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Dear Mr Bamford,

Thank you for your e-mail of 4 July regarding the War Pensions Committee Northern Ireland, its members, when they were appointed and what areas each one represents under the War Pensions Regulations 1990. In addition you requested when each members' term is due to end and when the Secretary of State will appoint further members to bring the committee to the legislative strength. Your email has been considered as a request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA 2000).

The War Pensions Committees were established under the War Pensions Act 1921 and the Social Security Act 1989. There are 13 committees throughout the UK and membership comprises of a minimum of 12 and a maximum of 20 people. Appointed member does not have a specific area of responsibility.

The members of the War Pensions Committee War Northern Ireland are:

Committee Member	Appointed
John Davies MBE - (Chairman)	1 January 2007
Ivan Grainger MBE	1 March 2008
John Dunbar	1 January 2007
Tom Hayes MBE	1 March 2008
Irene Lyttle MBE	1 March 2008
Alberta McMenemy	1 January 2007
Mary Moreland BA (Hons), MSc	1 March 2008
Charles Richardson MBE, UD	1 January 2007
John Stewart	1 March 2008
Amy Wall	1 March 2008
Greg Wilson	1 January 2007
Jim Henning	1 January 2007

Pen pictures of them can be found: <http://www.veterans-uk.info/wpcomits/ireland.htm>

The term of office for all the members stated above expired on 30 June 2010. War Pensions Committee members are appointed by the Secretary of State. A recruitment campaign is currently nearing completion and all suggested new members names will be provided to the Minister for his consideration.

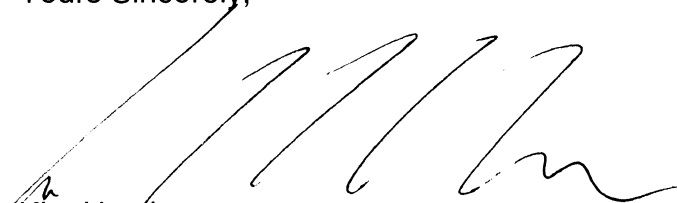
Further information regarding the War Pensions Committees can be obtained from the following web address: www.veterans-uk.info/wpcomts/. I also enclose a copy of Information Pack for Applicants.

If you are unhappy with this response or you wish to complain about any aspect of the handling of your request, then you should contact me in the first instance. If informal resolution is not possible, and you are still dissatisfied, then you may apply for an independent internal review by contacting the Head of Corporate Information, 2nd Floor, MOD Main Building, Whitehall, SW1A 2HB (e-mail CIO-FOI-IR@mod.uk). Please note that any request for an internal review must be made within 40 working days of the date on which the attempt to reach informal resolution has come to an end.

If you are still unhappy following an internal review, you may take your complaint to the Information Commissioner under the provisions of Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act. Please note that the Information Commissioner will not investigate your case until the MOD internal review process has been completed. Further details of the role and powers of the Information Commissioner can be found on the Commissioner's website, <http://www.ico.gov.uk>.

I hope this reply is helpful.

Yours Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Kim Humberstone', written over a light blue horizontal line.

Kim Humberstone
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