EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM TO

The C156 (Unnamed road), Moyraverty, Craigavon (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2012

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1. Introduction

- 1.1. This Explanatory Memorandum has been prepared by the Department for Regional Development 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) 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 The purpose of the rule is to abandon an area of 1133 square metres of superseded road extending from Sugar Island Road to Drumgask Road, Craigavon.

3. Background

3.1. The abandonment has been requested by the adjacent landowner, who wishes to incorporate the land into the curtilage of her property. Part of the bed and soil of the area to be abandoned is owned by the applicant and part is owned by the Department. Following the abandonment, the part of the land owned by the applicant will revert to her and the part of the land owned by the Department will be disposed of in accordance with the statutory procedures for the disposal of government owned land.

4. Consultation

4.1. Craigavon Borough Council has been advised of the proposed abandonment. A Notice in respect of the proposed abandonment was published in the local press for 2 successive weeks and statutory undertakers were notified of the proposal. No objections have been received.

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. None

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.