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Dear Sir/Madam,

Major Planning Application under the Planning (Northern Ireland) Order 1991

Location: Windsor Park, Donegall Avenue, Belfast, BT12 6LW

Proposal: Re-development of Windsor Park to provide an 18,000 seated capacity National Football Stadium, comprising: demolition of the south and east stands and erection of replacement south and east stands; refurbishment and extension of north and west stands; replacement flood lighting; coach and car parking; player accommodation and welfare facilities; ground support facilities including electronic display installations; hard and soft landscaping and storage facilities associated with ground maintenance; development of ancillary office accommodation, conference, training and community facilities; temporary construction access; upgrade of pedestrian access points and boundary fencing

As you know this application was designated Article 31 as it was considered that the development would, if permitted:

- (i) be of significance to the whole or a substantial part of Northern Ireland,
- (ii) affect the whole of a neighbourhood and

Following detailed consideration of the proposal the Department has decided to issue a Notice of Opinion to Approve this development.

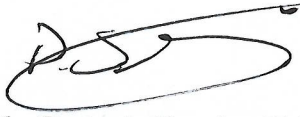
In arriving at this decision, the Department took into account all relevant planning matters including: -

- a) planning policies;
- b) the development plan;
- c) relevant material factors; and
- d) Representations submitted from all interested parties.

Please note that applicants may appeal to the Planning Appeals Commission against any condition on this notice. If an appeal is received, you will of course be advised in due course.

I trust this information is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely

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