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Regional Development

Department for Regional Development's Corporate and Business Plan 2010-11

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The Minister for Regional Development

(Mr Murphy): I am pleased to inform Assembly Members of the publication of the Department for Regional Development's (DRD) Corporate and Business Plan 2010-11.

The Corporate Plan takes account of the fact that we will be facing constraints in public expenditure in the coming year. While this is a major challenge, we will continue to have a significant budget to spend in laying the foundations for the type of economy and society we all want to see in the North. We do important work for all our people and this will not change in the year ahead. Roads will still need to be built, improved and maintained. Our public transport arrangements and water and sewerage services likewise. During 2010-11 we will spend almost £1.1 billion on our roads, public transport and water programmes.

The Business Plan, which incorporates the Balanced Scorecard, details our targets for 2010-11 as we work towards delivering our longer-term Public Service Agreement targets and other commitments set out in the Programme for Government 2008-11.

The Plans are available for viewing in the Assembly Library or on the DRD internet site at www.drdni.gov.uk. However, if any member would prefer a personal hard copy, it can be obtained by contacting the Department's Strategic Planning Branch on (028) 9054 0930.