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Dear Mr McNaney

Z/2011/1211/F

Amended scheme with reduced floor area for replacement of existing dwelling with new building providing supported housing by way of apartments and staff accommodation (15 units in total) at 29a Annadale Avenue, Belfast

I refer to the above application, which your Council, at its meeting on 2nd August 2012, decided to refer to the Department for determination.

The application has been considered and it has been decided that this referral fails to meet the criteria outlined in the 'Guidance for Councils on the Operation of the Management Board Referral Procedure' which issued May 2007.

Applications referred to the Department must in the first instance relate to significant developments and meet one or more of the criteria set out in Departmental Guidance.

In respect of this specific case the application is for the erection of 15 supported housing units on a site which has previous planning permission for 7 units in a building of similar scale, height, massing and siting. This is not considered to be a significant development. I can confirm that a reassessment of the proposal by the Department is not considered either appropriate or necessary.

The application will now be returned to the Area Planning Office for a decision to issue in line with the opinion presented to Council.