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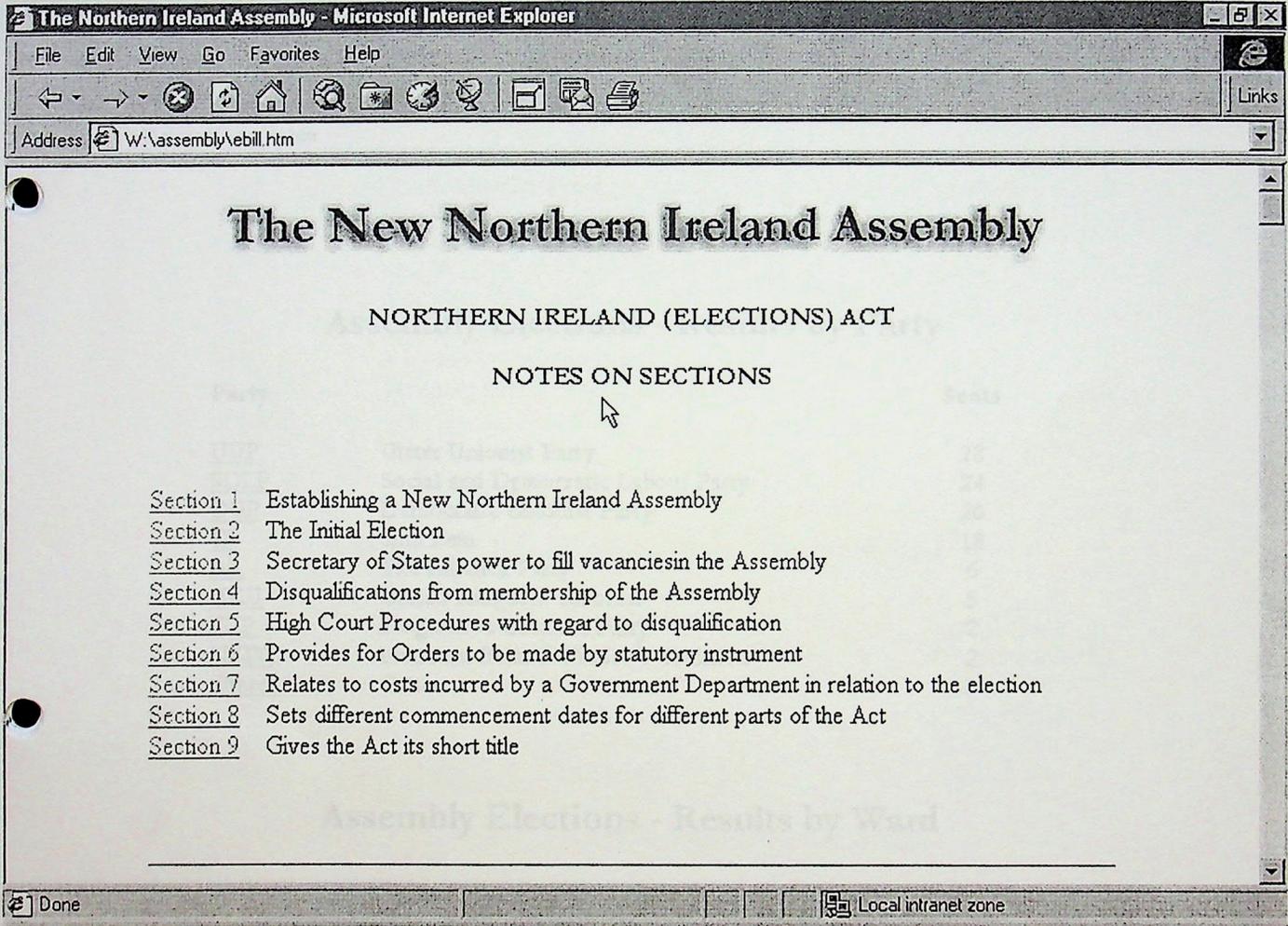
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The Agreement



Agreement reached in the multi-party negotiations

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Assembly Elections - Results by Party

Party		Seats
<u>UUP</u>	Ulster Unionist Party	28
<u>SDLP</u>	Social and Democratic Labour Party	24
<u>DUP</u>	Democratic Unionist Party	20
<u>SF</u>	Sinn Fein	18
<u>All</u>	The Alliance Party	6
<u>UKU</u>	United Kingdom Unionist	5
<u>PUP</u>	Progressive Unionist Party	2
<u>NIWC</u>	Northern Ireland Women's Coalition	2
<u>Others</u>	Other	3

Assembly Elections - Results by Ward

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Assembly Elections - Results by Ward

