

## **Stormont House Agreement**

- Executive budget agreed in January 2015. No new money for Welfare but local flexibilities and top-ups to be agreed.
- Corporation Tax devolved in April 2017. Aggregates Levy, Stamp Duty Land Tax and Landfill Tax may be devolved.
- Commission on Flags, Identity, Culture and Tradition reports in 18 months. Responsibility for parades and protests devolved; Executive to propose mechanism.
- NHS to run Mental Trauma Services working with Victims and Survivors Service.
- £150m new funding for bodies dealing with past. Oral History Archive established, free from political interference. Historical Investigations Unit (HIU) overseen by NI Policing Board given five years. ECHR Article 2-compliant legacy inquests continue separately. Independent Commission on Information Retrieval (ICIR) given 5 years outside reach of police, intelligence agencies, courts, judicial review, FOI, data protection in both jurisdictions. Implementation and Reconciliation Group (IRG) to look at themes.
- 'Compact' civic advisory panel by June 2015 to advise Executive.
- Opposition arrangements by March 2015 give parties entitled to ministerial positions opportunity to be supported in Opposition with rights to speak, table business, research and funding.
- Immediately after an Assembly election, big parties not going into Opposition given 7-14 days to draft Programme for Government before d'Hondt runs.
- Executive departments drop to 9 in 2016. Departments will deliver services consistent with shared future. Executive to circulate agenda in advance; stop ignoring unpopular papers; allow three ministers to call emergency meeting within 3 days.
- Five MLA constituencies by 2021 election. Petition of Concern protocol to be agreed. MLA salaries and expenses to be more transparent and robust
- Maximum policy consultation period drops from 12 to 8 weeks.
- Two governments say Irish language to be respected and recognised in NI.
- £700m loan for civil service voluntary exit scheme.
- £500m capital funding for shared and integrated education projects (agreed by Executive and UK Government).
- £350m loan for infrastructure projects.
- Specific agreed assets to be sold; proceeds retained by Executive and used to pay off £100m Treasury loan and £114m welfare deductions which may yet be reduced.
- UK to invest additional €50m in PEACE IV.
- Surplus UK Government properties could be gifted to shared housing.

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