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Mr Peter McNaney  
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31 July 2008

Dear *Peter,*

**2008 REVIEW OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOUNDARIES**

On 1<sup>st</sup> July 2008, I was appointed as the Local Government Boundaries Commissioner for Northern Ireland by the Environment Minister Sammy Wilson MP, MLA to make recommendations to the Department of the Environment regarding the boundaries and names of the eleven new districts and the number, boundaries and names of their constituent wards. My final recommendations must be submitted to the Department by 30 June 2009.

You may be aware that the context for my appointment and the framework for the review are set out in the Local Government Act (Northern Ireland) 1972, as amended by the Local Government (Boundaries) (Northern Ireland) Order 2006 and the Local Government (Boundaries) Act (Northern Ireland) 2008. Copies of the legislation can be accessed on the LGBC website [www.lgbc-ni.org/index/legislation/htm](http://www.lgbc-ni.org/index/legislation/htm).

After the publication of my provisional recommendations in the autumn, I will arrange for a public hearing to be held in each of the 11 districts so that

everyone will have the opportunity to comment on them either in writing or orally, at a public hearing. I will arrange to send you a copy of my Provisional Recommendations Report for your consideration once it is published.

If you require any further information regarding my remit, the rules governing the review or the timetable to which I am working, please contact Elizabeth Benson, Secretary to the Office of the Local Government Boundaries Commissioner (telephone 028 9069 4809 or email [webmail@lgbc-ni.org](mailto:webmail@lgbc-ni.org).)

Yours sincerely



**Dick Mackenzie CB**  
**Local Government Boundaries Commissioner**

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