STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2006 No. 613 (N.I. 6)

NORTHERN IRELAND

The Budget (Northern Ireland) Order 2006

Made - - - - 8th March 2006

Coming into operation in accordance with Article 1

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 8th day of March 2006

Present,

The Queen's Most Excellent Majesty in Council

Whereas a draft of this Order in Council has been approved by resolution of each House of Parliament:

Now, therefore, Her Majesty, in exercise of the powers conferred by paragraph 1(1) of the Schedule to the Northern Ireland Act 2000 (c. 1) and of all other powers enabling Her in that behalf, is pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:—

Title and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Budget (Northern Ireland) Order 2006 and shall come into operation forthwith.

Interpretation

2. The Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954 (c. 33) applies to this Order as it applies to an Act of the Assembly.

Issue of sum out of the Consolidated Fund for year ending 31st March 2006 and appropriation of that sum

- **3.**—(1) The Department of Finance and Personnel may issue out of the Consolidated Fund and apply to the service of the year ending 31st March 2006 the sum of £10,838,418,000.
 - (2) That sum is appropriated for the purposes specified in Schedule 1.
- (3) The authorisation and appropriations in this Article supersede those in Article 6 of the Budget (Northern Ireland) Order 2005 (NI 3) and Article 3 of the Budget (No. 2) (Northern Ireland) Order 2005 (NI 12); and, in relation to any amount specified in column 2 of Schedule 1, any increase or

decrease by virtue of this Article in the aggregate amount appropriated by those Articles is given in brackets after the amount.

Use of resources (other than accruing resources) in year ending 31st March 2006

- **4.**—(1) For the purposes of section 6(1) of the Government Resources and Accounts Act (Northern Ireland) 2001 (c. 6), this Article authorises the use of resources in the year ending 31st March 2006.
 - (2) The use of resources by—
 - (a) the Northern Ireland departments;
 - (b) the Northern Ireland Assembly;
 - (c) the Northern Ireland Audit Office;
 - (d) the Assembly Ombudsman for Northern Ireland and the Northern Ireland Commissioner for Complaints;
 - (e) the Northern Ireland Authority for Energy Regulation; and
 - (f) the Food Standards Agency,

in that year is authorised to the amount of £15,441,646,000.

- (3) In that year, resources may be used by a Northern Ireland department or a body or person mentioned in paragraph (2) for the purposes specified in relation to that department, body or person in column 1 of Schedule 2 up to the amounts specified in the corresponding entries in column 2 of that Schedule.
- (4) The authorisations in this Article supersede those in Article 8 of the Budget (Northern Ireland) Order 2005 (NI 3) and Article 4 of the Budget (No. 2) (Northern Ireland) Order 2005 (NI 12); and, in relation to any amount specified in column 2 of Schedule 2, any increase or decrease by virtue of this Article in the aggregate amount authorised by those Articles is given in brackets after the amount.
- (5) In this Article "resources" does not include accruing resources within the meaning of section 8(1) of the Government Resources and Accounts Act (Northern Ireland) 2001 (c. 6).

Revised limits on use of certain accruing resources in year ending 31st March 2006

- **5.**—(1) For the purposes of section 8(1) of the Government Resources and Accounts Act (Northern Ireland) 2001 (c. 6), this Article sets the relevant limits on the accruing resources that may be directed to be used for certain purposes in the year ending 31st March 2006 in addition to resources authorised by this Order to be used for those purposes in that year.
- (2) In that year accruing resources not exceeding the amount specified in column 3 of Schedule 2 may be directed to be used for the purposes specified in the corresponding entries in column 1 of that Schedule.
- (3) The limits set by this Article supersede those set by Article 5 of the Budget (No. 2) (Northern Ireland) Order 2005 (NI 12); and, in relation to any amount specified in column 3 of Schedule 2, any increase or decrease by virtue of this Article in the amount of the limit set by that Article is given in brackets after that amount.

Issue of sum out of the Consolidated Fund for year ending 31st March 2007 and appropriation of that sum

- **6.**—(1) The Department of Finance and Personnel may issue out of the Consolidated Fund and apply to the service of the year ending 31st March 2007 the sum of £4,898,810,000.
 - (2) That sum is appropriated for the purposes specified in Schedule 3.

Power of the Department of Finance and Personnel to borrow

- 7.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), the Department of Finance and Personnel may borrow on the credit of the sum specified in Article 6 any sum or sums not exceeding in the whole £3,449,405,000.
- (2) Any money so borrowed shall be repaid, with any interest due thereon, out of the Consolidated Fund not later than 31st March 2007.

Use of resources (other than accruing resources) in year ending 31st March 2007

- **8.**—(1) For the purposes of section 6(1) of the Government Resources and Accounts Act (Northern Ireland) 2001 (c. 6), this Article authorises the use of resources in the year ending 31st March 2007.
 - (2) The use of resources by—
 - (a) the Northern Ireland departments;
 - (b) the Northern Ireland Assembly;
 - (c) the Northern Ireland Audit Office;
 - (d) the Assembly Ombudsman for Northern Ireland and the Northern Ireland Commissioner for Complaints;
 - (e) the Northern Ireland Authority for Energy Regulation; and
 - (f) the Food Standards Agency,

in that year is authorised to the amount of £6,284,418,000.

- (3) In that year, resources may be used by a Northern Ireland department or a body or person mentioned in paragraph (2) for the purposes specified in relation to that department, body or person in column 1 of Schedule 4 up to the amounts specified in the corresponding entries in column 2 of that Schedule.
- (4) In this Article "resources" does not include accruing resources within the meaning of section 8(1) of the Government Resources and Accounts Act (Northern Ireland) 2001 (c. 6).

A.K. Galloway Clerk of the Privy Council

SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 1

Article 3.

SUMS GRANTED FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH 2006

Purpose	Sums Granted (£)
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT	
For expenditure by the Department of Agriculture and Rural Development on development of the agriculture and agricultural products industries and alternative land uses, provision of education and training services to the Agri-food industry, provision of scientific and veterinary services, prevention and eradication of animal diseases, regional measures for farm support and enhancement of the countryside, rural development measures, market support, grants for capital and other improvements, support for agriculture in special areas, assistance to production and market development, flood defence measures, maintenance of watercourses, protection and conservation of sea fisheries, implementation of the European Union Common Fisheries Policy and local fisheries policy, support operation of the Loughs Agency of the Foyle, Carlingford and Irish Lights Commission, protection and conservation of forests, extension of woodland area, promotion of recreational use of forest areas, supply and sale of timber, payments under the European Union Programme for Peace and Reconciliation, payments under the European Union Structural Funds Programmes, administration costs, and repayment of loans. DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE, ARTS AND LEISURE	292,234,000 (-37,338,000)
For expenditure by the Department of Culture, Arts and Leisure on libraries (other than library services to schools), arts, the North/South Language Body, museums, the Public Record Office of Northern Ireland, Armagh Observatory and Planetarium, W5, the Northern Ireland Events Company, sports,	111,218,000 (-6,029,000)

inland fisheries, certain inland waterways (including payments to the Rivers Agency), Waterways Ireland, Ordnance Survey of Northern Ireland, administration and certain miscellaneous services, grants in aid to the education and library boards for certain library services, linguistic and cultural diversity, grants in aid to certain bodies, payments under the European Union Programme for Peace and Reconciliation and payments under the European Economic Area.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

General

For expenditure by the Department of Education on pre-school education, schools (including library and support services for schools and pupils), other related services, and associated departmental administration and services; grants and grants in aid to education and library boards for certain services (including for core and schoolrelated administration); grants and grants in aid to certain other bodies; payments by the Department in respect of certain teachers' salaries; repayment of loans; the youth service, community relations measures for young people, millennium volunteers, other related services, and associated departmental administration and services; grants and grants in aid to education and library boards for youth service and community relations provision and directly associated administration; grants and grants in aid to certain other bodies for youth service and community relations provision; and payments under the European Union Programme for Peace and Reconciliation and other European Union Structural Funds Programmes for schools, youth service and community relations provision

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Teachers' Superannuation

For expenditure by the Department of Education on pensions, allowances, gratuities etc., certain payments to the Northern Ireland National Insurance Fund, and certain payments on behalf of the education and library boards and the Department for Employment and

1,791,435,000

(-4,450,000)

78,761,000

(+6,272,000)

Learning, in respect of premature retirement compensation.

