# Forestry Act (Northern Ireland) 2010

## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

#### **COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS**

### Part 1 – Functions of the Department

#### Section 7- Incidental Powers

Section 7 will allow the Department to use partnerships, or body corporate structures, to support its functions. For example, the Forestry Strategy envisages partnerships as a means to accommodate more active or high value pursuits in support of wider government objectives for sport and tourism, and enhancement of the environment. Partnerships or body corporate structures may also support section 4 to obtain better value from the public estate, wind farms and tourism initiatives being two potential examples. The use of these powers is subject to DFP approval.