

MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE MEETING: 2 DECEMBER 2021

Present: First Minister (Chair)
deputy First Minister (Chair)
Minister of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs
Minister for Communities
Minister of Education
Minister for the Economy
Minister of Finance
Minister of Health
Minister for Infrastructure
Minister of Justice

In attendance: Junior Minister, TEO (Mr. Middleton)
Junior Minister, TEO (Mr. Kearney)

Dame Brenda King, Attorney General for Northern Ireland

Sir Michael McBride, Chief Medical Officer
Professor Ian Young, Chief Scientific Adviser

Head of the Northern Ireland Civil Service
Head of Executive and Central Advisory Division

Joanne McBurney, Department of Finance

INTRODUCTION

The deputy First Minister chaired agenda items 1 - 4. The First Minister chaired the remaining items.

AGENDA ITEM 1

Minutes from previous meetings

E (M) (21) 51 Minutes of the Executive Meeting of 17 November 2021

- iii. that overall the restrictions and requirements imposed by these Regulations continued to be proportionate to what the Regulations seek to achieve, which is a public health response to that infectious disease threat; and
- iv. the regulations would be reviewed again on 13 January 2022.

E (21) 236 (C) Proposed changes to arrangements for testing of close contacts of positive COVID-19

9. The Minister of Health introduced this paper.

10. The Executive agreed to support the changes outlined in Executive Memorandum E (21) 236 (C) to testing arrangements for close contacts of confirmed COVID-19 cases, to be implemented with effect from 6 December 2021.

The First Minister chaired the remaining items in the agenda

AGENDA ITEM 5

Other issues requiring Executive agreement

E (21) 235 Post-16 Cheating Services Prohibition Bill

11. The Minister for Economy introduced this paper.

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