

Welcome

Welcome to the eighth edition of 'All Aboard' the news-sheet of the Central Appointments Unit (CAU) in the Office of the First Minister and deputy First Minister.

Its purpose is twofold, to provide information about public appointments and public bodies in Northern Ireland and publicise our six monthly public appointments vacancy list. ●



Roads Service public inquiries

The Department for Regional Development's Roads Service is seeking to add to its list of Inspectors who may be appointed to take charge of public inquiries into roads issues.

Inspectors are appointed by Roads Service to conduct public inquiries into a wide range of roads functions including major road proposals, for example, A2 Shore Road, Greenisland Upgrade Scheme, abandonment of superseded roads, traffic regulation orders and traffic calming schemes.

At a public inquiry an Inspector will consider evidence from a range of interested parties. This evidence may be in the form of written

submissions or oral evidence. An Inspector may also seek out other information that he/she considers appropriate or necessary.

The Inspector's role is to act as an independent arbiter of the facts presented at a public inquiry and make an informed and reasoned recommendation on the proposed scheme.

After the inquiry has closed the Inspector will prepare a report which constitutes the formal record of the inquiry. This report should include a list of the persons who appeared at the inquiry and of the documents presented; a description of the site, proposal or scheme and any key evidence; the Inspector's findings of the facts; reasoned conclusions and recommendations.

The length of inquiries varies considerably with some lasting 1-2 days while others may last several weeks. Some high profile
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Forthcoming public appointment vacancies

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inquiries may attract the interest of the media. In the case of larger, more complex inquiries the Department may also appoint one or more Assistant Inspectors in a supporting role.

The frequency of public inquiries is irregular therefore the Department maintains a list of Inspectors and makes appointments on the basis of availability. Remuneration is on the basis of hourly/daily rates together with allowances for travelling expenses etc. Details of these can be made available on request.

This is an important role that can have a significant and lasting impact on society, the economy and the environment. The Department is looking for people with a background in civil engineering, public administration, estate management/valuation or legal expertise, who can analyse complex information, manage the public inquiry process and prepare reports that demonstrate logical and reasoned arguments.

If you would be interested in applying to join this list of Inspectors please contact Roy Sherman in Department for Regional Development, Roads Service Headquarters (telephone: 028 9054 0600) or email roy.sherman@drdni.gov.uk

Vacancies

Included in this edition of 'All Aboard' is a list of the public appointment vacancies that are expected to arise during the first half of 2009. Any vacancies that arise after we go to print will be added to our website.

If you are interested in any of the vacancies listed, please contact the designated official who can provide you with more information about the appointment and when it is due to be filled. ●

Mailing list

The 'All Aboard' mailing list continues to grow but new members are always welcome. If you know anyone who might be interested in receiving a copy of 'All Aboard' please ask them to contact us, at the address below, and we will add their names to the list. ○

Public Appointments Annual Report

The Central Appointments Unit is responsible for producing the Public Appointments Annual Report and we are aiming to publish the 2007/08 Report around the end of October.

The Annual Report is compiled using information provided by Northern Ireland's eleven Government Departments and is issued in two volumes.

Volume 1 provides a detailed statistical analysis of the applications received and appointments made during the year. Volume 2 lists all those holding public appointments at 31 March 2008 and the public body on which they serve. The Report will be available on our website – www.ofmdfmi.gov.uk/public-appointments. ●

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