

## **EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM TO**

### **The Derriaghy Road, Lisburn (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2016**

#### **S. R. 2016 No. 370**

#### **1. Introduction**

- 1.1. This Explanatory Memorandum has been prepared by the Department for Infrastructure 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), (3) 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 an area of 744.5 square metres of road at the former Derriaghy Road, Lisburn from a point 66.55 metres north-east of its junction with Pond Park Road extending for 99.81 metres in a north-easterly direction. The Department is of the opinion that the area of road is not necessary for road traffic.
- 2.2. The rule will also revoke an existing stopping-up order which stopped up Derriaghy Road at a line 87 metres north-east of its junction with Pond Park Road.

#### **3. Background**

- 3.1. The abandonment has been requested by a member of the public. The ownership of the area of land to be abandoned is unregistered but the applicant has informed the Department that he is the owner of the bed and soil. He has requested the abandonment to facilitate possible future development of a small single dwelling.

#### **4. Consultation**

- 4.1. The PSNI has been consulted and has no objection. Lisburn & Castlereagh City Council has also been advised of the proposed abandonment.
- 4.2. A notice in respect of the proposed abandonment was published in the local press for two successive weeks. In addition, a notice was posted on site and the statutory undertakers, neighbouring landowners and frontagers were consulted as part of the formal consultation process. Following publication of the notice, no objections were received.

#### **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 to 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.