DEPARTMENT FOR EMPLOYMENT AND LEARNING

For expenditure by the Department for Employment and Learning on higher education (including universities and colleges of education); further and adult education; youth and adult skills training; management and enterprise training; student support and other matters relating to tertiary education, including grants in aid to certain bodies, grants in respect of Educational Maintenance Allowances and certain payments to the Department of Education in respect of teachers' premature retirement compensation; repayment of loans; labour market services including employment law, tribunals and labour relations; employment schemes and services including those for people with disabilities; payments under the European Union Programme for Peace and Reconciliation and other European Union Structural Funds Programmes; and, administration costs, including departmental research.

DEPARTMENT OF ENTERPRISE, TRADE AND INVESTMENT

For expenditure by the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Investment on administration costs, economic development, policy and research, energy and minerals, economic infrastructure in support of economic development, renewable energy, grant payment to Invest NI, development of tourism, Tourism Ireland Ltd, InterTradeIreland, payments under European Union Structural Funds Programmes, payments under the European Union Programme for Peace and Reconciliation, business regulation, health and safety, assistance to aircraft and shipbuilding industries, repayment of loan interest, assistance to the gas and electricity industries (including residual costs in connection with the privatisation of the electricity industry in Northern Ireland) and other related services, including grants in aid.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND PERSONNEL

811,390,000

(-14,167,000)

268,468,000

(-10,614,000)

Purpose	Sums Granted (£)
General	
For expenditure by the Department of Finance and Personnel on central financial administration, operational and programme costs of the Special European Union Programmes Body, payments under the European Union Structural Funds Programmes, central personnel management of the Northern Ireland Civil Service, the Central Procurement Directorate, the Departmental Solicitors' Office, the Northern Ireland Statistics and Research Agency, the Business Development Service, Office Estates and Building Standards Division, payments of Energy Efficiency grants to District Councils, administration of centralised funds, the General Register Office, the Valuation and Lands Agency, the Rate Collection Agency, the Office of Law Reform, the Land Registers of Northern Ireland, the Lands Tribunal, Departmental administration costs, grant in aid and other common services	219,865,000 (+18,650,000)
DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND PERSONNEL	
Superannuation and other allowances	
For expenditure by the Department of Finance and Personnel on pensions, lump sums and gratuities to persons covered by the Principal Civil Service Pension Scheme, civil pensions and gratuities.	4,000,000 (+89,589,000)
DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND PERSONNEL	
The North/South Pension Scheme	
For expenditure by the Department of Finance and Personnel on the Northern Ireland share of pensions, lump sums and gratuities to or in respect of persons covered by the North/South Pension Scheme.	13,200,000 (+13,199,000)
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, SOCIAL SERVICES AND PUBLIC SAFETY	
General	
For expenditure by the Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety on policy development, hospital, community health and personal social services, Health and Social Services Trusts, family health services, Health	3,074,492,000 (+2,074,000)

Estates Agency, training, welfare foods, grants to voluntary bodies, centrally financed services, the Food Safety Promotion Board, special initiatives, the European Union Programme for Peace and Reconciliation and other European Union Structural Funds Programmes, repayment of loans, administration, related services and fire services.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, SOCIAL SERVICES AND PUBLIC SAFETY

Health and personal social services superannuation

For expenditure by the Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety on superannuation benefits to or in respect of persons engaged in the health and personal social services or in other approved employment

5,080,000

(+321,000)

DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT

For expenditure by the Department of the Environment on conservation; natural heritage; built heritage; environmental legislation and protection; planning services; grants to district councils in support of local services, Waste Management and construction product enforcement regulations; payments to Local Government Staff Commission; road safety services, driver and vehicle licensing, driver and vehicle testing, transport licensing and enforcement; consultants' fees, computer hardware and software, purchase of equipment, plant and vehicles; payments under European Union Structural Funds Programmes; repayment of loans and departmental administration costs.

142,886,000

(+1,115,000)

DEPARTMENT FOR REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT

For expenditure by the Department for Regional Development on support for the Roads Service including design, construction and maintenance of roads, bridges, footpaths, street lighting and car parks; purchase of land, property, vehicles, plant, equipment and stores; public liability claims; provision, operation and maintenance of the Strangford Ferry; support for air and sea ports including salary, wages and other costs in respect of

806,602,000

(-63,692,000)

the Donaghadee Harbour; grants in respect of the Rathlin Island ferry service and works to Ballycastle and Rathlin Harbours; support for transport services including current and capital grants in respect of rail and road passenger services including fare concessions, fuel duty rebate, transport for people with disabilities, rural transport, provision and maintenance of bus shelters, purchase of buses and rolling stock and capital works; support for regional planning, transport planning and visioning; energy matters; consultants' and other fees; research and development; salaries, wages, general administrative expenses and central administration costs; certain early retirement and compensation payments; graphics unit; computer hardware and software; office machinery and equipment; related services including services to other departments; payments under European Union Structural Funds Programmes; payments under European Union Programme for Peace and Reconciliation; repayment of loans; the Water Service including design, construction and maintenance of water supply and sewage disposal systems; purchase of land, property, vehicles, plant, equipment and stores; repayment of loans inherited from former water and sewerage authorities; expenses of the Northern Ireland Water Council and costs associated with Water Reform.

DEPARTMENT FOR SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT

For expenditure by the Department for Social Development on central administration costs relating to the Social Security and Child Support Programmes including a grant to the Northern Ireland Housing Executive for administering the Housing Benefit Scheme, Departmental corporate services costs, the administration costs of the Department for Social Development executive agencies including the costs of administering services provided to the Department for Work and Pensions and other departments and on accommodation costs; costs incurred as part of the Welfare to Work initiative; on social security benefits including non-contributory retirement pensions, age related payments, over 70's payments, Christmas bonus payments

3,108,956,000

(+78,310,000)

Purpose Sums Granted (£)

to pensioners, attendance allowance, carer's allowance, severe disablement allowance, disability living allowance, disability working allowance; pensions, gratuities and sundry allowances for disablement and specified deaths arising from industrial causes; income support, pension credit, payments of spousal and child maintenance, family credit, jobseeker's allowance (income based), jobseeker's allowance (contribution based). back to work bonus, child maintenance bonus, payments of job grant; on grant in aid to the Independent Living Funds, grants to Motability towards their administrative costs and to enable them to assist invalid vehicle users and others to have adapted or to purchase or lease cars from them including funding of driving lessons for those invalid vehicle users transferring to the Motability Scheme; a grant to the Northern Ireland Housing Executive for the payment of rent rebate, rent allowance, rates rebate, discretionary payments of rent allowance and discretionary housing payments, sums payable for residual compensation payments to providers of existing supported accommodation; contributions towards the cost of paying assistance from the Financial Assistance Scheme; sums payable into the Social Fund for expenditure on community care grants, budgeting and crisis loans, maternity payments, funeral payments and cold weather and winter fuel payments; sums payable to the Northern Ireland National Insurance Fund as compensation payments in respect of statutory sick pay and statutory maternity pay; central administration costs relating to the Housing Programme; on housing services, including certain grants; on housing support under the Supporting People Programme, central administration costs relating to the Urban Regeneration and Community Development Programme: on urban regeneration including certain grants in aid and on other services such as promotional activities and events; community development including grants to voluntary bodies and statutory bodies; payments under the European Union Programme for Peace and Reconciliation; payments under the European Union Structural Funds Programmes

Purpose	Sums Granted (£)
OFFICE OF THE FIRST MINISTER AND DEPUTY FIRST MINISTER	
For expenditure by the Office of the First Minister and Deputy First Minister on support for government, the North/South Ministerial Council, the British Irish Council, the Civic Forum, expenses of the Planning Appeals Commission and the Water Appeals Commission, the Reinvestment and Reform Initiative including grant in aid to the Strategic Investment Board, promotion of equality of opportunity and social inclusion, the Equality Commission for Northern Ireland, community relations, district council programmes, the Northern Ireland Community Relations Council, victims, the Commissioner for Children and Young People for Northern Ireland, departmental administration and other services, payments under the European Union Programme for Peace and Reconciliation, grants and grants in aid.	63,256,000 (-10,134,000)
For expenditure by the Northern Ireland Assembly on remunerating and supporting Members of the Assembly in discharging their duties in their constituencies, in the Assembly and elsewhere; the costs of general administration including staff costs, general expenses and equipment, accommodation and other services ASSEMBLY OMBUDSMAN FOR NORTHERN IRELAND AND NORTHERN IRELAND COMMISSIONER FOR COMPLAINTS	25,921,000 (-15,477,000)
For expenditure by the Assembly Ombudsman for Northern Ireland and Northern Ireland Commissioner for Complaints on the costs of administration and other support services, for the provision of an independent, effective and free system for investigating complaints from individuals who claim to have suffered injustice through maladministration by Northern Ireland government departments, their agencies, public and local bodies and the Health and Personal Social Services; the provision of an independent investigative resource to support the work of the Committee on Standards and	1,227,000 (-83,000)

Privileges in dealing with complaints against Members of the Assembly.

