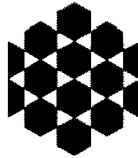


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Dear Assembly Member

The purpose of this letter is to advise you that I intend to announce in the near future my decision on the following planning application:

Ref No : S/2008/0893

Description : Phase 2 Sprucefield Park

Location : Sprucefield Park, land west of A1 Hillsborough Road, south of M1 motorway and north of A101 Link, Sprucefield Regional Shopping Centre, Lisburn

The Planning Service has recommended that the application be dealt with by way of a local public inquiry and I concur with this advice.

It is my intention to announce that a letter requesting that the Planning Appeals Commission arrange a public local inquiry will be prepared and issued in the near future.

Yours sincerely

**EDWIN POOTS MLA
Minister of the Environment**