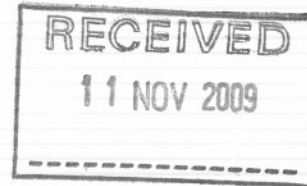


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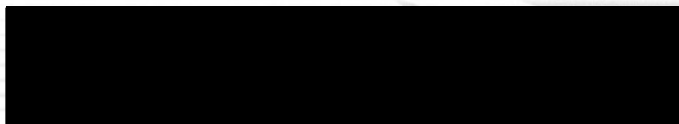
Dear Sir/Madam

**CONSULTATION ON PERMITTED DEVELOPMENT RIGHTS FOR SMALL
SCALE RENEWABLE ENERGY (MICROGENERATION) DEVELOPMENT IN
NORTHERN IRELAND**

I refer to the above consultation document which was discussed by Council at a recent meeting.

Members noted that this consultation sought views on proposals to provide specific permitted development rights for microgeneration development including solar panels, wind turbines, heat pumps, etc.

Members in general welcomed the proposals and recognised the advantages of these proposals in enabling microgeneration developments to proceed without the need to go down a lengthy formal planning route. They also were of the view that the proposals would encourage the promotion and implementation of small scale sustainable energy projects.



However Members also expressed concern as to what should constitute 'small scale' renewable energy generation development and called for assurances that there would be a means of enabling objections to such developments, for example, from neighbours may have concerns about the size, etc., of a development of this type.

Yours faithfully

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CHIEF EXECUTIVE