

PUBLIC BODIES 2009: NORTHERN IRELAND OFFICE REPORT

Background

From 1998 to 2006, the Cabinet Office published annually on its website a Public Bodies Directory. Containing contributions from all Whitehall Departments, including the Northern Ireland Office, the directories gave a comprehensive snapshot of the public bodies sponsored by the UK Government as at 31 March each year. **Public Bodies 1998 to Public Bodies 2006** respectively can be viewed at: <http://www.civilservice.gov.uk/other/agencies/index.asp> .

Following a fundamental review of its functions, the Cabinet Office decided that, from 2007, all Whitehall Departments, including the Cabinet Office, would be required to publish on the web their own **Public Bodies** report. The Northern Ireland Office's report for 2008 can be viewed at: http://www.nio.gov.uk/public_bodies_2008_nio_annual_report.pdf

The 2009 report is filed below.

NORTHERN IRELAND OFFICE					
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Notes					
Departmental Appointments Summary					
Disabled	Ministerial Appts	1M/2F	Disabled	All Appts	1M/2F
Ethnic	Ministerial Appts	1M/3F	Ethnic	All Appts	1M/3F

Boundary Commission for Northern Ireland (BCNI)					
Advisory NDPB					
Address	Forestview, Purdy's Lane, Newtownbreda, Belfast, Co. Antrim, BT8 7AR				
Tel	028 9069 4800	Fax	028 9069 4810	Multiple Bodies	0
Email	bcni@belfast.org			Regulatory Function	No
Website	www.boundarycommission.org.uk				
Terms Of Reference	To keep under review the names, numbers and boundaries of the parliamentary constituencies into which Northern Ireland is divided and to make recommendations to the Secretary of State.				
Notes	This body was established in 1986.				
Public Bodies Statistics 2008-2009					
Chair	The Rt Hon M Martin MP			Remuneration	0
Chief Exec/Secretary	Lee Hegarty			Remuneration	0 Civil Servant
Public Meetings	No	Public Minutes	No	Register Of Interests	Yes
Ombudsman	PCA	Annual Report	June 2008	Last Review	It is not clear what is meant by this question
Audit Arrangements	NAO	Gov't Funding	£143.2	Total Gross Expenditure	£143.2
OCPA Regulated	Yes			Staff Employed	0
Chair	Ministerial	-	Chair	Non-Ministerial	1M EX-O
Deputy	Ministerial	-	Deputy	Non-Ministerial	1M EX-O
Member	Ministerial	1M P	Member	Non-Ministerial	-

Criminal Justice Inspection Northern Ireland (CJINI)					
Executive NDPB					
Address	6/7 Floor, 14 Great Victoria Street, Belfast, Co. Antrim, BT2 7BA				
Tel	02890 258 000	Fax	028 9025 8033	Multiple Bodies	0
Email	info@cjini.org			Regulatory Function	No
Website	www.cjini.org				
Terms Of Reference	To inspect or ensure the inspection of all aspects of the criminal justice system in Northern Ireland, including the courts.				
Notes	This body was established in October 2004.				
Public Bodies Statistics 2008-2009					
Chair	Mr K Chivers – retired August 2008 Dr Michael Maguire – appointed 01/09/08			Remuneration	£110,000 per annum
Chief Exec/Secretary	Mr B McGuigan			Remuneration	£67,787 per annum
Public Meetings	Yes	Public Minutes	No	Register Of Interests	Yes
Ombudsman	PCA	Annual Report	2008	Last Review	Completed June 2008 (Light Touch Review)
Audit Arrangements	NAO	Gov't Funding	£1,463,000	Total Gross Expenditure	£1,417,812
OCPA Regulated	Yes			Staff Employed	15
Chair	Ministerial	1M P	Chair	Non-Ministerial	-
Deputy	Ministerial	-	Deputy	Non-Ministerial	-
Member	Ministerial	-	Member	Non-Ministerial	-

