

## PUBLIC BODIES 2008: 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 2007 can be viewed at: [http://www.nio.gov.uk/public\\_bodies\\_2007\\_at\\_21\\_august\\_2007.pdf](http://www.nio.gov.uk/public_bodies_2007_at_21_august_2007.pdf) .

The 2008 report is filed below.

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

<b>Boundary Commission for Northern Ireland (BCNI)</b>					
<b>Advisory NDPB</b>					
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.				
<b>Public Bodies Statistics 2007-2008</b>					
Chair	The Rt Hon M Martin MP			Remuneration	0
Chief Exec/Secretary	Mr J Fisher			Remuneration	0 Civil Servant
Public Meetings	No	Public Minutes	No	Register Of Interests	No
Ombudsman	PCA	Annual Report	2007	Last Review	-
Audit Arrangements	NAO	Gov't Funding	£190,785	Total Gross Expenditure	£0
OCPA Regulated	Yes			Staff Employed	4
Chair	Ministerial	-	Chair	Non-Ministerial	1M EX-O
Deputy	Ministerial	-	Deputy	Non-Ministerial	1M EX-O
Member	Ministerial	1M 1F P	Member	Non-Ministerial	-

<b>Criminal Justice Inspection Northern Ireland (CJINI)</b>					
<b>Executive NDPB</b>					
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.gov.uk			Regulatory Function	No
Website	www.cjsni.gov.uk/chiefinspector.htm				
Terms Of Reference	To inspect or ensure the inspection of all aspects of the criminal justice system in Northern Ireland, other than the courts.				
Notes	This body was established in October 2004.				
<b>Public Bodies Statistics 2007-2008</b>					
Chair	Mr K Chivers			Remuneration	£105,268 per annum
Chief Exec/Secretary	Mr B McGuigan			Remuneration	£60,000 per annum
Public Meetings	Yes	Public Minutes	No	Register Of Interests	Yes
Ombudsman	PCA	Annual Report	2007	Last Review	-
Audit Arrangements	NAO	Gov't Funding	£1,463,000	Total Gross Expenditure	£1,245,910
OCPA Regulated	Yes			Staff Employed	14
Chair	Ministerial	1M P	Chair	Non-Ministerial	-
Deputy	Ministerial	-	Deputy	Non-Ministerial	-
Member	Ministerial	-	Member	Non-Ministerial	-

<b>Equality Commission for Northern Ireland (ECNI)</b>					
<b>Executive NDPB</b>					
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..				
<b>Public Bodies Statistics 2007-2008</b>					
Chair	Mr R Collins			Remuneration	£78,275 per annum
Chief Exec/Secretary	Ms E Collins			Remuneration	£67,564 per annum
Public Meetings	No	Public Minutes	No	Register Of Interests	Yes
Ombudsman	PCA NI	Annual Report	2007	Last Review	2005
Audit Arrangements	NIAO	Gov't Funding	£7,178,000	Total Gross Expenditure	£6,957,000
OCPA Regulated	Yes			Staff Employed	127
Chair	Ministerial	1M P	Chair	Non-Ministerial	-
Deputy	Ministerial	1F P	Deputy	Non-Ministerial	-
Member	Ministerial	9M 5F P	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 £530 per day (average of 20 days per year).				
Public Bodies Statistics 2007-2008					
Chair	His Honour R Chambers QC			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 <a href="http://www.niprisonservice.gov.uk">www.niprisonservice.gov.uk</a>				
Public Bodies Statistics 2007-2008					
Chair	Multiple			Remuneration	0
Chief Exec/Secretary	-			Remuneration	0
Public Meetings	No	Public Minutes	No	Register Of Interests	No
Ombudsman	PCA	Annual Report	2007	Last Review	-
Audit Arrangements	NAO	Gov't Funding	£95,000	Total Gross Expenditure	£132,000
OCPA Regulated	No			Staff Employed	0
Chair	Ministerial	2M 1F U	Chair	Non-Ministerial	-
Deputy	Ministerial	2M 1F U	Deputy	Non-Ministerial	-
Member	Ministerial	22M 21F U	Member	Non-Ministerial	-

