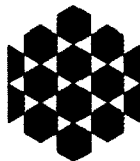


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Dear Assembly Member

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: X/2009/0465/F

Description: Food superstore, petrol filling station, car parking and associated site works with access from the approved Southern Link Road.

Location : Former abattoir west of Portaferry Road and east of Comber Road on lands bounded by the rear of nos 37-45 Portaferry Road, Castlebawn Wall & Castlebawn development sites, Newtownards

The Planning Service has recommended that the application be approved and I concur with this advice.

It is my intention to announce that a Notice of Opinion to approve will be prepared and issued in the near future.

Yours sincerely

**EDWIN POOTS MLA  
Minister of the Environment**