

19-3-20

11.30

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Intro

Health emergency

Economic "

Not business as usual

Not normal times

Work together

Community confidence.

Need to be able to answer questions on everything.

Huge burden on DfH - Robin

shouldn't be handling by himself.

Need to be agile.

Need to manage, think outside box

If Wind not available, how do we handle?

HCS - Exec crisis manage^m

Rhythm.

All have families.

1st COVID death this morning.

Public concern

① Minutes

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Agreed?

Yes

② M.A.

dfm - letter from Speaker

- Sp note.

Fmt 1 - oral state^m every Mon.

Respond before Mon to Speaker

DOJ

Contacted Speaker re Mon -
asked if we could answer oral Qs -
written [I.

Speaker content, colleagues happy
with approach?

Asked colleagues to stop submitting
written Qs.

Gather ~~per~~ Qs at party level -
work at [SPAD] / official level.

Assembly Chamber

- MLAs - to stay in office, only
go to Chamber for relevant business
Maybe one person asking all
party Qs.

Open lobby

Reduce face to face contact in
chamber

Content for me to proceed?

Speaker happy with pro-active
Exec approach.

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Chamber?

DOJ

Continue to work from home -

DOF

Helpful from Assembly - mature.
MLAs want to demonstrate they
are active.

Media can be informed, but
MLAs need to be given their
place - commun. strategy

Practical social distancing.

Hopefully Business Comm will look at ways to manage.

Look at arrange^{ment} - v unusual times.
Need community/population to change behaviour - we have to show we are leading by example.

Huge strain on dept staff - Qs.

DE

Sensible - voting.

Members motion

Only bus. requiring vote = legis.

Can't see any particular division.
Chief Whip voting on behalf of party.

dFw1

Response to Speaker

- daily briefing to Hs
- Social distancing
- Communications

DOJ

Vote/challenge re complaints

Shower facilities at work (eg)

How to find info without bombarding depts.

Info to share

Don't want to focus always on comms.

Easily shared on social media

dFw1

Ask NI Direct to pick up on this.

COVID

DOH

1st death today.
Elderly man, underlying condition.
160 tests last night - 9 pos.
Normal % of pos.
In-house - key workers
Mass testing
Randox test - not certified by
NICE.

DOJ

Bureaucracy

DOH

Concentration on getting workers
back in place.
[] Sustainable.
Health service under pressure
3 months ago, now much worse.
Army
Contact tracing
Serious pressure
Gazumped by [], going
elsewhere.
Still finding [], making sure
people have [].
Central stores
Human nature - make sure
we are OK.

dFm

Enough [PPA]?

DOH Enough for 3-4 weeks.
Chief Constable
Normal supply-line.
Enough to keep going

DAERA 3-4 weeks - what happens then.

DOH

dFM Need to understand what is
ordered,
Interrogate.

DOH Public perception.
Testing.
Self-isolate for 14 days
Testing
Hospitals
Nurses.

DOF Drive-through testing.

DOH Were doing that

~~DOH~~ DOF Provision of PPE, Respirators -
funding will be made available

DOH Not just funding.

DOF If CPA/DOF can help, let me
know.

FWI local companies?

DOH Put out call last week,
Procure^m - will follow up.

DFE No. of companies have contacted us to
offer help - have to check with
London.

DOH We are using UK supply line
I need DFE to take forward.

FWI DFE to check with Scotland - how
are they making?

~~DFE~~ DFC Step change - co-op in Executive.
No of issues re testing.
Need to step up
How do officials across depts
working in teams.
PPE
Public health
Saving lives
People at home for 2 weeks - if
got tested, may not need to be at
home.
Need to cut through red tape,
work in teams across dept.
People in front line self-
isolating because they can't
get tested.

DOH Healthcare - understaffed,
vulnerable.
At home, self-isolating.
We have to go to a single supplier
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dfm If test works, it works.
Shd not sit back + wait.

DOH Test pos, isolate for 14 days -
need to know they will get paid,
[I]

HOLS PPE - Hub Task + Finish
exercise across depts to assess.

Fm Speak to Scotland?

DPE Constituency query - community
nurse going into care homes.
Are they tested?

DOH [no]

dfm We need to pull out all the stops,
work together.
Do today.

DPI Critical thing is testing
- take burden off Robin.
Do all testing necessary

Do H

1.4 m people

Worst case scenario 32,000 ^{new case} per day

Deaths = 9500

With interventions - reduce to 10,000

Hospital 3

Without intervention 30,000

10,000

Scary numbers

Concentration on []

If figs get out, we will not be able to manage.

Surge plan

1st 4 weeks

All measures we have taken, make sure hospitals are ready so grave.

Bringing forward registration of nurses

legis - bring people out of retirement - but they are elderly themselves.

Water Uni - will bring forward regis - of social workers.

QUB - no.

Don't want to make public issue
Changes in my dept none by now
legis in Westminster today

Will receive Royal Assent on Mon
LCM - can't do it.

As much confidence + support for health service.

Talk at this table - not public