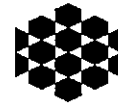


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20th January 2011

Dear Leslie,

I agreed during Oral Questions on 17th January to correspond with you on the matter of land in North Down.

Invest NI holds almost 21 hectares (51 acres) of land at Balloo South Industrial Estate. Over 8 hectares (20 acres) remain available for the use of qualifying businesses with approved business cases and immediate property needs.

In developing the second phase of Balloo South, Invest NI worked in close partnership with North Down Business Village (NDBV) to create the necessary infrastructure for their "business village" concept. NDBV has two key developments already on site, the Signal Centre of Business Excellence and flexible workspace units provided by the North Down Development Organisation.

Remaining available land exists on both the conventional industrial Estate and at NDBV. Both locations are included in property searches carried out by Invest NI for potential investors.

I will arrange for a copy of this letter to be sent to the Speaker's Office, the Business Office (for Hansard) and that a copy will be placed in the Assembly Library.

*Sincerely,
Arlene Foster*

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