P-04-454 Call to end Councillor and Assembly Member Dual Role - Correspondence from the Petitioner to the Committee, 06.02.14

MY RESPONSE:

To Chair...

Please maintain an active interest on behalf of the Petitions Committe to ensure the practice of DOUBLE JOBBING does not become a possibility at the NEXT Assembly elections:

1 BY Drafting a possible amendment to the relevant legislation to achieve this end.

2 By considering across the piece ALL possible difficulties in DUAL serving on BOARDS,NDPB's and other ASPB; so that the difficulties encountered by CANDIDATES at the last Assembly election who had to stand down because of the vagaries and ambiguities of the current ELIGIBILITY criteria to stand as an Assembly candidate are without ambiguity.

3 USE the Electoral Commission and the NI Executive to formulate a clearer ,cleaner and mor accessible CANDIDATE base for the Assembly..

Consider also the increase to 80 members and HOW the principles of CANDIDATURE eligibility should be translated to an enlarged Assembly.

your sincerely#

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