

SMOKING (NORTHERN IRELAND) ORDER 2006

S.I. 2006 No. 2957 (N.I. 20)

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

BACKGROUND AND POLICY OBJECTIVES

3. The policy objective is to protect employees and the general public from exposure to second-hand smoke. The Order makes provision for enclosed workplaces and public places to be smoke-free. The Order will also give the Department the power to make regulations in a number of areas including specifying premises or specified areas within them that do not have to be smoke-free. It is intended that these will include premises where a person has his home or is living either permanently or temporarily.