

# A COMMISSIONER FOR OLDER PEOPLE



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# YOUR VOICE YOUR FUTURE

The First Minister and deputy First Minister want to appoint a Commissioner for Older People. They have made some proposals about the powers, functions and duties the Commissioner should have and want to know what you think.

A series of meetings are being held to find out your views on what a Commissioner should be able to do about issues that matter to older people. The meetings, which will be facilitated by the Older People's Advocate, Dame Joan Harbison, are at:

Date	Location	Time
<b>Monday 16 November</b>	Guildhall, <b>Derry/ Londonderry</b>	11am-1pm (morning)
<b>Tuesday 17 November</b>	Gortallowry House, <b>Cookstown</b>	11am-1pm (morning)
<b>Wednesday 18 November</b>	Old Town Hall, <b>Ballymena</b>	11am-1pm (morning)
<b>Wednesday 18 November</b>	Grosvenor House, <b>Belfast</b>	7pm-9pm (evening)
<b>Thursday 19 November</b>	Ardhowen Theatre, <b>Enniskillen</b>	11am-1pm (morning)
<b>Friday 20 November</b>	Millennium Court, <b>Portadown</b>	1pm-3 pm (afternoon)
<b>Monday 23 November</b>	Grosvenor House, <b>Belfast</b>	11am-1pm (morning)
<b>Monday 23 November</b>	Queens Hall, <b>Newtownards</b>	7pm-9pm (evening)
<b>Tuesday 24 November</b>	Ballybot House, <b>Newry</b>	1pm-3 pm (afternoon)

Please let us know if you are going to attend one of the meetings by contacting the Commissioner for Older People Team:

**Telephone: 028 9052 8273 Fax: 028 9052 3323**

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If you can't attend any of these meetings you can still make your voice heard. You can get a copy of the consultation document with information on the proposals by contacting the Commissioner for Older People Team or download it from our website at [www.ofmdfmni.gov.uk/index/equality/age/older-peoples-commissioner.htm](http://www.ofmdfmni.gov.uk/index/equality/age/older-peoples-commissioner.htm).

The consultation closes on **7 January 2010**.

You can also write to the Commissioner for Older People Legislation Team at the Equality, Rights and Social Need Division, Office of the First Minister and Deputy First Minister, Castle Buildings, Stormont Estate, Belfast, BT4 3BR