Belfast East Belfast West Ferm & South Tyrone Mid Ulster North Down Strangford	Belfast North East Antrim Foyle Newry & Armagh South Antrim Upper Bann	Belfast South East Londonderry Lagan Valley North Antrim South Down West Tyrone
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The Ulster Unionist Party

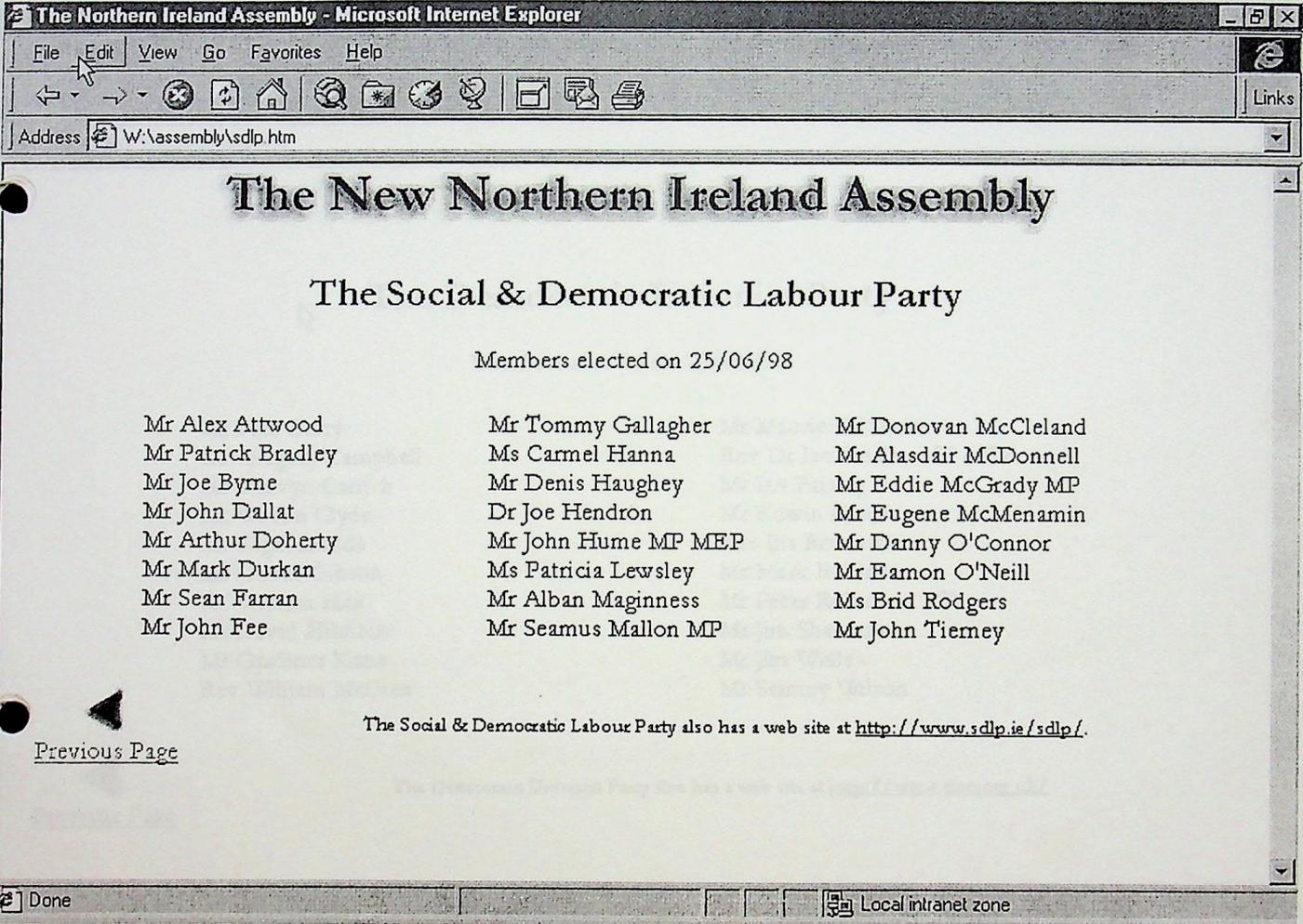
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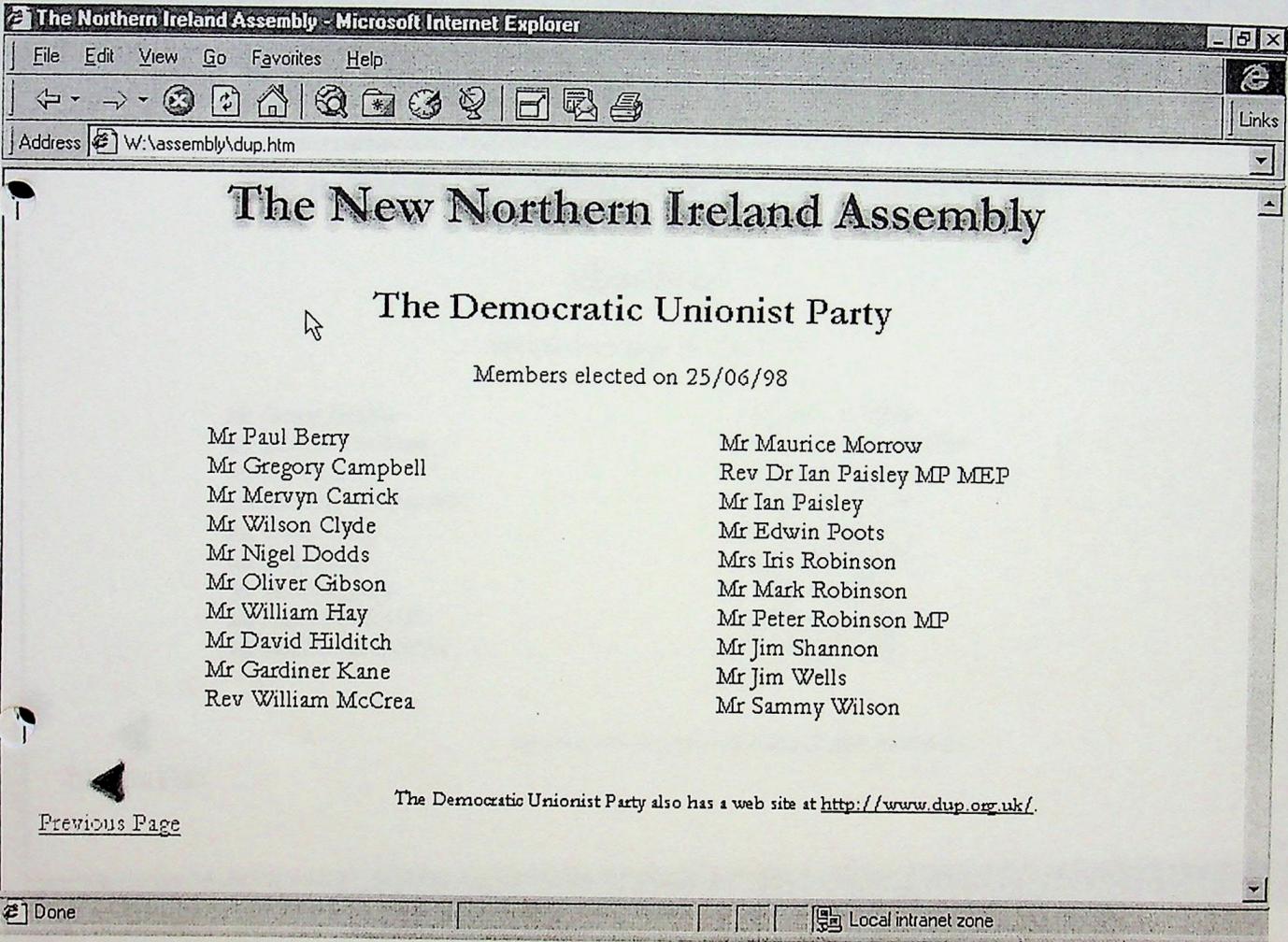
Mr Ian Adamson	Mr Ivan Davis	Mr Michael McGimpsey
Ms Pauline Armitage	Mr Reg Empey	Mr Dermot Nesbit
Mr Billy Armstrong	Mr Sam Foster	Mr Ken Robinson
Mr Roy Beggs, Jnr	Sir John Gorman	Mr George Savage
Mr Billy Bell	Mr Derek Hussey	Mr Duncan Shipley Dalton
Mr Tom Benson	Mr Danny Kennedy	Rt Hon John Taylor MP PT
Mr Esmond Birnie	Mr James Leslie	Rt Hon David Trimble MP PC
Ms Joan Carson	Mr David McClarty	Mr Peter Weir
Mr Fred Cobain	Mr Alan McFarland	Mr Jim Wilson
Rev Robert Coulter		