<b>Northern Ireland Human Rights Commission (NIHRC)</b>					
<b>Executive NDPB</b>					
Address	Temple Court, 39 North Street, Belfast, Co Antrim, BT1 1NA				
Tel	028 9024 3987	Fax	028 9024 7844	Multiple Bodies	0
Email	nihrc@belfast.org.uk			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 on March 1999. A review will commence in autumn 2006				
<b>Public Bodies Statistics 2007-2008</b>					
Chair	Prof M McWilliams			Remuneration	£63,561 per annum
Chief Exec/Secretary	Ms P Sloan			Remuneration	£45,776 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	£1,475,000	Total Gross Expenditure	£1,393,279
OCPA Regulated	Yes			Staff Employed	21.3
Chair	Ministerial	1F P	Chair	Non-Ministerial	-
Deputy	Ministerial	-	Deputy	Non-Ministerial	-
Member	Ministerial	6M 3F P	Member	Non-Ministerial	-

<b>Northern Ireland Law Commission (NILC)</b>					
<b>Advisory NDPB</b>					
Address	8 <sup>th</sup> Floor, Linum Chambers, 2 Bedford Square, Bedford Street, Belfast BT2 7BS				
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.				
<b>Public Bodies Statistics 2007-2008</b>					
Chair	Mr Justice Morgan			Remuneration	0
Chief Exec/Secretary	Ms Judena Goldring			Remuneration	£77,000
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	5.5
Chair	Ministerial	1M U	Chair	Non-Ministerial	-
Deputy	Ministerial	-	Deputy	Non-Ministerial	-
Member	Ministerial	3M P	Member	Non-Ministerial	-

<b>Northern Ireland Police Fund (NIPF)</b>					
<b>Executive NDPB</b>					
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 2008/09. All appointments are non-Ministerial.				
<b>Public Bodies Statistics 2007-2008</b>					
Chair	Mr D McClurg			Remuneration	0
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	Last Review	2004
Audit Arrangements	Moore Stephens & BDO Stoy Hayward	Gov't Funding	£1,800,000	Total Gross Expenditure	£1,774,504
OCPA Regulated	No			Staff Employed	4
Chair	Ministerial	1M U	Chair	Non-Ministerial	-
Deputy	Ministerial	-	Deputy	Non-Ministerial	-
Member	Ministerial	-	Member	Non-Ministerial	6M 2F U

<b>Northern Ireland Policing Board (NIPB)</b>					
<b>Executive NDPB</b>					
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.				
<b>Public Bodies Statistics 2007-2008</b>					
Chair	Professor Sir D Rea			Remuneration	£57,288 per annum
Chief Exec/Secretary	Mr T Reaney			Remuneration	£109,083 per annum
Public Meetings	Yes	Public Minutes	Yes	Register Of Interests	Yes
Ombudsman	PCA	Annual Report	2007	Last Review	-
Audit Arrangements	NAO	Gov't Funding	£7,893,000	Total Gross Expenditure	£8,036,000
OCPA Regulated	Yes			Staff Employed	60
Chair	Ministerial	1M P	Chair	Non-Ministerial	-
Deputy	Ministerial	1M P	Deputy	Non-Ministerial	-
Member	Ministerial	5M 2F P	Member	Non-Ministerial	-

<b>Office of the Police Ombudsman for Northern Ireland (OPONI)</b>					
<b>Executive NDPB</b>					
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.				
<b>Public Bodies Statistics 2007-2008</b>					
Chair	Mr A Hutchinson			Remuneration	£123,200 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	2007	Last Review	2007
Audit Arrangements	NAO	Gov't Funding	£8,300,000	Total Gross Expenditure	£8,514,150
OCPA Regulated	Yes			Staff Employed	151
Chair	Ministerial	1M P	Chair	Non-Ministerial	-
Deputy	Ministerial	-	Deputy	Non-Ministerial	-
Member	Ministerial	-	Member	Non-Ministerial	-

<b>Parades Commission for Northern Ireland (PCNI)</b>					
<b>Executive NDPB</b>					
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				
<b>Public Bodies Statistics 2007-2008</b>					
Chair	Mr R Poole			Remuneration	£53,000
Chief Exec/Secretary	Mr R Pedlow			Remuneration	0 Civil Servant
Public Meetings	Yes	Public Minutes	No	Register Of Interests	Yes
Ombudsman	PCA	Annual Report	2007	Last Review	2003
Audit Arrangements	NAO	Gov't Funding	£1,925,000	Total Gross Expenditure	£1,739,789
OCPA Regulated	Yes			Staff Employed	11
Chair	Ministerial	1M P	Chair	Non-Ministerial	-
Deputy	Ministerial	-	Deputy	Non-Ministerial	-
Member	Ministerial	1M 4F P	Member	Non-Ministerial	-

