

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM TO
The Greengraves Road, Dundonald (Abandonment and Stopping-Up) Order
(Northern Ireland) 2024

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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 abandon an area of 1,334 square metres of road at Greengraves Road, Dundonald and to stop-up Greengraves Road at its junction with Millmount Road on completion of works to provide alternative facilities for road traffic.

3. Background

- 3.1. The Rule will abandon an area of 1334 square metres of road at Greengraves Road, Dundonald extending from a point 180 metres east of its junction with Millmount Road for a distance of 195 metres in an easterly direction. On the coming into operation of the Rule, the area of road in question shall cease to be maintainable by the Department and the public right of way over it shall be extinguished. The area of road in question will be abandoned after completion of such works as the Department considers necessary. The Rule will also stop-up Greengraves Road at its junction with Millmount Road for a distance of 15.8 metres in a northerly direction.
- 3.2. The proposal has been requested by RPS Consultants on behalf of Lagan Homes and forms part of a re-development scheme of the area. The bed and soil of the area to be abandoned is owned by Lagan Homes and following the abandonment, the area will be re-developed into housing and grass areas. The stopping-up of Greengraves Road is necessary for the progression of a new road lay out scheme in the housing development. The developers will provide an alternative route for road traffic.

4. Consultation

- 4.1. The PSNI has been consulted and no objection has been received. Lisburn & Castlereagh City Council has also been advised of the proposed abandonment and stopping-up, however no comments have been received.
- 4.2. In accordance with the statutory consultation process a notice in respect of the proposed abandonment and stopping-up 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.

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. The applicant has signed an undertaking to reimburse the Department's costs and expenses and to pay for any compensation due as a result of making the Rule.

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.