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Dear Sir/Madam

DEPENDANTS' CARERS' ALLOWANCE – FROM 1 OCTOBER 2009

The Department has now determined new maximum rates of dependants' carers' allowance, payable under the Local Government (Payments to Councillors) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1999, as amended.

A copy of the formal determination is attached, detailing the new rates, with effect from 1 October 2009.

Yours faithfully,



BRENDA MOONEY (MRS)

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1972

LOCAL GOVERNMENT (PAYMENTS TO COUNCILLORS) REGULATIONS (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1999

DETERMINATION OF MAXIMUM RATES OF DEPENDANTS' CARERS' ALLOWANCE

The Department of the Environment makes this determination, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by section 36 of the Local Government Act (Northern Ireland) 1972 **(a)**, and the Local Government (Payments to Councillors) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1999 **(b)**, as amended. With effect from 1 October 2009, the maximum amounts of dependants' carers' allowance shall not exceed the amounts specified in the following table:-

STANDARD CARE	SPECIALISED CARE
£5.80 per hour	£11.60 per hour
£151.00 per month	£302.00 per month
Maximum payments per member, per month, shall not exceed £302.00	

Dated this 9th day of October 2009.



A senior officer of the Department of the Environment

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- (a)** 1972 c.9 (N.I) as amended by the Financial Provisions (Northern Ireland) Order 1978 (S.I. 1978/1041 (N.I.)).
(b) S.R. 1999 No.449 was amended by the Local Government (Payments to Councillors) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2007 No.168.