FOOD STANDARDS AGENCY

For expenditure by the Food Standards Agency on the costs of administration and other support services in protecting public health from risks which may arise in connection with the consumption of food, and otherwise protecting the interests of consumers in relation to food including the range of food safety enforcement activities required under European Union and Northern Ireland legislation, facilitating and delivering training courses, commissioning surveys and participating in programmes to increase public awareness of food safety issues.

9,735,000

(+5,980,000)

NORTHERN IRELAND AUDIT OFFICE

For expenditure by the Northern Ireland Audit Office on the costs of administration and other support services in providing objective information, advice and assurance on the use of public funds; encouraging beneficial change in the provision of public services, the highest standards in financial management and reporting and propriety in the conduct of public business.

7,868,000

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NORTHERN IRELAND AUTHORITY FOR ENERGY REGULATIO

For expenditure by the Northern Ireland Authority for Energy Regulation on costs of the authority, administration costs, regulation of the electricity and gas industries, protection of electricity customers, promotion and development of the natural gas industry, duties and functions placed on the Northern Ireland Authority for Energy Regulation as set out in the Energy (Northern Ireland) Order 2003, the Electricity (Northern Ireland) Order 1992, the Gas (Northern Ireland) Order 1996, duties under the Competition Act 1998, administration of the Climate Change Levy renewable exemption scheme, the Electricity (Guarantees of origin of Electricity produced from Renewable Energy Sources) scheme, and the Renewables Obligation Order (Northern Ireland) 2005, the development of an all island electricity market, services to other departments and other miscellaneous duties which may arise

1,824,000

(+1,549,000)

Purpose	Sums Granted	
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TOTAL	10,838,418,000	
	(+55,075,000)	

SCHEDULE 2

Articles 4 and 5.

AMOUNTS OF RESOURCES AUTHORISED FOR USE AND AMOUNTS OF ACCRUING RESOURCES WHICH MAY BE USED IN YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH 2006

Purpose	Resources authorised for use (£)	Total Accruing Resources (£)
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT		(4)
A. For use by the Department	323,829,000	28,136,000
A. For use by the Department of Agriculture and Rural Development on development of the agriculture and agricultural products industries and alternative land uses, provision of education and training services to the Agrifood industry, provision of scientific and veterinary services, prevention and eradication of animal diseases, regional measures for farm support and enhancement of the countryside, rural development measures, market support, grants for capital and other improvements, support for agriculture in special areas, assistance to production and market development, flood defence measures, maintenance of watercourses, protection and conservation of	323,829,000 (-5,925,000)	28,136,000 (+10,926,000)
sea fisheries, implementation		
of the European Union Common Fisheries Policy		
and local fisheries policy,		
support operation of the		
Loughs Agency of the Foyle, Carlingford and Irish Lights		
Commission, protection		
and conservation of forests,		

Purpose	Resources authorised for use	Total Accruing Resources
	(£)	(\pounds)
extension of woodland area, promotion of recreational use of forest areas, supply and sale of timber, payments under the European Union Programme for Peace and Reconciliation, payments under the European Union Structural Funds Programmes, administration costs, repayment of loans and associated non-cash items.		
DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE, ARTS AND LEISURE		
A. For use by the Department of Culture, Arts and Leisure	112,857,00	7,890,000
on libraries (other than library services to schools), arts, the North/South Language Body, museums, the Public Record Office of Northern Ireland, Armagh Observatory and Planetarium, W5, the Northern Ireland Events Company, sports, inland fisheries, certain inland waterways (including payments to the Rivers Agency), Waterways Ireland, Ordnance Survey of Northern Ireland, administration and certain miscellaneous services, grants in aid to the education and library boards for certain library services, linguistic and cultural diversity, grants in aid to certain bodies, payments under the European Union Programme for Peace and Reconciliation, payments under the European Economic Area and provision for associated non-cash items. DEPARTMENT OF	(-7,357,000	(+450,000)
EDUCATION General		
A. For use by the Department	1,753,678,000	11,326,000
of Education on pre-school education, schools (including	(-8,743,000)	(-)

Purpose	Resources authorised for use	Total Accruing Resources
	(£)	(£)
library and support services for schools and pupils), other related services, and associated departmental administration and services; grants and grants in aid to education and library boards for certain services (including for core and school-related administration); grants and grants in aid to certain other bodies; payments by the Department in respect of certain teachers' salaries; repayment of loans; payments under the European Union Programme for Peace and Reconciliation and other European Union Structural Funds Programmes; and provision for associated non-cash items.		
B. For use by the Department of Education on the youth service, community relations measures for young people, millennium volunteers, other related services, and associated departmental administration and services; grants and grants in aid to education and library boards for youth service and community relations provision and directly associated administration; grants and grants in aid to certain other bodies; payments under the European Union Programme for Peace and Reconciliation and other European Union Structural Funds Programmes; and provision for associated non-cash items. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION	40,472,000 (+5,018,000)	375,000
Teachers' superannuation		
A. For use by the Department of Education on pensions, allowances, gratuities etc., certain payments to the	1,079,249,000 (+745,919,000)	157,751,000 (+5,185,000)

Purpose	Resources authorised for use (£)	Total Accruing Resources (£)
Northern Ireland National Insurance Fund, certain payments on behalf of the education and library boards and the Department for Employment and Learning, in respect of premature retirement compensation; and provision for associated non-cash items.		
DEPARTMENT FOR EMPLOYMENT AND LEARNIN		
A. For use by the Department for Employment and Learning	619,080,000	28,357,000
on higher education (including universities and colleges of education); further and adult education; youth and adult skills training; management and enterprise training; student support and other matters relating to tertiary education, including grants in aid to certain bodies, grants in respect of Educational Maintenance Allowances and certain payments to the Department of Education in respect of teachers' premature retirement compensation; repayment of loans; administration costs, including departmental research; and associated non-cash items	(-28,040,000)	(+9,018,000)
B. For use by the Department for Employment and Learning	127,361,000	382,000
on labour market services including employment law, tribunals and labour relations; employment schemes and services including those for people with disabilities; payments under the European Union Programme for Peace and Reconciliation and other European Union Structural Funds Programmes; administration costs, including	(+9,749,000)	(+84,000)

Purpose	Resources authorised for use (£)	Total Accruing Resources (£)
departmental research and associated non-cash items.		
DEPARTMENT OF ENTERPRISE, TRADE AND INVESTMENT		
A. For use by the Department of Enterprise, Trade and	263,084,000	2,952,000
Investment on administration costs, economic development, policy and research, energy and minerals, economic infrastructure in support of economic development, renewable energy, grant payment to Invest NI, development of tourism, Tourism Ireland Ltd, InterTradeIreland, payments under European Union Structural Funds Programmes, payments under the European Union Programme for Peace and Reconciliation, business regulation, health and safety, assistance to the aircraft and shipbuilding industries, repayment of loan interest, assistance to the gas and electricity industries (including the residual costs in connection with the privatisation of the electricity industry in Northern Ireland), associated noncash costs and other related services, including grants in aid.	(+211,000)	(+476,000)
FINANCE AND PERSONNEL		
General		
A. For use by the Department of Finance and Personnel	186,149,000	33,807,000
on central financial administration, operational and programme costs of the Special European Union Programmes Body, payments under the European Union Structural	(+9,837,000)	(+3,848,000)

