

COMMITTEE FOR FINANCE AND PERSONNEL

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Dear Norman

Programme for Government, Economic Strategy & Green New Deal

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 PfG or draft Economic Strategy.

The Minister 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 requested that the Department provides a response to any issues within its remit which are raised in the submission from the Green New Deal Group and also clarifies 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.

I would be grateful for a response by 16 February 2012.

Yours sincerely

Shane McAteer
Committee Clerk