

## Review of Domestic Rates

We feel strongly about your current rating system based on house value and believe that it will cause untold stress and difficulty to the large proportion of the people in Northern Ireland not least of all to pensioners and those living alone.

We are pensioners on small incomes and feel that a more equitable method of payment must be found ie based on ability to pay and this could be achieved by linking to our income tax returns.

Alternatively, could a similar method as that used in Southern Ireland be considered?

To continue with the present system is not sustainable for many residents and a much fairer system must be your target.