

## Elliott calls on Foster to de-list the Maze and prevent a shrine



E-mail to a friend July 19th, 2007 Tom Elliott MLA

Ulster Unionist Fermanagh and South Tyrone MLA Tom Elliott today said that preventing the maze site turning into a republican shrine lay in the gift of DUP Minister for the Environment Arlene Foster.

Mr Elliott said the sticking point lay in the fact that part of the site was a listed building and were the Minister to de-list the site, a shrine would not be an option.

In a statement Mr Elliott said,

"The talk of a shrine at the Maze has provoked much debate, not least within the DUP. The general concensus is that a shrine is abhorrent to most and particularly insulting to the victims of terrorist violence.

As far as many can see the only reason that this issue is still on the table or up for political debate is because the building is listed, preventing any other development on the site.

Mrs Foster, as DOE Minister has control over listing and indeed delisting. It is time that the DUP put their money where their mouth is on this issue and settled it once and for all by Mrs Foster de-listing the site."

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