Hepburn:
Sponsorships: Donations to my constituency party or association, which have been or will be reported by my party to the Electoral Commission:
Name of donor: UCATT
Address of donor: 177 Abbeville Road, London SW4 9RL
Amount of donation or nature and value if donation in kind: £2,000
Donor status: trade union
(Registered 10 June 2010)

Lady Sylvia Hermon:
Nil.

Ian Lavery:
Nil.

Naomi Long:
Remunerated employment, office, profession etc
Member of Northern Ireland Assembly, Parliament Buildings, Stormont BT4 3XX
Salary payment of £2,132.95 (gross) for May 2010. Hours: 140 hrs. (Registered 4 June 2010)
Salary payment of £1,169.50 (gross) for June 2010. Hours: 110 hrs.
Salary payment of £110.30 (gross) for July 2010. Hours: 9hrs.

**Resigned as Member of Northern Ireland Assembly with effect 5th July 2010.
Elected member of Belfast City Council, City Hall, Belfast BT1 5GS
Salary payment of £811.50 (gross) for May 2010. Hours: 120 hrs.
Salary payment of £811.50 (gross) for June 2010. Hours: 60 hrs.
Salary payment of £811.50 (gross) for July 2010. Hours: 35 hrs.
Salary payment of £811.50 (gross) for August 2010. Hours: 20 hrs.
Reimbursement to Council of £77.10 for period 25th – 31st August.
**Resigned as Member of Belfast City Council with effect 25th August 2010.**

**Jack Lopresti:**
Remunerated employment, office, profession etc: Member of Territorial Army Reserve Forces.
Sponsorships: Donations to my constituency party or association, which have been or will be reported by my party to the Electoral Commission:
Name of donor: Cllr John Goodwin
Address of donor: private
Amount of donation or nature and value if in kind: 2 donations; total £1,750
Donor status: individual (Registered 9 June 2010)
Name of donor: Mr R C Griffin
Address of donor: private
Amount of donation or nature and value if donation in kind: £2,000
Donor status: individual (Registered 9 June 2010)

**Dr Alasdair McDonnell:**
Remunerated employment, office, profession etc: Member of the Northern Ireland Assembly, Parliament Buildings, Stormont, Belfast.
July 2009, received salary payment of £596 net: £1,197.25 (gross). Hours: 200 approx. (Registered 23 February 2010)
August 2009, received salary payment of £596 net: £1,197.25 (gross). Hours: 200 approx. (Registered 23 February 2010)
September 2009, received salary payment of £596 net: £1,197.25 (gross). Hours: 200 approx. (Registered 23 February 2010)
October 2009, received salary payment of £596 net: £1,197.25 (gross). Hours: 200 approx. (Registered 23 February 2010)
November 2009, received salary payment of £596 net: £1,197.25 (gross). Hours: 200 approx. (Registered 23 February 2010)
December 2009, received salary payment of £596 net: £1,197.25 (gross). Hours: 200 approx. (Registered 23 February 2010)
January 2010, received salary payment of £596 net: £1,197.25 (gross). Hours: 200 approx. (Registered 23 February 2010)
February 2010, received salary payment of £596 net: £1,197.25 (gross). Hours: 200 approx. (Registered 9 June 2010)
Sponsorships:
Name of donor: Heron Brothers Limited (building and civil engineering)
Address of donor: 2 St Patrick’s St, Draperstown, Co Londonderry, BT45 7AL
Amount of donation or nature and value if donation in kind: £3,500
Date of receipt: 23 November 2009
Date of acceptance: 24 November 2009
Donor status: company, registration number NI 016051 (Registered 11 December 2009)
Land and property:
Smallholding/farm in Co Antrim, from which rental income is received.
House in Belfast, from which rental income is received.
Part-owner of Ormeau Health Centre and adjacent property, Lower Ormeau Road, Belfast, from which rental income is received. See Registrable shareholdings below.
Holiday house in Glenarth, Co Antrim, currently being refurbished and from which rental income is not currently received.
Registrable shareholdings: Arrow Travel, Belfast; Medevol (a small clinical trials company); Ormeau Health Centre (see Land and property above).

**Ian Paisley Junior:**
Remunerated employment, office, profession etc: Member of Legislative Assembly of Northern Ireland (until June 2010).

Member of the Apprentice Boys of Derry.

**Stephen Pound:**
Remunerated employment, office, profession etc.
Received payment of £3,000 (before tax) for four articles written for the Sun newspaper between December 2009 and January 2010. Address: 1 Virginia Street, London E98 1SN. Hrs: 10 hrs. (Registered 8 January 2010)
Payments from British Sky Broadcasting Ltd, Accounts Payable Department, 1 Macintosh Road, Kirkton Campus, Livingston, West Lothian, EH54 7BW:
Received payment of £150 for newspaper reviews. Hours: 3 hrs. (Registered 14 January 2010)
Received payment of £100 for appearance on Sky News. Hours: 3 hrs. Payment donated to charity. (Registered 12 February 2010)
Received payment of £100 for appearance on Sky News on 7 February 2010. Hours: 3 hrs. (Registered 1 March 2010)
Employment of family members: I employ my wife, Maggie Pound, as Constituency caseworker.

Member of the Knights of Colombus.

