Subject: N.I. Planning Bill

Dear Committee

I am writing in support of the Friends of the Earth submission.

In that you intend to put the economic considerations at the top of your list when it comes to granting permission for planning

This is short-sighted and can be damaging to our environment and in the long term costly in terms of repairing the damage done and in some cases un-repairable.

It is evident that more and more public interest is being taken up $\,$ by groups on $\,$ environmental protection issues due to the failure of government to act in the public interest .

Let's hope we have some common sense and forward thinking for a change

Thanking you, Jim Gregg