Purpose	Resources authorised for use	Total Accruing Resources
	(£)	(£)
Funds Programmes, central personnel management of the Northern Ireland Civil Service, the Central Procurement Directorate, the Departmental Solicitors' Office, the Northern Ireland Statistics and Research Agency, the Business Development Service, Office Estates and Building Standards Division, payments of Energy Efficiency grants to District Councils, administration of centralised funds, Departmental administration costs, grant in aid, other common services and associated non-cash items		
B. For use by the Department	23,624,000	22,148,000
of Finance and Personnel on the General Register Office, the Valuation and Lands Agency, the Rate Collection Agency, the Office of Law Reform, the Land Registers of Northern Ireland, the Lands Tribunal, Departmental administration costs, grant in aid, other common services and associated non-cash items.	(-5,496,000)	(+4,986,000)
DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND PERSONNEL		
Superannuation and other allowances		
A. For use by the Department	1,151,518,000	180,022,000
of Finance and Personnel on pensions, lump sums and gratuities to persons covered by the Principal Civil Service Pension Scheme, civil pensions and gratuities and associated non-cash items.	(+942,107,000)	(+12,432,000)
DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND PERSONNEL		

Purpose	Resources authorised for use (£)	Total Accruing Resources (£)
The North/South Pension Scheme		
A. For use by the Department of Finance and Personnel on	15,000,000	32,000,000
the Northern Ireland share of pensions, lump sums and gratuities to or in respect of persons covered by the North/ South Pension Scheme and associated non-cash items.	(+14,999,000)	(+32,000,000)
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, SOCIAL SERVICES AND PUBLIC SAFETY		
General		
A. For use by the Department of Health, Social Services	2,982,101,000	538,267,000
and Public Safety on policy development, hospital, community health and personal social services, Health and Social Services Trusts, family health services, Health Estates Agency, training, welfare foods, grants to voluntary bodies, centrally financed services, the Food Safety Promotion Board, special initiatives, the European Union Programme for Peace and Reconciliation and other European Union Structural Funds Programmes, repayment of loans, administration, related services and associated non-cash items.	(-53,872,000)	(+84,705,000)
B. For use by the Department of Health, Social Services and	72,999,000	_
Public Safety on fire services, administration and associated non-cash items	(+3,367,000)	(-)
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, SOCIAL SERVICES AND PUBLIC SAFETY		
Health and personal social services superannuation		

Purpose	Resources authorised for use (£)	Total Accruing Resources (£)
A. For use by the Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety on superannuation benefits to or in respect of persons engaged in the health and personal social services or in other approved employment.	1,427,963,000 (+302,205,000)	165,137,000 (+10,895,000)
DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT		
A. For use by the Department of the Environment on conservation; natural heritage; built heritage; environmental legislation and protection; planning services; grants to district councils in support of local services, waste management and construction product enforcement regulations; payments to Local Government Staff Commission; road safety services, driver and vehicle licensing, driver and vehicle licensing, transport licensing and enforcement; consultants' fees, computer hardware and software, purchase of equipment, plant and vehicles; payments under European Union Structural Funds Programmes; departmental administration costs, repayment of loans and associated non-cash items.	154,800,000 (+82,000)	42,692,000 (+9,152,000)
DEPARTMENT FOR REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT		
A. For use by the Department for Regional Development on support for the Roads Service including design, construction and maintenance of roads, bridges, footpaths, street lighting and car parks; purchase of land, property, vehicles, plant, equipment and	1,395,787,000 (+317,788,000)	22,836,000 (+5,981,000)

Purpose	Resources authorised for use (£)	Total Accruing Resources (£)
stores; public liability claims; provision, operation and maintenance of the Strangford Ferry; support for air and sea ports including salary, wages and other costs in respect of the Donaghadee Harbour; grants in respect of the Rathlin Island ferry service and works to Ballycastle and Rathlin Harbours; support for transport services including current and capital grants in respect of rail and road passenger services including fare concessions, fuel duty rebate, transport for people with disabilities, rural transport, provision and maintenance of bus shelters, purchase of buses and rolling stock and capital works; support for regional planning, transport planning and visioning; energy matters; consultants' and other fees; research and development; salaries, wages, general administrative expenses and central administration costs; certain early retirement and compensation payments; graphics unit; computer hardware and software; office machinery and equipment; related services including services to other departments; payments under European Union Programme for Peace and Reconciliation; repayment of loans and associated non-cash items		
B. For use by the Department for Regional Development on support for the Water	457,527,000 (+22,406,000)	46,550,000 (+76,000)
Service including design, construction and maintenance of water supply and sewage disposal systems; purchase		

Purpose Resources authorised for use Total Accruing Resources

(£)

of land, property, vehicles

of land, property, vehicles, plant, equipment and stores; repayment of loans inherited from former water and sewerage authorities; expenses of the Northern Ireland Water Council; costs associated with Water Reform; consultants' and other fees; research and development; salaries, wages, general administrative expenses and central administration costs; graphics unit; computer hardware and software, office machinery and equipment; payments under European Union Structural Funds Programmes; related services; repayment of loans and associated non-cash items.

DEPARTMENT FOR SOCIAL DEVELOPMEN

A. For use by the Department for Social Development on central administration costs relating to the Social Security and Child Support Programmes including a grant to the Northern Ireland Housing Executive for administering the Housing Benefit Scheme, Departmental corporate services costs, the administration costs of the Department for Social Development executive agencies including the costs of administering services provided to the Department for Work and Pensions and other departments and on accommodation costs; costs incurred as part of the Welfare to Work initiative; on social security benefits including non-contributory retirement pensions, age related payments, over 70's payments, Christmas bonus payments to pensioners, attendance

2,593,460,000 99,388,000

(+32,426,000) (+4,786,000)

Purpose Resources authorised for use Total Accruing Resources (£) (£)

allowance, carer's allowance, severe disablement allowance, disability living allowance, disability working allowance; pensions, gratuities and sundry allowances for disablement and specified deaths arising from industrial causes; income support, pension credit, payments of spousal and child maintenance, family credit, jobseeker's allowance (income based), jobseeker's allowance (contribution based), back to work bonus, child maintenance bonus, payments of job grant; on grant in aid to the Independent Living Funds, grants to Motability towards their administrative costs and to enable them to assist invalid vehicle users and others to have adapted or to purchase or lease cars from them including funding of driving lessons for those invalid vehicle users transferring to the Motability Scheme; a grant to the Northern Ireland Housing Executive for the payment of rent rebate, rent allowance, rates rebate, discretionary payments of rent allowance and discretionary housing payments, sums payable for residual compensation payments to providers of existing supported accommodation; contributions towards the cost of paying assistance from the Financial Assistance Scheme; sums payable into the Social Fund for expenditure on community care grants, budgeting and crisis loans, maternity payments, funeral payments and cold weather and winter fuel payments; sums payable to the Northern Ireland National Insurance Fund as

Purpose	Resources authorised for use (£)	Total Accruing Resources (£)
compensation payments in respect of statutory sick pay and statutory maternity pay; and associated non-cash items		
B. For use by the Department for Social Development	144,052,000	223,982,000
on central administration costs relating to the Housing Programme; on housing services, including certain grants; on housing support under the Supporting People Programme and associated non-cash items.	(+35,425,000)	(+15,111,000)
C. For use by the Department for Social Development	96,960,000	7,974,000
on central administration costs relating to the Urban Regeneration and Community Development Programme; on urban regeneration including certain grants in aid and on other services such as promotional activities and events; community development including grants to voluntary bodies and statutory bodies; payments under the European Union Programme for Peace and Reconciliation; payments under the European Union Structural Funds Programmes; and associated non-cash items. OFFICE OF THE FIRST MINISTER AND DEPUTY	(+13,192,000)	(+1,957,000)
FIRST MINISTER A. For use by the Office of	30,457,000	56,000
the First Minister and Deputy First Minister on support for government, the North/South Ministerial Council, the British Irish Council, the Civic Forum, expenses of the Planning Appeals Commission and the Water Appeals Commission, the Reinvestment and Reform Initiative including grant in aid to the Strategic Investment	(-3,167,000)	(-)