**David Simpson:**
Received £1,000 net for August. Hours: 12hrs. (Registered 4 September 2009).
Received £3,000 quarterly payment in December 2009. Hours: 12hrs. (Registered 4 January 2010)
Received £3,000 quarterly payment in June 2010. Hours: 36 hrs. (Registered 29 June 2010)
Remunerated employment, office, profession etc: Councillor, Craigavon Borough Council, Lakeview Road, Craigavon. As of 9 June 2010. I have resigned from the council.
31 July 2009, received salary payment of £486.15 (net figure). Hours: 20hrs. (Registered 29 July 2009)
Received £486 net salary payment for August. Hours: 20hrs. (Registered 4 September 2009)
September 2009, received £486 net salary payment. Hours: 20hrs. (Registered 7 October 2009)

October 2009, received £486 net salary payment. Hours: 40hrs. (Registered 2 November 2009)

November 2009, received £486 net salary payment. Hours: 40hrs. (Registered 2 December 2009)

December 2009, received £447. Hours: 40hrs. (Registered 4 January 2010)

January 2010, received £447.55. Hours: 40hrs. (Registered 29 January 2010)

May 2010, received £486.15. Hours: 20hrs. (Registered 28 May 2010)

Member of the Northern Ireland Assembly, Stormont, Belfast. As of 1 July 2010 I have resigned from the Assembly.

29 July 2009, received salary payment of £609.07 (net figure). Hours: 20hrs. (Registered 29 July 2009)

Received August salary payment of £595 net. Hours: 20hrs. (Registered 4 September 2009)

September 2009, received salary payment of £596 net. Hours: 30hrs. (Registered 7 October 2009)

October 2009, received salary payment of £596 net. Hours: 200hrs. (Registered 2 November 2009)

November 2009, received payment of £596 net. Hours: 200hrs. (Registered 2 December 2009)

December 2009, received payment of £596 net. Hours: 200hrs. (Registered 4 January 2010)

June 2010, received payment of £596. Hours: 200hrs.

Land and Property
Farmlands, 17 Derryloose Road, Annaghmore, Portadown, BT62 1LY. Rental income received.
Farmlands, Derryhirk Road, Dungannon. Rental income received.

**Mel Stride:**

Sponsorships: donations to the constituency party or association, which have been or will be reported by the party to the Electoral Commission:

Name of donor: Mrs Sue Green
Address of donor: private
Amount of donation or nature and value if donation in kind: £3,500
Donor status: individual
(Registered 1 June 2010)

Name of donor: Association of Conservative Clubs Ltd
Address of donor: 24 Old Queen St, London SW1H 9HP
Amount of donation or nature and value if donation in kind: £3,000
Donor status: company
(Registered 1 June 2010)

Name of donor: United and Cecil Club
Address of donor: 18 Thorney Lane, North Iver, Bucks, SL0 9JY
Amount of donation or nature and value if donation in kind: £2,000
Donor status: unincorporated association
(Registered 1 June 2010)
Name of donor: Exeter Constitutional Trust  
Address of donor: Orchard House, The Maltings, Penton lane, Crediton, Devon, EX17 1HT  
Amount of donation or nature and value if donation in kind: £2,000  
Donor status: trust  
(Registered 1 June 2010)  
Shareholdings: Venture Marketing Group Ltd (publisher, organiser of exhibitions and conferences)

Gavin Williamson:  
Renumerated employment, office, profession etc: Business adviser to NPS Property Consultants Ltd, Lancaster House, 16 Central Avenue, St Andrews Business Park, Norwich; architectural design and property management. £4,700 per annum for 90 hours work per year.  
Shareholdings: Hudsons Fine Bone China; pottery manufacturer.

24 November 2010

Kate Hoey:  
Sponsorships: Donations to my constituency party or association, which have been or will be reported by my party to the Electoral Commission:  
Name of donor: Fire Brigade Union  
Address of donor: Bradley House, 68 Coombe Road Kingston Upon Thames Surrey KT2 7AE  
Amount of donation or nature and value if donation in kind: £2,000  
Donor status: trade union  
(Registered 14 June 2010)

Name of donor: RMT Union  
Address of donor: Unity House 39 Chilton street London NW1 1JD  
Amount of donation or nature and value if donation in kind: £2,000  
Donor status: trade union  
(Registered 14 June 2010)

Name of donor: CWU Union  
Address of donor: 150 The Broadway Wimbledon London SW19 1RX  
Amount of donation or nature and value if donation in kind: £2,000  
Donor status: trade union  
(Registered 14 June 2010)

Miscellaneous: Chairman of the Countryside Alliance.

30 November 2011

Kris Hopkins:  
Gifts, benefits and hospitality (UK) Name of donor: Grand Central Railway Company Ltd  
Address of donor: River House, 17 Museum Street, York YO1 7DJ
Amount of donation or nature and value if donation in kind: complimentary first class pass valid for travel on Grand Central services, expiry 31 December 2011. The value of the pass is approximately £4,000. Without the pass, part of the travel costs would be met from parliamentary allowances.
Date of receipt of donation: 4 June 2010
Date of acceptance of donation: 4 June 2010
Donor status: company, registration 03979826
(Registered 9 November 2010)

Former member of H.M. Forces

Nigel Mills:
Overseas visits

Name of donor: Voluntary Service Overseas (VSO)
Address of donor: Carlton House, 27A Carlton Drive, London SW15 2BS
Amount of donation (or estimate of the probable value): VSO funded flights costing £680 and accommodation including hotels and in a private house. The value of the hotel stays was approximately £200. VSO also provided meals and a per diem allowance totalling approximately £250; total £1,130
Destination of visit: Tajikistan
Date of visit: 21 September-6 October 2011
Purpose of visit: VSO Parliamentary Volunteer Scheme, visiting Tajikistan to consider potential reforms that could help increase investment.
(Registered 21 October 2011)

Land and Property
Residential property in Nottingham, from which rental income is received.

Miscellaneous
Elected councilor on Amber Valley Borough Council, Town Hall, Market Place, Ripley DE5 3FG. I ceased claiming an allowance from 6 May 2010.

APPENDIX B

DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS’ INTERESTS

4 August 2010

Mr David Watkins:
Nil.