

CONSULTATION SCHEDULE – 26th April 2016

1.	TITLE	RECEIVED FROM	SUBMISSION BY
	Strategic Planning Policy – Countryside and strategic planning policy for renewable energy	Department of Environment	6 May 2016
	<p>The Department of the Environment has launched this ‘Call for Evidence’ to help inform the scope of a forthcoming review of strategic planning policy for Renewable Energy. It is anticipated that the evidence received will improve the Department’s understanding of the operation and impact of the existing policy approaches as set out in the Strategic Planning Policy Statement and provide up-to-date evidence on the social, environmental and economic impacts of this strategic policy area.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • www.planningni.gov.uk 		
2.	TITLE	RECEIVED FROM	SUBMISSION BY
	Consultation on Closure of the Northern Ireland Renewables Obligation (NIRO) to Small Scale Onshore Wind Projects	Department of Enterprise, Trade and Investment	9 May 2016
	<p>The consultation proposes options for closure of the NIRO to small scale projects set within the context of the Department of Energy and Climate Change’s intention to protect GB consumers if Northern Ireland does not close the NIRO on equivalent terms to GB.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • http://www.detini.gov.uk 		
3.	TITLE	RECEIVED FROM	SUBMISSION BY
	Proposals for new Regulations concerning Electrically Assisted Pedal Cycles	Department of the Environment	11 May 2016
	<p>The Department is proposing to introduce new regulations to except certain electrically assisted pedal cycles from certain vehicle and driver licensing requirements. In addition the Department intends to bring forward secondary regulation which will set minimum construction and standard use for these vehicles.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • www.doeni.gov.uk/consultations 		

4.	TITLE	RECEIVED FROM	SUBMISSION BY
	Permitted Development rights for Mineral Exploration	Department of the Environment	13 MAY 2016
	<p>The Department of the Environment will be undertaking a review of permitted development rights for mineral exploration as set out in Part 16 of the Schedule to the Planning (General Permitted Development) Order (Northern Ireland) 2015. This Call for Evidence will help inform the scope of this review.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • www.planningni.gov.uk/policy 		
5.	TITLE	RECEIVED FROM	SUBMISSION BY
	Proposals for the New Equipment and Protective Systems Intended for use in Potentially Explosive Atmospheres Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2016	Health and Safety Executive for Northern Ireland	16 May 2016
	<p>The Executive has a statutory duty, under the Health and Safety at Work (Northern Ireland) Order 1978 to consult before submitting proposals for the making of the regulations to the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Investment.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • http://www.hseni.gov.uk 		
6.	TITLE	RECEIVED FROM	SUBMISSION BY
	Proposals for implementing the ATEX Directive	Health and Safety Executive for Northern Ireland	16 May 2016
	<p>This consultation contains proposals to implement in Northern Ireland, Council Directive 2014/34/EU (the ATEX Directive) relating to equipment and protective systems intended for use in potentially explosive atmospheres.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • http://www.hseni.gov.uk 		
7.	TITLE	RECEIVED FROM	SUBMISSION BY
	Public Consultation on Regulations to Tackle Drink Driving in Northern Ireland	Department of the Environment	27 May 2016
	<p>This consultation paper contains proposals to introduce a set of five draft Statutory Rules that are needed to introduce new measures to tackle drink driving in Northern Ireland.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • http://www.doeni.gov.uk 		

8.	TITLE	RECEIVED FROM	SUBMISSION BY
	Proposals for the Freight Containers (Safety Convention) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2016	Health and Safety Executive for Northern Ireland	13 June 2016
	<p>The proposed Regulations amend the Freight Containers (Safety Convention) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1992 to give effect to amendments to the International Convention for Safe Containers 1972 (CSC) in Northern Ireland. CSC is a treaty that the UK ratified in 1978 and the UK is therefore bound by the treaty and its terms in accordance with international law.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • http://www.hseni.gov.uk 		
9.	TITLE	RECEIVED FROM	SUBMISSION BY
	Consultation on Application for BSE Negligible Risk Status for Northern Ireland (Cattle)	Department of Agriculture and Rural Development (DARD)	13 June 2016
	<p>Industry has encouraged DARD to consider applying for BSE Negligible Risk (NR) status on a regionalised basis for Northern Ireland. They take the view BSE NR status would provide an improved global image for NI Agriculture, which would offer a trade advantage in terms of gaining entry into new markets. An additional suggested benefit would be a considerable reduction in the volume of tissues designated as Specified Risk Material (SRM) with only the brain, skull, eyes and spinal cord remaining as SRM. This would mean less material going for destruction and therefore less waste.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • http://www.dardni.gov.uk/consultations 		
10.	TITLE	RECEIVED FROM	SUBMISSION BY
	Ecclesiastical Exemption and Historic Environment Fund – Public Consultations	Department of Environment	13 June 2016
	<p>The consultation paper proposes the following actions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop best practice guidance on the alteration and adaption of NI's listed places of worship • Clarify within this guidance that listed places of worship do not enjoy permitted development rights and that external changes, such as removing the replacing windows and doors, taking off render or changing roof details are developed and require planning permission • Make an order that the Ecclesiastical Exemption is removed in NI • Advise councils that styles of worship or liturgical requirements should also be considered when assessing Listed Building Consent applications for places of worship. www.doeni.gov.uk/consultations 		