Equality Commission for Northern Ireland (ECNI)					
Executive NDPB					
Address	Equality House, 7-9 Shaftesbury Square, Belfast, Co. Antrim, BT2 7DP				
Tel	028 9050 0600	Fax	028 9033 1544	Multiple Bodies	0
Email	information@equalityni.org			Regulatory Function	Yes
Website	www.equalityni.org				
Terms Of Reference	To promote respect for diversity, eliminate unlawful discrimination and achieve equality of opportunity for all.				
Notes	This body was established in October 1999..				
Public Bodies Statistics 2008-2009					
Chair	Mr R Collins			Remuneration	£75,749 per annum
Chief Exec/Secretary	Ms E Collins			Remuneration	£73,252 per annum £10K bonus not paid until this year.
Public Meetings	No	Public Minutes	No	Register Of Interests	Yes
Ombudsman	PCA NI	Annual Report	2008	Last Review	2005
Audit Arrangements	NIAO	Gov't Funding	£7226,000	Total Gross Expenditure	£7,385,590
OCPA Regulated	Yes			Staff Employed	131
Chair	Ministerial	1M Paid	Chair	Non-Ministerial	-
Deputy	Ministerial	1F Paid	Deputy	Non-Ministerial	-
Member	Ministerial	9M 5F Paid	Member	Non-Ministerial	-

Independent Assessor for Police Service NI Recruitment Vetting					
Advisory NDPB					
Address	c/o Policing Division, Room A4.16, Block A, Castle Buildings, Stormont Estate, Belfast, Co. Antrim, BT4 3SB				
Tel	(028) 9052 3458	Fax	(028) 9052 0063	Multiple Bodies	0
Email	clare.brady@nio.x.gsi.gov.uk			Regulatory Function	No
Website	-				
Terms Of Reference	To make determinations on the merits of appeals from applicants who have been turned down by the vetting panel for the Police Service of Northern Ireland recruitment.				
Notes	This body was established in May 2001. Remuneration is the sole cost of this office; in addition to annual salary, the Independent Assessor receives £859 per day (average of 20 days per year).				
Public Bodies Statistics 2008-2009					
Chair	The Rt. Hon. Lord Justice Campbell			Remuneration	£11,000 per annum
Chief Exec/Secretary	-			Remuneration	0
Public Meetings	No	Public Minutes	No	Register Of Interests	No
Ombudsman	-	Annual Report	-	Last Review	-
Audit Arrangements	NAO	Gov't Funding	£0	Total Gross Expenditure	£0
OCPA Regulated	Yes			Staff Employed	0
Chair	Ministerial	1M P	Chair	Non-Ministerial	-
Deputy	Ministerial	-	Deputy	Non-Ministerial	-
Member	Ministerial	-	Member	Non-Ministerial	-

Independent Monitoring Board (IMB)					
Independent Monitoring Boards					
Address	22nd Floor, Windsor House, Bedford Street, Belfast. Co Antrim BT2 7FT				
Tel	028 90443998	Fax	028 90443993	Multiple Bodies	3
Email	info@imb-ni.org.uk			Regulatory Function	No
Website	www.imb-ni.org.uk/				
Terms Of Reference	To visit prisons and the Young Offenders' Centre regularly and report to the Secretary of State on the conditions of imprisonment and the treatment of prisoners.				
Notes	These bodies were established in October 2005; they were previously known as Boards of Visitors, and had been in existence since approximately 1900. The annual report is available at www.niprisonerservice.gov.uk				
Public Bodies Statistics 2008-2009					
Chair	Multiple			Remuneration	0
Chief Exec/Secretary	-			Remuneration	0
Public Meetings	No	Public Minutes	No	Register Of Interests	No
Ombudsman	PCA	Annual Report	2008	Last Review	-
Audit Arrangements	NAO	Gov't Funding	£110,000	Total Gross Expenditure	£196,000
OCPA Regulated	No			Staff Employed	0
Chair	Ministerial	1M 2F U	Chair	Non-Ministerial	-
Deputy	Ministerial	3M U	Deputy	Non-Ministerial	-
Member	Ministerial	16M 17F U	Member	Non-Ministerial	-

