

22 October 2008

Mr Paul Warnock  
Chairperson  
Autism NI (PAPA) Mid-Ulster Branch  
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Dear Mr Warnock

**Consultation – An Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) Strategic Action Plan 2008/09 – 2010/11**

This Council had been invited by the Director, Mental Health and Disability Policy, Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety, Northern Ireland to respond to the above consultation before 12 December 2008.

Members at a recent Council Meeting resolved to invite the local Autism NI (PAPA) Mid-Ulster Branch to address the Council on this document, at its next meeting to be held on Tuesday, 11 November 2008 at 7.30 pm, in order that the Council can make an appropriate response to the Policy Department. The presentation should last no longer than ten minutes with a short period at the end to answer Members' questions.

Should the Mid-Ulster Branch agree to the Council's request I would be grateful if you could contact my Secretary, Mrs Audrey Junkin at the above telephone number or e-mail her at [audrey.junkin@magherafelt.gov.uk](mailto:audrey.junkin@magherafelt.gov.uk), giving the names of those who will be in attendance.

Thanking you in anticipation.

Yours sincerely

**J A McLaughlin**  
**Chief Executive**