11.	TITLE	RECEIVED FROM	SUBMISSION BY
	Proposals for the Health and Safety (First-Aid) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2016	Health and Safety Executive Northern Ireland	14 June 2016
	<p>The proposed Regulations will remove the requirement under regulation 3(2) of the Health and Safety (First-Aid) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1982 (“the 1982 Regulations”) for HSENI to approve first-aid training and qualifications.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • www.hseni.gov.uk 		
12.	TITLE	RECEIVED FROM	SUBMISSION BY
	Review of Pharmacy Regulations in Northern Ireland	Health, Social Services and Public Safety	14 June 2016
	<p>Currently the regulatory and professional leadership functions of the pharmacy profession in Northern Ireland are performed by one organisation, the Pharmaceutical Society of NI (the Society). The Department considers that this dual role does not align fully with modern thinking across the UK on what constitutes effective and efficient regulation of healthcare professionals. It is considered that to operate effectively in the public interest, a modern regulator must be totally and demonstrably independent from the profession it regulates. A number of proposals have been developed which seek to reform the current dual role of regulation and leadership performed by the Society.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • www.dhsspsni.gov.uk/consultations 		
13.	TITLE	RECEIVED FROM	SUBMISSION BY
	Consultation on Further Improvements to the Approved Driving Instructor (ADI) and Approved Motorcycle Instructor (AMI) Schemes in Northern Ireland	Department of the Environment Northern Ireland	15 June 2016
	<p>The consultation focus on three key areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - introducing a power for immediate suspension of an instructor’s registration in order to safeguard pupils, for example, where the police have decided that there is a public protection risk and have disclosed relevant information to the Registrar; - changing the legislation to enable instructors to request voluntary removal from the Register; and - considering options to enable instructors who have voluntarily left the Register, or whose registration has lapsed for a period, to rejoin the Register without having to re-sit the full qualifying examination. 		

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14.	TITLE	RECEIVED FROM	SUBMISSION BY
	Consultation on Improving Health within Criminal Justice	Department of Health Social Services & Public Safety	20 June 2016
	<p>Views are being sought on a draft strategy and action plan to ensure that children, young people and adults in contact with the criminal justice system are healthier, safer and less likely to be involved in offending behaviour.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • www.dhsspsni.gov.uk 		
15.	TITLE	RECEIVED FROM	SUBMISSION BY
	Review of Shellfish Water Protected Areas	Department of the Environment Northern Ireland	24 June 2016
	<p>This consultation paper seeks comments on the findings of the 2015 Review of Shellfish Water Protected Areas. The Shellfish Water Directive (SWD) (2006/113/EC) was repealed in December 2013 and subsumed into the Water Framework Directive and designated shellfish waters are Protected Areas under the WFD as these are designated for the protection of economically significant aquatic species.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • http://www.doeni.gov.uk/consultations/review-shellfish-waters-protected-areas 		
16.	TITLE	RECEIVED FROM	SUBMISSION BY
	Greater Clarendon (Sailortown) Masterplan Consultation	Department of Social Development	30 June 2016
	<p>The Draft Masterplan seeks to provide an overarching framework for the development of the area and its key aims are to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promote improved pedestrian and cycle links; • Facilitate social and economic connections through the design of the environment and the improvement of key routes; • Encourage active ground floor uses; • Promote a development that protects and strengthens the heritage and urban form within the area; • Promote new employment opportunities; • Promote the provision of new housing development and: • Provide a co-ordinated approach to regeneration which takes into account proposed accessibility and transport arrangements, including proposals for the development and improvement of the public transport network. 		

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Reminder - current Consultation Documents

- **(1) Options for Future Support to Areas of Natural Constraint**
(2) Designation of Areas of Natural Constraint
(3) Review of CAP Coupled Support Options
Department of Agriculture & Rural Development
Submission by 29 April 2016
<https://www.dardni.gov.uk/consultations>
- **RQIA – Consultation on Revised Inspection Policy for Regulated Services**
Regulation & Quality Improvement Authority
Submission by 29 April 2016
<https://www.rqia.org.uk>
- **Consultation – Output Geography for the Updated Multiple Deprivation Measure (NIMDM 2017)**
Northern Ireland Statistics and Research Agency
Submission by 4 May 2016
http://www.nisra.gov.uk/deprivation/nimdm_2017.htm
- **Proposals to Amend the Equality Commission’s Advice to Public Authorities on Consultation Timescales**
Equality Commission
Submission by 9 May 2016
<http://www.equalityni.org/Section75Consultation>
- **Current Consultations & EQIAs**
Fermanagh & Omagh District Council
Submission by 27 May 2016
www.fermanaghomagh.com

- **Consultation on Draft Diabetes Strategic Framework and Implementation Plan**
Department of Health, Social Services & Public Safety
Submission by 31 May 2016
<https://www.dhsspsni.gov.uk/consultations>
- **Consultation on Sign Language Framework with Proposals for Legislation**
Department of Culture, Arts & Leisure
Submission by 4 July 2016
www.dcalni.gov.uk/consultations.