<b>Probation Board for Northern Ireland (PBNI)</b>					
<b>Executive NDPB</b>					
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.				
<b>Public Bodies Statistics 2007-2008</b>					
Chair	Mr R Spence			Remuneration	£28,770 per annum
Chief Exec/Secretary	-			Remuneration	-
Public Meetings	No	Public Minutes	Yes	Register Of Interests	Yes
Ombudsman	PCA	Annual Report	2008	Last Review	2004
Audit Arrangements	NAO	Gov't Funding	£17,012,441	Total Gross Expenditure	£17,711,301
OCPA Regulated	Yes			Staff Employed	356
Chair	Ministerial	1M P	Chair	Non-Ministerial	-
Deputy	Ministerial	1F P	Deputy	Non-Ministerial	-
Member	Ministerial	8M 4F P	Member	Non-Ministerial	-

<b>Royal Ulster Constabulary George Cross Foundation (RUCGCF)</b>					
<b>Executive NDPB</b>					
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 2008/09.				
<b>Public Bodies Statistics 2007-2008</b>					
Chair	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	Last Review	-
Audit Arrangements	ASM Howarth	Gov't Funding	£150,000	Total Gross Expenditure	£149,531
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: PUBLIC BODIES, TASK FORCES, AD-HOC ADVISORY GROUPS AND REVIEWS** which appeared in 'Public Bodies 2007' but do not appear in the 2008 return.

<b>Name of Body</b>	<b>Classification of body (ENDPB, ad-hoc advisory group etc)</b>	<b>Date of closure</b>	<b>Reason for closure, name of any successor body etc</b>
Office of the Police Oversight Commissioner (OPOC)	ANDPB	31/05/07	It had been set up to oversee the implementation of changes in policing arrangements and structures recommended in the Patten Report. This task was completed.
Independent Assessor of Military Complaints Procedures (IAMCP)	ANDPB	31/10/07	It had been set up to provide: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• an assurance that non-criminal complaints against members of Her Majesty's Forces in Northern Ireland were investigated thoroughly and impartially;</li> <li>• an independent audit of the operation of procedures for handling such complaints; and</li> <li>• a report to the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland at the end of each calendar year.</li> </ul> IAMCP will be replaced by the Justice and Security (Northern Ireland) Act 2007 Independent Reviewer in Spring 2008.
<b>Name of Body</b>	<b>Classification of body (ENDPB, ad-hoc advisory group etc)</b>	<b>Date of transfer</b>	<b>Name of department to which body transferred.</b>
Criminal Injuries Compensation Appeals Panel for Northern Ireland (CICAPNI)	TNDPB	01/12/07	Northern Ireland Court Service

**ANNEX 2**

<b>Northern Ireland Bill of Rights Forum</b>					
<b>Ad Hoc Advisory Body</b>					
Date Established	15 March 2007	Date Reported	Reported to Northern Ireland Human Rights Commission on 31 March 2008	Report Details	Available on <a href="http://www.billofrightsforum.org">www.billofrightsforum.org</a>
Date Wound Up	31 March 2008				
Notes	The Bill of Rights Forum was tasked with producing agreed recommendations to inform the Northern Ireland Human Rights Commission's advice to Government on the scope for defining, in Westminster legislation, rights supplementary to those in the European Convention on Human Rights, which reflect the particular circumstances of Northern Ireland.				
<b>Appointments Summary</b>					
Ministers	0	Civil Servants	0	Wider Public Servants	0
Voluntary/ Charity Sector	9	Private Sector	19		
Chair	MR CHRIS SIDOTI				

<b>Strategic Review of Parading</b>					
<b>Ad Hoc Advisory Body</b>					
Date Established	18 April 2007	Date Reported/Due to Report	October 2008	Report Details	Interim consultative report published on 29 April 2008.
Date Wound Up					
Notes	The Terms of Reference of the Strategic Review of Parading were announced on 2 February 2007. The review will investigate, examine and report on the issue of parading in Northern Ireland and make recommendations in a report to the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland.				
<b>Appointments Summary</b>					
Ministers	0	Civil Servants	0	Wider Public Servants	1
Voluntary/ Charity Sector	0	Private Sector	6		
Chair	LORD ASHDOWN OF NORTON-SUB-HAMPDON GCMG				

<b>The Consultative Group on the Past</b>					
<b>Ad Hoc Advisory Body</b>					
Date Established	22 June 2007	Due to Report	Spring 2009	Report Details	-
Date Wound Up					
Notes	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.				
<b>Appointments Summary</b>					
Ministers	0	Civil Servants	0	Wider Public Servants	2
Voluntary/ Charity Sector	3	Private Sector	3		
Chair	LORD EAMES and MR DENIS BRADLEY				