

## **EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM TO**

### **The Glen Road, Londonderry (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2009**

**S.R. 2009 No. 217**

#### **1. Introduction**

- 1.1. This Explanatory Memorandum has been prepared by the Department for Regional Development to accompany the Statutory Rule (details above) which is laid before the Northern Ireland Assembly.
- 1.2. The Statutory Rule is made under Article 68(1) and (5) of the Roads (Northern Ireland) Order 1993 and is subject to the negative resolution procedure.

#### **2. Purpose**

- 2.1. The purpose of the Rule is to abandon 375 square metres of footpath and verge at Glen Road, Londonderry.

#### **3. Background**

- 3.1. The Abandonment has been requested by solicitors on behalf of the joint owners of the bed and soil in question who wish to extend the existing car park at Glenbrook Day Centre. The applicants will be required to construct a new footpath to provide an alternative route before the abandonment comes into operation.

#### **4. Consultation**

- 4.1. The police have been consulted and have no objection to the scheme. Derry City Council have also been notified and have advised that they have no plant, equipment or other interest in this land. A notice in respect of the proposed abandonment was published in the local press for 2 successive weeks and statutory undertakers notified of the proposal.

#### **5. Equality Impact**

- 5.1. Consideration has been given to compliance with Section 75 of the Northern Ireland Act 1998. No equality issues have been identified by the Department and no issues were raised following the publication of the notice in the press.

#### **6. Regulatory Impact**

- 6.1. A Regulatory Impact Assessment was not considered necessary as the proposal does not result in any costs or savings on business, charities or the voluntary bodies.

#### **7. Financial Implications**

- 7.1. None

#### **8. Section 24 of the Northern Ireland Act 1998**

- 8.1. Consideration has been given to compliance with Section 24 of the Northern Ireland Act 1998. No human rights issues have been identified by

the Department and no issues were raised following the publication of the notice in the press.

**9. EU Implications**

9.1. Not applicable.

**10. Parity or Replicatory Measure**

10.1. Not applicable.

**11. Additional Information**

11.1. Not applicable.

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