Purpose	Resources authorised for use	Total Accruing Resources
D 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	(£)	(£)
Board, administration and other services, grants and associated non-cash items.		
B. For use by the Office of the First Minister and Deputy	36,309,00	-
First Minister on promotion of equality of opportunity and social inclusion, the Equality Commission for Northern Ireland, community relations, district council programmes, the Northern Ireland Community Relations Council, victims, the Commissioner for Children and Young People for Northern Ireland, administration and other services, payments under the European Union Programme for Peace and Reconciliation, grants and grants in aid and associated non-cash items.	(-564,000	
NORTHERN IRELAND ASSEMBLY	24.056.000	10.000
A. For use by the Northern Ireland Assembly on	34,056,000	10,000
remunerating and supporting Members of the Assembly in discharging their duties in their constituencies, in the Assembly and elsewhere, the costs of general administration including staff costs, general expenses and equipment, accommodation, other services and associated non-cash items.	(-13,600,000)	(-)
ASSEMBLY OMBUDSMAN FOR NORTHERN IRELAND AND NORTHERN IRELAND COMMISSIONER FOR COMPLAINTS		
A. For use by the Assembly Ombudsman for Northern	1,251,000	-
Ireland and Northern Ireland Commissioner for Complaints on the costs of administration and other support services	(-75,000)	(-)

Purpose	Resources authorised for use (£)	Total Accruing Resources (£)
including associated non-cash items, for the provision of an independent, effective and free system for investigating complaints from individuals who claim to have suffered injustice through maladministration by Northern Ireland government departments, their agencies, public and local bodies and the Health and Personal Social Services; the provision of an independent investigative resource to support the work of the Committee on Standards and Privileges in dealing with complaints against Members of the Assembly.		
FOOD STANDARDS AGENCY		
A. For use by the Food Standards Agency on the costs of administration and other support services in protecting public health from risks which may arise in connection with the consumption of food, and otherwise protecting the interests of consumers in relation to food including the range of food safety enforcement activities required under European Union and Northern Ireland delivering training courses, commissioning surveys and participating in programmes to increase public awareness of food safety issues and on related services and non-cash items.	8,446,000 (+4,651,000)	3,374,000 (+3,374,000)
NORTHERN IRELAND AUDIT OFFIC		
A. For use by the Northern Ireland Audit Office on the costs of administration and other support services	8,043,000 (-)	1,868,000

Purpose	Resources authorised for use (£)	Total Accruing Resources (£)
including associated non-cash items of the Northern Ireland Audit Office in providing objective information, advice and assurance on the use of public funds; encouraging beneficial change in the provision of public services, the highest standards in financial management and reporting and propriety in the conduct of public business NORTHERN IRELAND		
AUTHORITY FOR ENERGY REGULATION		
A. For use by the Northern Ireland Authority for Energy Regulation on costs of the authority, administration costs, regulation of the electricity and gas industries, protection of electricity customers, promotion and development of the natural gas industry, duties and functions placed on the Northern Ireland Authority for Energy Regulation as set out in the Energy (Northern Ireland) Order 2003, the Electricity (Northern Ireland) Order 1992, the Gas (Northern Ireland) Order 1996, duties under the Competition Act 1998, administration of the Climate Change Levy renewable exemption scheme, the Electricity (Guarantees of origin of Electricity produced from Renewable Energy Sources) scheme and the Renewables Obligation Order (Northern Ireland) 2005,	1,534,000 (+1,376,000)	2,000,000 (-543,000)
development of an all island energy market, services to other departments, other miscellaneous duties which may arise and associated non- cash items.		

1,659,280,000

15,441,646,000

TOTAL

Purpose	Resources authorised for use	Total Accruing Resources
	(\mathfrak{t})	(\mathfrak{t})
	(+2,333,919,000)	(+214,899,000)

SCHEDULE 3

Article 6.

SUMS GRANTED FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH 2007

Purpose	Sums Granted
	(£)

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT

For expenditure by the Department of Agriculture and Rural Development on development of the agriculture and agricultural products industries and alternative land uses, provision of education and training services to the Agri-food industry, provision of scientific and veterinary services, prevention and eradication of animal diseases, regional measures for farm support and enhancement of the countryside, rural development measures, market support, grants for capital and other improvements, support for agriculture in special areas, assistance to production and market development, flood defence measures, maintenance of watercourses, protection and conservation of sea fisheries, implementation of the European Union Common Fisheries Policy and local fisheries policy, support operation of the Loughs Agency of the Foyle, Carlingford and Irish Lights Commission, protection and conservation of forests, extension of woodland area, promotion of recreational use of forest areas, supply and sale of timber, payments under the European Union Programme for Peace and Reconciliation, payments under the European Union Structural Funds Programmes, administration costs, and repayment of loans.

DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE, ARTS AND LEISURE

For expenditure by the Department of Culture, Arts and Leisure on libraries (other than library services to schools), arts, the North/South Language Body, museums, the Public Record Office of Northern Ireland, Armagh Observatory and Planetarium, W5, the Northern Ireland Events Company, sports,

131,505,00

50,048,000

inland fisheries, certain inland waterways (including payments to the Rivers Agency), Waterways Ireland, Ordnance Survey of Northern Ireland, administration and certain miscellaneous services, grants in aid to education and library boards for certain library services, linguistic and cultural diversity, grants in aid to certain bodies, and payments under the European Union Programme for Peace and Reconciliation and payments under the European Economic Area.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

General

For expenditure by the Department of Education on pre-school education, schools (including library and support services for schools and pupils), other related services, certain services for children and young people, and associated departmental administration and services; grants and grants in aid to education and library boards for certain services (including for core and schoolrelated administration); grants and grants in aid to certain other bodies; payments by the Department in respect of certain teachers' salaries; repayment of loans; the youth service, community relations measures for young people, millennium volunteers, other related services, and associated departmental administration and services; grants and grants in aid to education and library boards for youth service and community relations provision and directly associated administration; grants and grants in aid to certain other bodies for youth service and community relations provision; and payments under the European Union Programme for Peace and Reconciliation and other European Union Structural Funds Programmes for schools, youth service and community relations provision.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Teachers' superannuation

For expenditure by the Department of Education on pensions, allowances, gratuities etc., certain payments to the Northern Ireland National Insurance Fund, and certain payments on behalf of the education and library boards and the Department for Employment and

806,146,000

35,442,000

365,126,000

Learning, in respect of premature retirement compensation

DEPARTMENT FOR EMPLOYMENT AND LEARNING

For expenditure by the Department for Employment and Learning on higher education (including universities and colleges of education); further and adult education; youth and adult skills training; management and enterprise training; student support and other matters relating to tertiary education, including grants in aid to certain bodies. grants in respect of Educational Maintenance Allowances and certain payments to the Department of Education in respect of teachers' premature retirement compensation; repayment of loans; labour market services including employment law, tribunals and labour relations; employment schemes and services including those for people with disabilities; payments under the European Union Programme for Peace and Reconciliation and other European Union Structural Funds Programmes; and, administration costs, including departmental research.

