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Dear Sir/Madam

## SUBORDINATE LEGISLATION FOR PLANNING REFORM AND TRANSFER TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT

I am writing to inform you that the Department of the Environment has made the following Statutory Rules entitled:-

The Planning (Modification and Discharge of Planning Agreements) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015 (S.R. 2015 No.187)

The Planning (Simplified Planning Zones) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015 (S.R. 2015 No.188)

The Planning (Inquiry Procedure) Rules (Northern Ireland) 2015 (S.R. 2015 No.189)

The above named Rules come into operation on 22 April 2015 and introduce necessary reforms to the planning system to facilitate the transfer of responsibility for the majority of planning functions to the new district councils.

Copies of the Rules may be purchased from the Stationery Office at <a href="https://www.tsoshop.co.uk">www.tsoshop.co.uk</a> or by contacting TSO Customer Services on 0870 600 5522 or viewed online at <a href="https://www.legislation.gov.uk">www.legislation.gov.uk</a>.

Yours faithfully,

**ANGUS KERR**