



Northern Ireland Local Government Reforms Update – March 2015

The 26 Northern Ireland District Councils will be replaced by 11 larger Districts from April 1st 2015. Councillors were first elected to the new Councils in May 2014 (regular users of the Oscar database will have already seen the new Councils and their respective Councillors on the database). The changes not only create larger Councils, but they will also absorb some functions currently run from within Central Government. Including; Planning, Parking and Economic, Community and Urban Development and Regeneration.

The following table shows a list of the old organisations and their replacements

New Councils	Old Councils
Belfast City	Belfast City
North Down and Ards District	Ards Borough Council North Down Borough Council
Antrim and Newtownabbey District	Antrim Borough Council Newtownabbey Borough Council
Lisburn City and Castlereagh District	Lisburn City Council Castlereagh Borough Council
Newry City, Mourne and Down District	Newry and Mourne District Council Down District Council
Armagh City, Banbridge and Craigavon District	Armagh City and District Council Banbridge District Council Craigavon Borough Council
Mid and East Antrim District	Ballymena Borough Council Carrickfergus Borough Council Larne Borough Council
Causeway Coast and Glens District	Ballymoney Borough Council Coleraine Borough Council Limavady Borough Council Moyle District Council

Mid-Ulster District	Magherafelt District Council Cookstown District Council Dungannon & South Tyrone Borough Council
Derry City and Strabane District	Derry City Council Strabane District Council
Fermanagh and Omagh District	Fermanagh District Council Omagh District Council