DEPARTMENT OF ENTERPRISE, TRADE AND INVESTMENT

For expenditure by the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Investment on administration costs, economic development, policy and research, energy and minerals, economic infrastructure in support of economic development, renewable energy, grant payment to Invest NI, development of tourism, Tourism Ireland Ltd, InterTradeIreland, payments under European Union Structural Funds Programmes, payments under the European Union Programme for Peace and Reconciliation, business regulation, health and safety, assistance to the aircraft and shipbuilding industries, repayment of loan interest, assistance to the gas and electricity industries (including the residual costs in connection with the privatisation of the electricity industry in Northern Ireland) and other related services, including grants in aid.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND PERSONNEL

120,811,000

Purpose	Sums Granted (£)
General	(4)
For expenditure by the Department of Finance and Personnel on central financial administration, operational and programme costs of the Special European Union Programmes Body, payments under the European Union Structural Funds Programmes, central personnel management of the Northern Ireland Civil Service, the Central Procurement Directorate, the Departmental Solicitors' Office, the Northern Ireland Statistics and Research Agency, the Business Development Service, Office Estates and Buildings Standards Division, payments of Energy Efficiency grants to District Councils, administration of centralised funds, the General Register Office, the Valuation and Lands Agency, the Rate Collection Agency, the Office of Law Reform, the Land Registers of Northern Ireland, the Lands Tribunal, Departmental administration costs, grant in aid and other common services.	98,939,00
DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND PERSONNEL	
Superannuation and other allowances	
For expenditure by the Department of Finance and Personnel on pensions, lump sums and gratuities to persons covered by the Principal Civil Service Pension Scheme, civil pensions and gratuities. DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND	15,000,000
PERSONNEL	
The North/South Pension Scheme	T 0 10 000
For expenditure by the Department of Finance and Personnel on the Northern Ireland share of pensions, lump sums and gratuities to or in respect of persons covered by the North/South Pension Scheme.	5,940,000
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, SOCIAL SERVICES AND PUBLIC SAFETY	
General	
For expenditure by the Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety on policy development, hospital, community health and personal social services, Health and Social Services Trusts, family health services, Health	1,383,521,000

Estates Agency, training, welfare foods, grants to voluntary bodies, grants to district councils, centrally financed services, the Food Safety Promotion Board, special initiatives, the European Union Programme for Peace and Reconciliation and other European Union Structural Funds Programmes, repayment of loans, administration, related services and fire services.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, SOCIAL SERVICES AND PUBLIC SAFETY

Health and personal social services superannuation

For expenditure by the Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety on superannuation benefits to or in respect of persons engaged in the health and personal social services or in other approved employment.

2,286,000

DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT

For expenditure by the Department of the Environment on conservation; natural heritage; built heritage; environmental legislation and protection; planning services; grants to district councils in support of local services. waste management and construction product enforcement regulations; payments to Local Government Staff Commission; road safety services, driver and vehicle licensing, driver and vehicle testing, transport licensing and enforcement; consultants' fees, computer hardware and software, purchase of equipment, plant and vehicles; payments under European Union Structural Funds Programmes; repayment of loans and departmental administration costs

64,299,000

DEPARTMENT FOR REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT

For expenditure by the Department for Regional Development on support for the Roads Service including design, construction and maintenance of roads, bridges, footpaths, street lighting and car parks; purchase of land, property, vehicles, plant, equipment and stores; public liability claims; costs associated with the decriminalisation of parking enforcement; provision, operation and maintenance of the

362,970,000

Strangford Ferry; support for air and sea ports including salary, wages and other costs in respect of the Donaghadee Harbour; grants in respect of the Rathlin Island ferry service and works to Ballycastle and Rathlin Harbours; support for transport services including current and capital grants in respect of rail and road passenger services including fare concessions, fuel duty rebate, transport for people with disabilities, rural transport, provision and maintenance of bus shelters, purchase of buses and rolling stock and capital works; support for regional planning, transport planning and visioning; energy matters; consultants' and other fees; research and development; salaries, wages, general administrative expenses and central administration costs; certain early retirement and compensation payments; graphics unit; computer hardware and software; office machinery and equipment; related services including services to other departments; payments under European Union Structural Fund Programmes; payments under European Union Programme for Peace and Reconciliation; repayment of loans; the Water Service including design, construction and maintenance of water supply and sewage disposal systems; purchase of land, property, vehicles, plant, equipment and stores; repayment of loans inherited from former water and sewerage authorities; expenses of the Northern Ireland Water Council and costs associated with Water Reform.

DEPARTMENT FOR SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT

For expenditure by the Department for Social Development on central administration costs relating to the Social Security and Child Support Programmes including a grant to the Northern Ireland Housing Executive for administering the Housing Benefit Scheme, Departmental corporate services costs, the administration costs of the Department for Social Development executive agencies including the costs of administering services provided to the Department for Work and Pensions and other departments and on accommodation costs; costs incurred as part of the Welfare to Work initiative; on social security benefits including non-contributory

1,399,030,00

Purpose Sums Granted (£)

retirement pensions, age related payments, over 70's payments, Christmas bonus payments to pensioners, attendance allowance, carer's allowance, severe disablement allowance, disability living allowance, disability working allowance; pensions, gratuities and sundry allowances for disablement and specified deaths arising from industrial causes; income support, pension credit, payments of spousal and child maintenance, family credit, jobseeker's allowance (income based), jobseeker's allowance (contribution based), back to work bonus, child maintenance bonus, payments of job grant; on grant in aid to the Independent Living Funds, grants to Motability towards their administrative costs and to enable them to assist invalid vehicle users and others to have adapted or to purchase or lease cars from them including funding of driving lessons for those invalid vehicle users transferring to the Motability Scheme; a grant to the Northern Ireland Housing Executive for the payment of rent rebate, rent allowance, rates rebate, discretionary payments of rent allowance and discretionary housing payments, sums payable for residual compensation payments to providers of existing supported accommodation; contributions towards the cost of paying assistance from the Financial Assistance Scheme; sums payable into the Social Fund for expenditure on community care grants, budgeting and crisis loans, maternity payments, funeral payments and cold weather and winter fuel payments; sums payable to the Northern Ireland National Insurance Fund as compensation payments in respect of statutory sick pay and statutory maternity pay; central administration costs relating to the Housing Programme; on housing services, including certain grants; on housing support under the Supporting People Programme, central administration costs relating to the Urban Regeneration and Community Development Programme; on urban regeneration including certain grants in aid and other services such as promotional activities and events; community development including grants to voluntary bodies and statutory bodies; payments under the European Union Programme for Peace and

Reconciliation, payments under the European Union Structural Funds Programmes.

OFFICE OF THE FIRST MINISTER AND DEPUTY FIRST MINISTER

For expenditure by the Office of the First Minister and Deputy First Minister on support for government, the North/South Ministerial Council, the British Irish Council, the Civic Forum, expenses of the Planning Appeals Commission and the Water Appeals Commission, the Reinvestment and Reform Initiative including grant in aid to the Strategic Investment Board, promotion of equality of opportunity and social inclusion, the Equality Commission for Northern Ireland, community relations, district council programmes, the Northern Ireland Community Relations Council, victims, the Commissioner for Children and Young People for Northern Ireland, departmental administration and other services, payments under the European Union Programme for Peace and Reconciliation, grants and grants in aid.

28,465,000

NORTHERN IRELAND ASSEMBLY

For expenditure by the Northern Ireland Assembly on remunerating and supporting Members of the Assembly in discharging their duties in their constituencies, in the Assembly and elsewhere; the costs of general administration including staff costs, general expenses and equipment, accommodation and other services.

19,441,000

ASSEMBLY OMBUDSMAN FOR NORTHERN IRELAND AND NORTHERN IRELAND COMMISSIONER FOR COMPLAINT

For expenditure by the Assembly Ombudsman for Northern Ireland and Northern Ireland Commissioner for Complaints on the costs of administration and other support services, for the provision of an independent, effective and free system for investigating complaints from individuals who claim to have suffered injustice through maladministration by Northern Ireland government departments, their agencies, public and local bodies and the Health and Personal Social Services; the provision of an independent investigative resource to support

552,000

the work of the Committee on Standards and Privileges in dealing with complaints against Members of the Assembly

FOOD STANDARDS AGENCY

For expenditure by the Food Standards Agency on the costs of administration and other support services in protecting public health from risks which may arise in connection with the consumption of food, and otherwise protecting the interests of consumers in relation to food including the range of food safety enforcement activities required under European Union and Northern Ireland legislation, facilitating and delivering training courses, commissioning surveys and participating in programmes to increase public awareness of food safety issues.

