

ALLIANCE PARTY OF NORTHERN IRELAND

MINUTES OF POLITICAL STRATEGY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD IN HEADQUARTERS
ON WEDNESDAY 25TH NOVEMBER 1987 AT 1.00 P.M.

PRESENT: John Alderdice, Gordon Mawhinney, Howard Johnston,
Sean Neeson, Addie Morrow, Mervyn Jones, Bill Barbour.

APOLOGIES: Eileen Bell, Tom Campbell, Dan McGuinness.

CORRESPONDENCE N O N E

MINUTES A P P R O V E D

BUSINESS ARISING N O N E

PARTY LEADER'S STATEMENT

- a) The Party Leader reported on his meeting with Fine Gael Leaders. This had been very useful as a preliminary contact and should lead to a developing relationship.
- b) He expressed satisfaction at John Cushnahan's farewell dinner.
- c) He referred to the contacts between ourselves and the S.D.P. - Liberal Alliance and the need to discuss the developing relationship widely within the Party during Spring 1988.
- d) He referred to the Councillors' Meeting of Saturday, November 21st, and stated that it had been very well worthwhile and quite well attended.
- e) He reported that he, Gordon Mawhinney and Tom Campbell had been present in the Enniskillen Cathedral for the repeated Armistice Day Service on 22nd November.
- f) He described his recent contacts with Tom King and the new Deputy Secretary of State, John Stanley, who had impressed him by his determination to end racketeering and to get on top of the security situation.
- g) He would have a meeting with the Chief Constable Sir John Hermon on Monday November 30th.
- h) He planned to meet prominent church leaders after Christmas, and praised the effort of Tim Kinahan and his colleagues.

THE MEETING CONCLUDED AT 2.05 P.M.