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Dear Katrina,

**Public Accounts Committee**

Thank you for attending the Public Accounts Committee meeting on 10 February.

Further to the evidence session, the Committee have requested some additional information:

- It was stated that each year 12,500 planning applications are processed across all council areas in Northern Ireland, how many of these applications are approved each year?
- Please provide updated figures of applications which have been 'overturned' for each council area.
- Please provide details of the roles and responsibilities of the 80 staff employed in the two Planning Directorates.
- Please provide details of the Planning forum – who sits on this, how often do they meet and what are their current and future action plan/objectives.

I should be grateful for your response by **Monday 21<sup>st</sup> February 2022**.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "William J. Humphrey". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping final flourish.

**William Humphrey**  
**Chairperson**  
**Public Accounts Committee**