Northern Ireland Human Rights Commission (NIHRC)					
Executive NDPB					
Address	Temple Court, 39 North Street, Belfast, Co Antrim, BT1 1NA				
Tel	028 9024 3987	Fax	028 9024 7844	Multiple Bodies	0
Email	information@nihrc.org			Regulatory Function	Yes
Website	www.nihrc.org				
Terms Of Reference	To promote and protect the human rights of everyone in Northern Ireland.				
Notes	This body was established in March 1999				
Public Bodies Statistics 2008-2009					
Chair	Prof M McWilliams			Remuneration	£72,021 per annum
Chief Exec/Secretary	Ms P O'Neill			Remuneration	£57,503 per annum
Public Meetings	No	Public Minutes	Yes	Register Of Interests	Yes
Ombudsman	PCA	Annual Report	2007	Last Review	-
Audit Arrangements	NAO	Gov't Funding	£1,744,000	Total Gross Expenditure	£1,744,000
OCPA Regulated	Yes			Staff Employed	24.5
Chair	Ministerial	1F P	Chair	Non-Ministerial	-
Deputy	Ministerial	-	Deputy	Non-Ministerial	-
Member	Ministerial	6M 3F P	Member	Non-Ministerial	-

Northern Ireland Law Commission (NILC)					
Advisory NDPB					
Address	8 th Floor, Linum Chambers, 2 Bedford Square, Bedford Street, Belfast BT2 7ES				
Tel	028 9054 4860	Fax		Multiple Bodies	0
Email	info@nilawcommission.gov.uk			Regulatory Function	No
Website	www.nilawcommission.gov.uk				
Terms Of Reference	To keep under review the civil and criminal law of Northern Ireland with a view to its modernisation.				
Notes	This body was established in April 2007.				
Public Bodies Statistics 2008-2009					
Chair	Mr Justice Morgan			Remuneration	0
Chief Exec/Secretary	Ms Judena Goldring			Remuneration	In the band £75k to £80k
Public Meetings	No	Public Minutes	No	Register Of Interests	Yes
Ombudsman		Annual Report		Last Review	-
Audit Arrangements	NAO	Gov't Funding	£0	Total Gross Expenditure	£0
OCPA Regulated	Yes			Staff Employed	12.6 FTE
Chair	Ministerial	1M U	Chair	Non-Ministerial	-
Deputy	Ministerial	-	Deputy	Non-Ministerial	-
Member	Ministerial	4M P	Member	Non-Ministerial	-

Northern Ireland Police Fund (NIPF)					
Executive NDPB					
Address	Maryfield Complex, 100 Belfast Road, Holywood, Co. Down, BT18 9QY				
Tel	(028) 9039 3556	Fax	(028) 9039 3555	Multiple Bodies	0
Email	admin@nipolicefund.org			Regulatory Function	No
Website	www.nipolicefund.org				
Terms Of Reference	To offer assistance and support to injured police officers, injured retired officers and their families arising as a direct result of terrorism in Northern Ireland.				
Notes	This body was established in November 2001. A review is planned for 2009/10. All appointments are non-Ministerial.				
Public Bodies Statistics 2008-2009					
Chair	Mr D McClurg			Remuneration	£6k per annum
Chief Exec/Secretary	Mr C Ashe			Remuneration	0 Civil Servant
Public Meetings	No	Public Minutes	No	Register Of Interests	Yes
Ombudsman	PCA	Annual Report	2007/2008	Last Review	2004
Audit Arrangements	Moore Stephens & BDO Stoy Hayward	Gov't Funding	£1,800,000	Total Gross Expenditure	£1,689,672
OCPA Regulated	No			Staff Employed	4
Chair	Ministerial	-	Chair	Non-Ministerial	1MU
Deputy	Ministerial	-	Deputy	Non-Ministerial	-
Member	Ministerial	-	Member	Non-Ministerial	9M 3F U

