



## MINUTES

Session 2026–27

### NORTHERN IRELAND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Minutes of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting, held at 10:30am on Wednesday, 10 June 2026

Present: Lord Carlile of Berriew  
Lord Dodds of Duncairn  
Baroness Foster of Aghadrumsee  
Baroness Goudie  
Lord Hain  
Baroness Ludford  
Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick  
Baroness Sanderson of Welton  
Lord Thomas of Gresford

Adviser in attendance: Mr Tim Mitchell (Counsel for European Law)

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#### 1. Apologies and notices

Apologies were received from Lord Elliott of Ballinamallard, Lord Lexden and Baroness O'Loan.

#### 2. Inquiry on Article 2 of the Protocol/Windsor Framework: Evidence session I

At 10:45am, the Committee heard evidence from:

- Professor Brice Dickson, Emeritus Professor, School of Law, Queen's University Belfast
- Dr Eleni Frantziou, Associate Professor in Public Law and Human Rights, Durham Law School, Durham University
- Professor Colin Murray, Professor of Law and Democracy, Newcastle University

A full transcript was taken.

The following members declared relevant interests:

Lord Hain – Secretary of State for Northern Ireland May 2005 – June 2007

Baroness Foster of Aghadrumsee – Chair, Intertrade UK, and Member, Board Co-operation Ireland

#### 3. Forward work programme

The Committee *noted* the draft forward work programme.

#### **4. Date of next meeting**

The Committee will next meet on 17 June at 10:30am in Committee room 4A.

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