

A photograph of a conference room. In the foreground, a stack of white papers is on a dark wooden table, held together by a silver paperclip. The top sheet of paper has some faint, illegible text. Behind the table, several red upholstered chairs are arranged in a row. The background is slightly blurred, showing more of the room and possibly a window.

**West Newfoundland Regional
Appeal Board
Activity Plan 2007-2008**

Hon. Dave Denine, M.H.A.
Minister
Municipal Affairs
P.O. Box 8700
St. John's NL A1B 4J6

Dear Minister Denine:

In accordance with Government's commitment to accountability, I have the honour to submit the West Newfoundland Regional Appeal Board Transition Report for 2007-08.

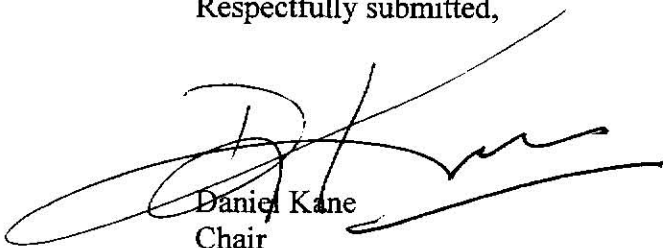
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As Chairperson responsible for the West Newfoundland Regional Appeal Board, I accept responsibility for the 2007-08 Transition Plan.

I look forward to the next fiscal year.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Daniel Kane', is written over a horizontal line. The signature is stylized and cursive.

Daniel Kane
Chair
West Newfoundland Regional Appeal Board

2007-08 Transition Plan for the West Newfoundland Regional Appeal Board

Entity Overview:

Regional Appeal Boards are established under the *Urban and Rural Planning Act, 2000* to hear appeals arising from:

- a decision made under a town's Development Regulations;
- a decision to issue an Order under Section 102 of the *Urban and Rural Planning Act, 2000*;
- a decision to issue an Order under Section 404 of the *Municipalities Act, 1999* and similar sections of the *City of Mount Pearl Act* and the *City of Corner Brook Act*;
- a decision to refuse to issue a permit under Section 194 of the *Municipalities Act, 1999*;
- a decision made under a town's Interim Development Regulations;
- a decision under a Local Area Plan, Protected Area Plan, Protected Road Zoning Regulations, and Highway Sign Regulations;
- a decision made under a town's Occupancy and Maintenance Regulations; and
- decisions made under any other Act or Regulations where specifically designated.

Regional Appeal Boards considers and determines an appeal in accordance with legislation and Section 42 of the *Urban and Rural Planning Act, 2000*. The Board can confirm, reverse or vary council's decision and may impose conditions. The Board may direct council to carry out its decision.

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Mandate:

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Primary Clients:

The West Newfoundland Regional Appeal Board's primary clients are residents of the Western Region and who feel aggrieved by council's decision as outlined in the Entity Overview section above. The West Newfoundland Regional Appeal Board has jurisdiction over Western Newfoundland and more particularly described as all that area of the Island of Newfoundland situated west of a line drawn from Hampton to Rose Blanche and including both of those communities.

Primary Goal:

By March 31, 2008, the West Newfoundland Regional Appeal Board will receive, register, and hear appeals in accordance with legislated authority under Section 42 of the *Urban and Rural Planning Act, 2000*.

Measure: Hearing of appeals

Indicators:

- number of appeals received,
- number of appeals registered,
- number of appeals heard,
- number of appeals withdrawn, and
- number of appeal hearing days

Financial Resources:

The West Newfoundland Regional Appeal Board does not have its own funds or financial statements. Board members are paid a per diem plus related travel expenses from the budget of the Department of Municipal Affairs.