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Launch of Consultation Paper on Rebalancing the Northern Ireland Economy

THURSDAY 24 MARCH 2011

[Consultation Paper on Rebalancing the Northern Ireland Economy](#)

The Treasury has today launched a three month consultation on ideas to rebalance the Northern Ireland economy.

The consultation paper considers options for raising employment, improving productivity and promoting growth, including possible mechanisms for devolving corporation tax rate varying powers to Northern Ireland.



L-R David Ford MLA , Martin McGuinness MP MLA deputy First Minister, The Rt Hon Peter Robinson MLA First Minister, The Rt Hon Owen Paterson MP Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, David Gauke MP Exchequer Secretary to the Treasury, Tom Elliott MLA, Margaret Ritchie MP MLA and The Rt Hon Hugo Swire MP Minister of State for Northern Ireland

Owen Paterson said: “The launch of this consultation demonstrates that this Government is willing to consider a wide range of options for rebalancing the economy. The paper was an election pledge and a key commitment for Northern Ireland in the Coalition Programme for Government. It includes a comprehensive and balanced discussion on the potential for the setting of the rate of corporation tax in Northern Ireland to be devolved to the Northern Ireland Executive. I would encourage people and businesses throughout Northern Ireland to contribute their views to the Treasury during the

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HMT Consultation Paper



Owen Paterson (L) and David Gauke (R)



Consultation Launch Media



David Gauke



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