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What should the future size of the Northern Ireland Assembly be? - As small as possible.

Do you believe that there should be combination of Parliamentary and Assembly elections in 2015 or should these be decoupled? - Combination.

Do you think the term of the current Northern Ireland Assembly should be extended from 2015 to 2016? - No. We didn't vote for that at the last election.

Should the Northern Ireland Assembly move to a fixed 5-year term permanently? - Yes. Should be same as Westminster.

Do you believe that representatives should be prohibited from holding the offices of MP and MLA at the same time? - Yes. You can't do two jobs as well as you can do one.

Should MLAs also be prohibited from being members of the House of Lords? - Yes, at the same time, but the best of them should be able to move to the Lords.

Is it better to use primary legislation to ban such practices outright at the earliest opportunity or to take a power to do so at a later date to allow space for agreement to be reached? - Don't think it really matters.

Do you think the Assembly would operate more effectively with a system which provides for a government and an effective opposition? If so, how can this system best be achieved? - The vision must be for a government and an opposition. Not sure how to get there or when but as soon as possible would be best. The current system doesn't seem to work very well.