

A week in the life of an MLA – Friday

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MHD: Mark H Durkan
JAD: Jo-Anne Dobson
AR: Alastair Ross
CL: Chris Lyttle
SR: Sue Ramsey

MHD: Well Friday is a day when Assembly business in Stormont is set aside and most MLAs will use that time in their own constituencies.

JAD: Friday is probably one of the busiest days of all because it's just constituency work solid.

AR: So we'll be in our offices in our constituencies dealing with the many varied issues that constituents will bring to us. Those can be anything from benefit enquiries,

CL: education, like housing and planning issues as well.

SR: One day you can be dealing with legislation up here and the next day you're dealing, you know, Mrs O'Brien, or Mrs Murphy who's just got her bin stolen and how you make, how do you try and make a difference in her life.

AR: We'd also use the opportunity to go out and visit some constituents, whether at their homes, or going to visit schools or businesses in our local area. So Friday tends to be a very busy day in the constituencies and the day when the public, I suppose, get to see us out and about round our constituencies.