Northern Ireland Policing Board (NIPB)					
Executive NDPB					
Address	Waterside Tower, 31 Clarendon Road, Clarendon Dock, Laganside, Belfast, Co. Antrim, BT1 3BG				
Tel	028 9040 8500	Fax	028 9040 8525	Multiple Bodies	0
Email	information@nipolicingboard.org.uk			Regulatory Function	No
Website	www.nipolicingboard.org.uk				
Terms Of Reference	The overriding purpose is to hold the Chief Constable to account for the service delivered by him and his staff.				
Notes	This body was established in November 2001.				
Public Bodies Statistics 2008-2009					
Chair	Mr Barry Gilligan			Remuneration	£58,606 per annum
Chief Exec/Secretary	Mr A Donaldson			Remuneration	£106,000 per annum
Public Meetings	Yes	Public Minutes	Yes	Register Of Interests	Yes
Ombudsman	PCA	Annual Report	2008	Last Review	-
Audit Arrangements	NAO	Gov't Funding	£8,072,567	Total Gross Expenditure	£8,125,077
OCPA Regulated	Yes			Staff Employed	59
Chair	Ministerial	1M P	Chair	Non-Ministerial	-
Deputy	Ministerial	1M P	Deputy	Non-Ministerial	-
Member	Ministerial	5M 2F P	Member	Non-Ministerial	-

Office of the Police Ombudsman for Northern Ireland (OPONI)

Executive NDPB					
Address	New Cathedral Buildings, St Anne's Square, 11 Church Street, Belfast, Co. Antrim, BT1 1PG				
Tel	028 9082 8600	Fax	028 9082 8615	Multiple Bodies	0
Email	info@policeombudsman.org			Regulatory Function	Yes
Website	www.policeombudsman.org				
Terms Of Reference	To provide an efficient, effective, independent police complaints system that has the confidence of the people and the police of Northern Ireland.				
Notes	This body was established in November 2000. The Chief Executive receives between £85k and £90k per annum.				
Public Bodies Statistics 2008-2009					
Chair	Mr A Hutchinson			Remuneration	£126,400 per annum
Chief Exec/Secretary	Mr S D Pollock OBE			Remuneration	0
Public Meetings	Yes	Public Minutes	No	Register Of Interests	Yes
Ombudsman	Secretary of State for NI adjudicates	Annual Report	2008-2009	Last Review	2007
Audit Arrangements	NAO	Gov't Funding	£9,737,000	Total Gross Expenditure	£9,150,400
OCPA Regulated	Yes			Staff Employed	151
Chair	Ministerial	1M P	Chair	Non-Ministerial	-
Deputy	Ministerial	-	Deputy	Non-Ministerial	-
Member	Ministerial	-	Member	Non-Ministerial	-

Parades Commission for Northern Ireland (PCNI)

Executive NDPB					
Address	Windsor House, Bedford Street, Belfast, Co Antrim, BT2 7EL				
Tel	(028) 9089 5900	Fax	(028) 9032 2988	Multiple Bodies	0
Email	info@paradescommissionni.org			Regulatory Function	Yes
Website	www.paradescommission.org				
Terms Of Reference	To resolve conflicts over parades in Northern Ireland through facilitating mediation and, where necessary, receiving evidence and providing legally enforceable determinations as to the routes of parades and the conduct of marchers, and the location and conduct of those who seek to protest against them.				
Notes	This body was established in February 1997				
Public Bodies Statistics 2008-2009					
Chair	Mr R Poole			Remuneration	£55,466
Chief Exec/Secretary	Mr R Pedlow			Remuneration	0 Civil Servant
Public Meetings	Yes	Public Minutes	No	Register Of Interests	Yes
Ombudsman	PCA	Annual Report	2008	Last Review	2003
Audit Arrangements	NAO	Gov't Funding	£1,038,000	Total Gross Expenditure	£1,051,000
OCPA Regulated	Yes			Staff Employed	11
Chair	Ministerial	1M P	Chair	Non-Ministerial	-
Deputy	Ministerial	-	Deputy	Non-Ministerial	-
Member	Ministerial	1M 5F P	Member	Non-Ministerial	-