NORTHERN IRELAND AUDIT OFFICE

For expenditure by the Northern Ireland Audit Office on the costs of administration and other support services in providing objective information, advice and assurance on the use of public funds; encouraging beneficial change in the provision of public services, the highest standards in financial management and reporting and propriety in the conduct of public business.

NORTHERN IRELAND AUTHORITY FOR ENERGY REGULATION

For expenditure by the Northern Ireland Authority for Energy Regulation on costs of the authority, administration costs, regulation of the electricity and gas industries, protection of electricity customers, promotion and development of the natural gas industry, duties and functions placed on the Northern Ireland Authority for Energy Regulation as set out in the Energy (Northern Ireland) Order 2003, the Electricity (Northern Ireland) Order 1992, the Gas (Northern Ireland) Order 1996, duties under the Competition Act 1998, administration of the Climate Change Levy renewable exemption scheme, the Electricity (Guarantees of origin of Electricity produced from Renewable Energy Sources) scheme and the Renewables Obligation Order (Northern Ireland) 2005, development of the all-island energy market, services to other departments

4,380,000

3,541,000

1,368,000

Purpose	Sums Granted
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and other miscellaneous duties which may	
arise.	
TOTAL	4,898,810,000

SCHEDULE 4

Article 8.

AMOUNTS OF RESOURCES AUTHORISED FOR USE IN THE YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH 2007

Purpose	Resources authorised for use
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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT

A. For expenditure by the Department of Agriculture and Rural Development on development of the agriculture and agricultural products industries and alternative land uses, provision of education and training services to the Agri-food industry, provision of scientific and veterinary services, prevention and eradication of animal diseases, regional measures for farm support and enhancement of the countryside, rural development measures, market support, grants for capital and other improvements, support for agriculture in special areas, assistance to production and market development, flood defence measures, maintenance of watercourses, protection and conservation of sea fisheries, implementation of the European Union Common Fisheries Policy and local fisheries policy, support operation of the Loughs Agency of the Foyle, Carlingford and Irish Lights Commission, protection and conservation of forests, extension of woodland area, promotion of recreational use of forest areas, supply and sale of timber, payments under the European Union Programme for Peace and Reconciliation, payments under the European Union Structural Funds Programmes, administration costs, repayment of loans and associated non-cash items.

DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE, ARTS AND LEISURE

A. For use by the Department of Culture, Arts and Leisure on libraries (other than library services to schools), arts, the North/ 145,723,000

50,786,000

Purpose

Resources authorised for use

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South Language Body, museums, the Public Record Office of Northern Ireland, Armagh Observatory and Planetarium, W5, the Northern Ireland Events Company, sports, inland fisheries, certain inland waterways (including payments to the Rivers Agency), Waterways Ireland, Ordnance Survey of Northern Ireland, administration and certain miscellaneous services, grants in aid to the education and library boards for certain library services, linguistic and cultural diversity, grants in aid to certain bodies, payments under the European Union Programme for Peace and Reconciliation, payments under the European Economic Area and provision for associated non-cash items.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

General

A. For use by the Department of Education on pre-school education, schools (including library and support services for schools and pupils), other related services, certain services for children and young people, and associated departmental administration and services; grants and grants in aid to education and library boards for certain services (including for core and school-related administration); grants and grants in aid to certain other bodies; payments by the Department in respect of certain teachers' salaries; repayment of loans; payments under the European Union Programme for Peace and Reconciliation and other European Union Structural Funds Programmes; and provision for associated noncash items.

B. For use by the Department of Education on the youth service, community relations measures for young people, millennium volunteers, other related services and associated departmental administration and services; grants and grants in aid to education and library boards for youth service and community relations provision and directly associated administration; grants and grants in aid to certain other bodies; payments under the European Union Programme for Peace and Reconciliation and other European Union

789,155,000

18,212,000

Purpose	Resources authorised for use
	(£)

Structural Funds Programmes; and provision for associated non-cash items

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Teachers' superannuation

A. For use by the Department of Education on pensions, allowances, gratuities etc., certain payments to the Northern Ireland National Insurance Fund, certain payments on behalf of the education and library boards and the Department for Employment and Learning, in respect of premature retirement compensation; and provision for associated non-cash items

215,662,000

DEPARTMENT FOR EMPLOYMENT AND LEARNING

A. For use by the Department for Employment and Learning on higher education (including universities and colleges of education); further and adult education; youth and adult skills training; management and enterprise training; student support and other matters relating to tertiary education, including grants in aid to certain bodies, grants in respect of Educational Maintenance Allowances and certain payments to the Department of Education in respect of teachers' premature retirement compensation; repayment of loans; administration costs, including departmental research; and associated non-cash items.

278,586,000

B. For use by the Department for Employment and Learning on labour market services including employment law, tribunals and labour relations; employment schemes and services including those for people with disabilities; payments under the European Union Programme for Peace and Reconciliation and other European Union Structural Funds Programmes; administration costs, including departmental research; and associated non-cash items.

57,312,000

DEPARTMENT OF ENTERPRISE, TRADE AND INVESTMEN

A. For use by the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Investment on administration costs, economic development, policy and research, energy and minerals, economic infrastructure in support of economic development, renewable energy, grant payment to Invest 118,388,000

Purpose

Resources authorised for use (£)

Northern Ireland, development of tourism, Tourism Ireland Ltd, InterTradeIreland, payments under European Union Structural Funds Programmes, payments under the European Union Programme for Peace and Reconciliation, business regulation, health and safety, assistance to aircraft and shipbuilding industries, repayment of loan interest, assistance to the gas and electricity industries (including residual costs in connection with the privatisation of the electricity industry in Northern Ireland), associated non-cash costs and other related services, including grants in aid

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND PERSONNEL

General

A. For use by the Department of Finance and Personnel on central financial administration, operational and programme costs of the Special European Union Programmes Body, payments under the European Union Structural Funds Programmes, central personnel management of the Northern Ireland Civil Service, the Central Procurement Directorate, the Departmental Solicitors' Office, the Northern Ireland Statistics and Research Agency, the Business Development Service, Office Estates and Building Standards Division, payments of Energy Efficiency grants to District Councils, administration of centralised funds, Departmental administration costs, grant in aid, other common services and associated non-cash items.

B. For use by the Department of Finance and Personnel on the General Register Office, the Valuation and Lands Agency, the Rate Collection Agency, the Office of Law Reform, the Land Registers of Northern Ireland, the Lands Tribunal, Departmental administration costs, grant in aid, other common services and associated non-cash items.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND PERSONNEL

Superannuation and other allowances

A. For use by the Department of Finance and Personnel on pensions, lump sums and

83,767,000

10,631,000

518,183,000

Resources authorised for use Purpose gratuities to persons covered by the Principal Civil Service Pension Scheme, civil pensions and gratuities and associated non-cash items. DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND PERSONNEL The North/South Pension Scheme 6,750,000 A. For use by the Department of Finance and Personnel on the Northern Ireland share of pensions, lump sums and gratuities to or in respect of persons covered by the North/South Pension Scheme and associated non-cash items. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, SOCIAL SERVICES AND PUBLIC SAFETY General A. For use by the Department of Health, 1,341,945,000 Social Services and Public Safety on policy development, hospital, community health and personal social services, Health and Social Services Trusts, family health services, Health Estates Agency, training, welfare foods, grants to voluntary bodies, grants to district councils, centrally financed services, the Food Safety Promotion Board, special initiatives, the European Union Programme for Peace and Reconciliation and other European Union Structural Funds Programmes, repayment of loans, administration, related services and associated non-cash items B. For use by the Department of Health, Social 32,850,000 Services and Public Safety on fire services, administration and associated non-cash items. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, SOCIAL SERVICES AND PUBLIC SAFETY Health and personal social services superannuation A. For use by the Department of Health, Social 237,583,000 Services and Public Safety on superannuation benefits to or in respect of persons engaged in the health and personal social services or in other approved employment. DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT A. For use by the Department of the 69,660,000 Environment on conservation; natural heritage;

built heritage; environmental legislation and protection; planning services; grants to

Purpose

Resources authorised for use

district councils in support of local services, waste management and construction product enforcement regulations; payments to Local Government Staff Commission; road safety services, driver and vehicle licensing, driver and vehicle testing, transport licensing and enforcement; consultants' fees, computer hardware and software, purchase of equipment, plant and vehicles; payments under European Union Structural Funds Programmes; departmental administration costs, repayment of loans and associated non-cash items.

