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Programme for Government & Green New Deal Group


At its meeting on 1 February 2012, the Committee for Finance and Personnel considered the attached submission from the Green New Deal Group. The Group is seeking clarification in relation to the policy commitment to the Green New Deal as there is no mention of the project within the draft Programme for Government (PfG) or draft Economic Strategy.

The Committee noted that the Minister of Finance and Personnel stated in the Assembly on 15 March 2011 that savings from the energy efficiency homes scheme and the low carbon homes scheme would not be taken out of the Budget altogether but would be transferred to the Green New Deal Project.

The Committee has written to the Department of Finance and Personnel to request a response to any issues within its remit which are raised in the submission from the Green New Deal Group and to seek clarification as to whether it is still the intention that the savings will be reallocated to the Green New Deal and how this fits within the PfG and Economic Strategy commitments.

The Committee agreed to forward the Green New Deal submission to your Committee for information.

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