Probation Board for Northern Ireland (PBNI)					
Executive NDPB					
Address	80-90 North Street, Belfast, Co Antrim, BT1 1LD				
Tel	028 9026 2400	Fax	028 9026 2436	Multiple Bodies	0
Email	info@pbni.org.uk			Regulatory Function	No
Website	www.pbni.org.uk				
Terms Of Reference	The aim of PBNI is to help reduce crime (and the harm it does).				
Notes	This body was established in December 1982.				
Public Bodies Statistics 2008-2009					
Chair	Mr R Spence			Remuneration	£33,010 per annum
Chief Exec/Secretary	-			Remuneration	-
Public Meetings	No	Public Minutes	Yes	Register Of Interests	Yes
Ombudsman	PCA	Annual Report	2009	Last Review	2004
Audit Arrangements	NAO	Gov't Funding	£18,570,229	Total Gross Expenditure	£18,866,424
OCPA Regulated	Yes			Staff Employed	365
Chair	Ministerial	1M P	Chair	Non-Ministerial	-
Deputy	Ministerial	1F P	Deputy	Non-Ministerial	-
Member	Ministerial	8M 3F P	Member	Non-Ministerial	-

Royal Ulster Constabulary George Cross Foundation (RUCGCF)					
Executive NDPB					
Address	RUC GC Foundation, Brooklyn, 65 Knock Road, Belfast, Co. Down, BT5 6LE				
Tel	(028) 9070 0116	Fax	(028) 9056 1516	Multiple Bodies	0
Email	rucgcfoundation@nics.gov.uk			Regulatory Function	No
Website	www.rucgcfoundation.org				
Terms Of Reference	To mark the sacrifices and honour the achievements of the Royal Ulster Constabulary.				
Notes	This body was established in November 2001. A review is planned for 2009/10.				
Public Bodies Statistics 2008-2009					
Chair	Mr J McDonald CBE LVO JP DL			Remuneration	0
Chief Exec/Secretary	-			Remuneration	0
Public Meetings	No	Public Minutes	No	Register Of Interests	Yes
Ombudsman	PCA	Annual Report	2007/2008	Last Review	-
Audit Arrangements	ASM Howarth	Gov't Funding	£150,000	Total Gross Expenditure	£222,042
OCPA Regulated	Yes			Staff Employed	2
Chair	Ministerial	1M U	Chair	Non-Ministerial	-
Deputy	Ministerial	-	Deputy	Non-Ministerial	-
Member	Ministerial	2M 3F U	Member	Non-Ministerial	-

ANNEX 1

Strategic Review of Parading					
Ad Hoc Advisory Body					
Date Established	18 April 2007	Date Reported/Due to Report	End 2008	Report Details	Interim consultative report published on 29 April 2008.
Date Wound Up		17 September 2009			
Notes	<p>The Terms of Reference of the Strategic Review of Parading were announced on 2 February 2007. The appointments of all members of the Parading Commission are due to expire on 31 December 2009 and their future, and that of the Commission, is closely linked to the Strategic Review of Parading. The Strategic Review of Parades Body (SRPB), chaired by Lord Ashdown, aim to find a long term, settled, cross-community view on parading. It has been examining the issue of parading for Northern Ireland, in terms of its social, economic and cultural implications. The consultation on the SRPB's interim report ended on 31 August 2008. It is anticipated that the issue of parading in Northern Ireland will not devolve immediately with the other policing and security issues. This will allow time for the SRPB to publish their final report and legislation, giving effect to their proposals, to be introduced.</p>				
Appointments Summary					
Ministers	0	Civil Servants	0	Wider Public Servants	1
Voluntary/ Charity Sector	0	Private Sector	6		
Chair	LORD ASHDOWN OF NORTON-SUB-HAMPDON GCMG				

The Consultative Group on the Past					
Ad Hoc Advisory Body					
Date Established	22 June 2007	Due to Report	28 January 2009	Report Details	Available on www.cgpni.org
Date Wound Up					
Notes	<p>The Terms of Reference of The Consultative Group on the Past are to consult across the community on how Northern Ireland society can best approach the legacy of the events of the past 40 years; and to make recommendations, as appropriate, on any steps that might be taken to support Northern Ireland society in building a shared future that is not overshadowed by the events of the past.</p>				
Appointments Summary					
Ministers	0	Civil Servants	0	Wider Public Servants	2
Voluntary/ Charity Sector	3	Private Sector	3		
Chair	LORD EAMES and MR DENIS BRADLEY				