EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM TO

The Shankbridge Road, Ballymena (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2012

S.R. 2012 No. 58

1. Introduction

1.1. This Explanatory Memorandum has been prepared by the Department for Regional Development to accompany the Statutory Rule (details above) which is laid before the Northern Ireland Assembly.

1.2. The Statutory Rule is made under Article 68(1) and (5) of the Roads (Northern Ireland) Order 1993 and is subject to the negative resolution procedure.

2. Purpose

2.1. The purpose of the rule is to abandon an area of 912 square metres of the link road between the A26 Lisnevenagh Road and the B98 Shankbridge Road, Ballymena, extending in an easterly direction from its junction with the Lisnevenagh Road.

3. Background

3.1. The Department is the owner of the bed and soil of the area of road in question and is of the opinion that it is not necessary for road traffic.

3.2. Following the abandonment, the area of road will be declared surplus and disposed of in accordance with the procedures laid down for the disposal of government owned land.

4. Consultation

4.1. The PSNI and Ballymena Borough Council have been notified of the proposal.

4.2. A notice in respect of the proposed abandonment was published in the local press for 2 successive weeks, a notice was posted on site and the statutory undertakers were notified of the proposal. No objections were received.

5. Equality Impact

5.1. Consideration has been given to compliance with section 75 of the Northern Ireland Act 1998. No equality issues have been identified by the Department and no issues were raised following the publication of the notice in the press.

6. Regulatory Impact

6.1. A Regulatory Impact Assessment was not considered necessary as the proposal does not result in any costs or savings to business, charities or the voluntary bodies.

7. Financial Implications

7.1. None.

8. Section 24 of the Northern Ireland Act 1998

8.1. Consideration has been given to compliance with section 24 of the Northern Ireland Act 1998. No human rights issues have been identified by the Department and no issues were raised following the publication of the notice in the press.

9. EU Implications

9.1. Not applicable.

10. Parity or Replicatory Measure

10.1. Not applicable.

11. Additional Information

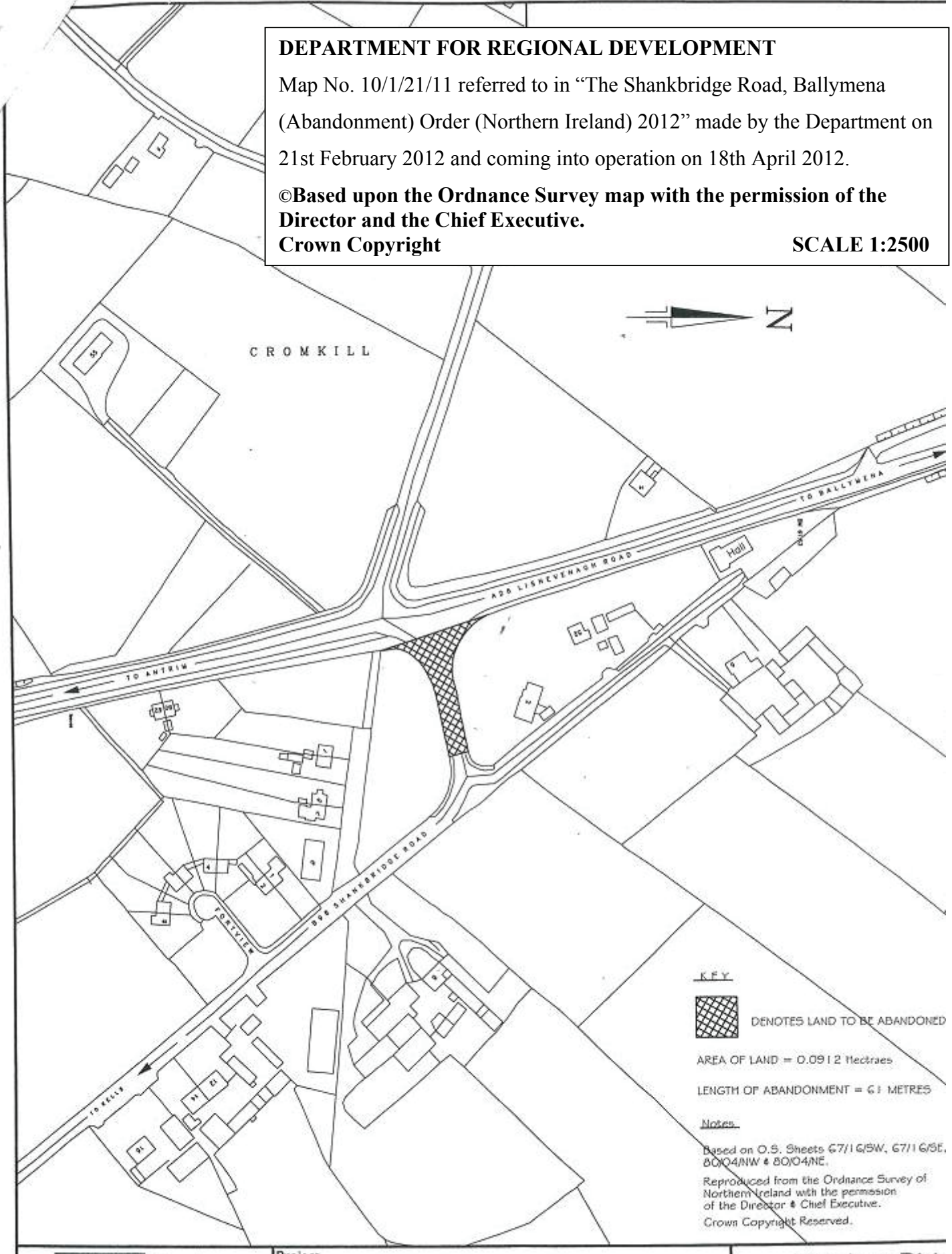
11.1. Not applicable.

DEPARTMENT FOR REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT

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