DEPARTMENT FOR REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT

A. For use by the Department for Regional Development on support for the Roads Service including design, construction and maintenance of roads, bridges, footpaths, street lighting and car parks; purchase of land, property. vehicles, plant, equipment and stores; public liability claims; costs associated with the decriminalisation of parking enforcement; provision, operation and maintenance of the Strangford Ferry; support for air and sea ports including salary, wages and other costs in respect of the Donaghadee Harbour; grants in respect of the Rathlin Island ferry service and works to Ballycastle and Rathlin Harbours; support for transport services including current and capital grants in respect of rail and road passenger services including fare concessions, fuel duty rebate, transport for people with disabilities, rural transport, provision and maintenance of bus shelters, purchase of buses and rolling stock and capital works; support for regional planning, transport planning and visioning; energy matters; consultants' and other fees; research and development; salaries and wages, general administrative expenses and central administration costs; certain early retirement and compensation payments; graphics unit; computer hardware and software; office machinery and equipment; related services including services to other departments; payments under European Union Structural Funds Programmes; payments under European Union Programme for Peace and Reconciliation; repayment of loans and associated non-cash item

628,104,000

Purpose	Resources authorised for use
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205,887,000

B. For use by the Department for Regional Development on support for the Water Service including design, construction and maintenance of water supply and sewage disposal systems; purchase of land, property, vehicles, plant, equipment and stores; repayment of loans inherited from former water and sewerage authorities; expenses of the Northern Ireland Water Council; costs associated with Water Reform; consultants' and other fees; research and development; salaries, wages, general administrative expenses and central administration costs; graphics unit; computer hardware and software, office machinery and equipment; payments under European Union Structural Funds Programmes; related services; repayment of loans and associated non-cash item

DEPARTMENT FOR SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT

A. For use by the Department for Social Development on central administration costs relating to the Social Security and Child Support Programmes including a grant to the Northern Ireland Housing Executive for administering the Housing Benefit Scheme. Departmental corporate services costs, the administration costs of the Department for Social Development executive agencies including the costs of administering services provided to the Department for Work and Pensions and other departments and on accommodation costs; costs incurred as part of the Welfare to Work initiative; on social security benefits including non-contributory retirement pensions, age related payments, over 70's payments, Christmas bonus payments to pensioners, attendance allowance, carer's allowance, severe disablement allowance, disability living allowance, disability working allowance; pensions, gratuities and sundry allowances for disablement and specified deaths arising from industrial causes; income support, pension credit, payments of spousal and child maintenance, family credit, jobseeker's allowance (income based), jobseeker's allowance (contribution based), back to work bonus, child maintenance bonus, payments of job grant; on grant in aid to the

1,167,057,000

Purpose

Resources authorised for use

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Independent Living Funds, grants to Motability towards their administrative costs and to enable them to assist invalid vehicle users and others to have adapted or to purchase or lease cars from them including funding of driving lessons for those invalid vehicle users transferring to the Motability Scheme; a grant to the Northern Ireland Housing Executive for the payment of rent rebate, rent allowance, rates rebate, discretionary payments of rent allowance and discretionary housing payments, sums payable for residual compensation payments to providers of existing supported accommodation; contributions towards the cost of paying assistance from the Financial Assistance Scheme; sums payable into the Social Fund for expenditure on community care grants, budgeting and crisis loans, maternity payments, funeral payments and cold weather and winter fuel payments; sums payable to the Northern Ireland National Insurance Fund as compensation payments in respect of statutory sick pay and statutory maternity pay; and associated non-cash ite

B. For use by the Department for Social Development on central administration costs relating to the Housing Programme; on housing services, including certain grants; on housing support under the Supporting People Programme and associated non-cash items.

C. For use by the Department for Social Development on central administration costs relating to the Urban Regeneration and Community Development Programme; on urban regeneration including certain grants in aid and on other services such as promotional activities and events; community development including grants to voluntary bodies and statutory bodies; payments under the European Union Programme for Peace and Reconciliation, payments under the European Union Structural Funds Programmes; and associated non-cash items.

OFFICE OF THE FIRST MINISTER AND DEPUTY FIRST MINISTER

A. For use by the Office of the First Minister and Deputy First Minister on support for government, the North/South Ministerial Council, the British Irish Council, the

199,823,000

43,632,000

13,706,000

Purpose	Resources authorised for use
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Civic Forum, expenses of the Planning Appeals Commission and the Water Appeals Commission, the Reinvestment and Reform Initiative including grant in aid to the Strategic Investment Board, administration and other services, grants and associated non-cash items.

B. For use by the Office of the First Minister and Deputy First Minister, on promotion of equality of opportunity and social inclusion, the Equality Commission for Northern Ireland, community relations, district council programmes, the Northern Ireland Community Relations Council, victims, the Commissioner for Children and Young People for Northern Ireland, administration and other services, payments under the European Union Programme for Peace and Reconciliation, grants and grants in aid and associated noncash items.

16,340,000

NORTHERN IRELAND ASSEMBLY

A. For use by the Northern Ireland Assembly on remunerating and supporting Members of the Assembly in discharging their duties in their constituencies, in the Assembly and elsewhere, the costs of general administration including staff costs, general expenses and equipment, accommodation, other services and associated non-cash items.

25,542,000

ASSEMBLY OMBUDSMAN FOR NORTHERN IRELAND AND NORTHERN IRELAND COMMISSIONER FOR COMPLAINT

A. For use by the Assembly Ombudsman for Northern Ireland and Northern Ireland Commissioner for Complaints on the costs of administration and other support services including associated non-cash items, for the provision of an independent, effective and free system for investigating complaints from individuals who claim to have suffered injustice through maladministration by Northern Ireland government departments, their agencies, public and local bodies and the Health and Personal Social Services; the provision of an independent investigative resource to support the work of the Committee on Standards and Privileges in dealing with complaints against Members of the Assembly

563,000

Purpose	Resources authorised for use
	(£)

FOOD STANDARDS AGENCY

A. For use by the Food Standards Agency on the costs of administration and other support services in protecting public health from risks which may arise in connection with the consumption of food, and otherwise protecting the interests of consumers in relation to food including the range of food safety enforcement activities required under European Union and Northern Ireland legislation, facilitating and delivering training courses, commissioning surveys and participating in programmes to increase public awareness of food safety issues and on related services and non-cash items.

3,800,000

NORTHERN IRELAND AUDIT OFFICE

A. For use by the Northern Ireland Audit Office 3,620,000 on the costs of administration and other support services including associated non-cash items of the Northern Ireland Audit Office in providing objective information, advice and assurance on the use of public funds; encouraging beneficial change in the provision of public services, the highest standards in financial management and reporting and propriety in the conduct of public business.

NORTHERN IRELAND AUTHORITY FOR **ENERGY REGULATIO**

A. For use by the Northern Ireland Authority for Energy Regulation on administration costs, regulation of the electricity and gas industries, protection of electricity customers, promotion and development of the natural gas industry. duties and functions placed on the Northern Ireland Authority for Energy Regulation as set out in the Energy (Northern Ireland) Order 2003, the Electricity (Northern Ireland) Order 1992, the Gas (Northern Ireland) Order 1996, duties under the Competition Act 1998, administration of the Climate Change Levy renewable exemption scheme, the Electricity (Guarantees of origin of Electricity produced from Renewable Energy Sources) Scheme and the Renewables Obligation Order (Northern Ireland) 2005, development of the all-island energy market, services to other departments, other miscellaneous duties which may arise and associated non-cash items

1,151,000

Purpose	Resources authorised for use
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TOTAL	6,284,418,000

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order authorises the issue out of the Consolidated Fund of Northern Ireland of certain sums for the service of the years ending 31st March 2006 and 2007 and appropriates those sums for specified purposes. The Order also authorises the use for the public service of certain resources for those years and revises the limits on the use of accruing resources in the year ending 31st March 2006.