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Officer Support: Geraldine McGahey, Sharon Currans and Eddy Curtis

24th October 2007

Dear Members,

Re. Invitation to Strand A - Modernisation Subgroup
Capacity Building and Legislative Framework
Away Day

Wednesday 31st October at Magherafelt District Council Offices, 9.30am to 2pm

The Chairman, Cllr Mervyn Storey and Vice Chairman, Ald Arnold Hatch, would like to invite you to attend the Away Day of the above subgroup. The agenda is detailed overleaf and the minutes from the last meeting are enclosed.

At this away day the focus will be Capacity Building; all relevant background papers on Capacity Building are available on the Smart Community website including the Task Group report, LGSC reports and the Goldblatt McGuigan report. All members of the group should have received an invitation via email to join this website, if you have not received an invitation to join please inform either Andrea Reid or John Price. Also if you have not already registered with the Smart Community please do so before the Away Day to access the relevant background reading material. This is a very useful resource for this group and should be utilised by all group members.

If you are unable to attend this Away Day event please contact Andrea Reid at NILGA (a.reid@nilga.org).

Please do not hesitate to contact either of us if you require further information.

Yours sincerely,

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Agenda – Capacity Building Away Day

9.30 – 10.00	Coffee and Arrival	
10.00 – 10.10	Welcome and Introductions	
10. 10 – 10. 30	Capacity Building – An Overview <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Subgroup Report• Other Regions• Goldblatt McQuigan Report	John Adams
10.30 – 11.25	Mind Mapping/Visual Thinking <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Brainstorm Your Ideas• Formulate Framework for Action	Heather Moorhead and Geraldine McGahey
11.25 – 11.35	Coffee	
11.35 – 1.00	Focusing on Priorities and Early Actions <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Group Discussion/Your Views	Geraldine McGahey
1.00 – 2.00	Lunch and Close	