The Ulster Unionist Party also has a web site at <http://www.uup.org/>.

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The Democratic Unionist Party

Members elected on 25/06/98

Mr Paul Berry
Mr Gregory Campbell
Mr Mervyn Carrick
Mr Wilson Clyde
Mr Nigel Dodds
Mr Oliver Gibson
Mr William Hay
Mr David Hilditch
Mr Gardiner Kane
Rev William McCrea

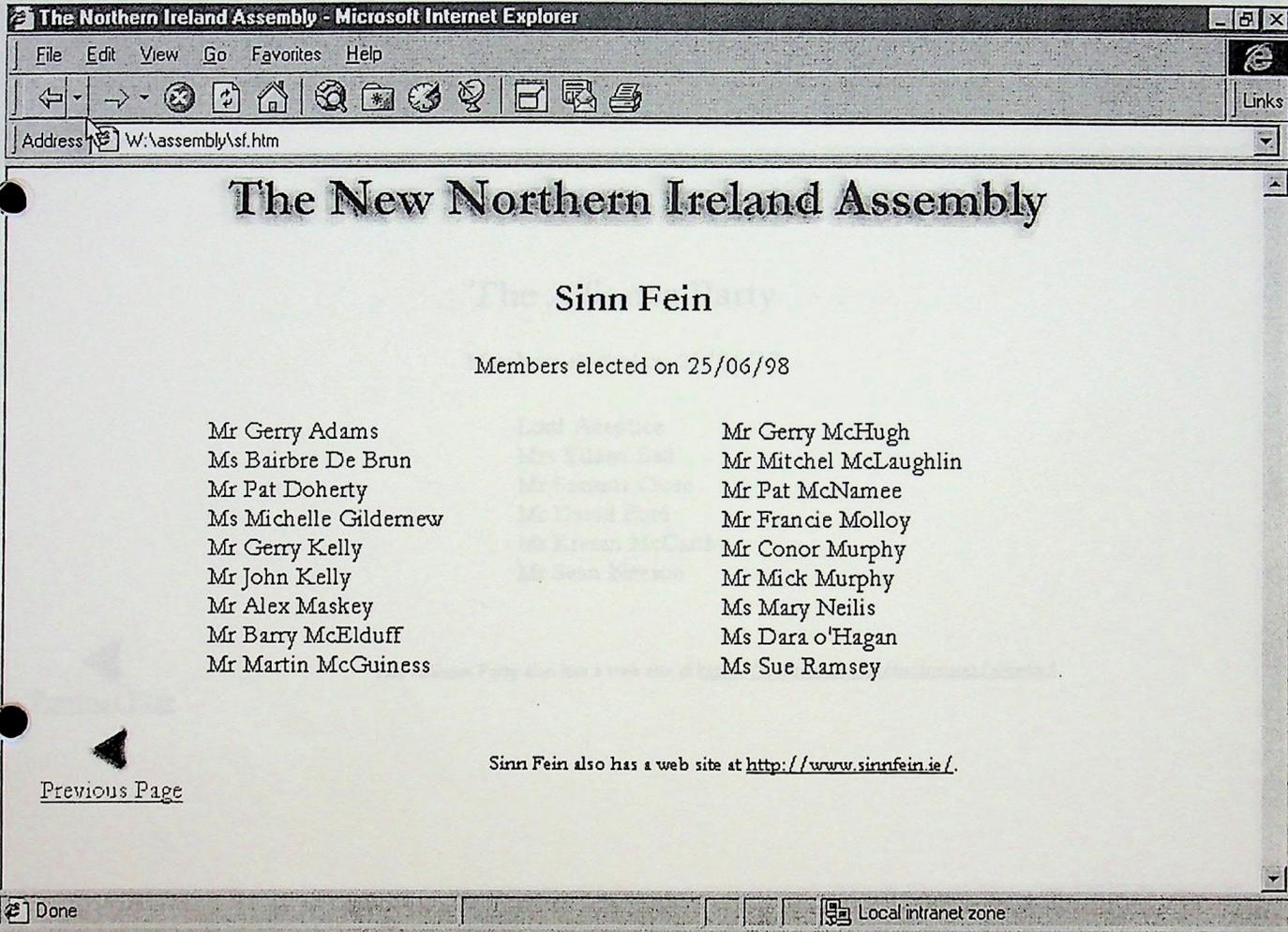
Mr Maurice Morrow
Rev Dr Ian Paisley MP MEP
Mr Ian Paisley
Mr Edwin Poots
Mrs Iris Robinson
Mr Mark Robinson
Mr Peter Robinson MP
Mr Jim Shannon
Mr Jim Wells
Mr Sammy Wilson

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Sinn Fein

Members elected on 25/06/98

Mr Gerry Adams
Ms Bairbre De Brun
Mr Pat Doherty
Ms Michelle Gildemew
Mr Gerry Kelly
Mr John Kelly
Mr Alex Maskey
Mr Barry McElduff
Mr Martin McGuinness

Mr Gerry McHugh
Mr Mitchel McLaughlin
Mr Pat McNamee
Mr Francie Molloy
Mr Conor Murphy
Mr Mick Murphy
Ms Mary Neilis
Ms Dara o'Hagan
Ms Sue Ramsey

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Sinn Fein also has a web site at <http://www.sinnfein.ie/>.

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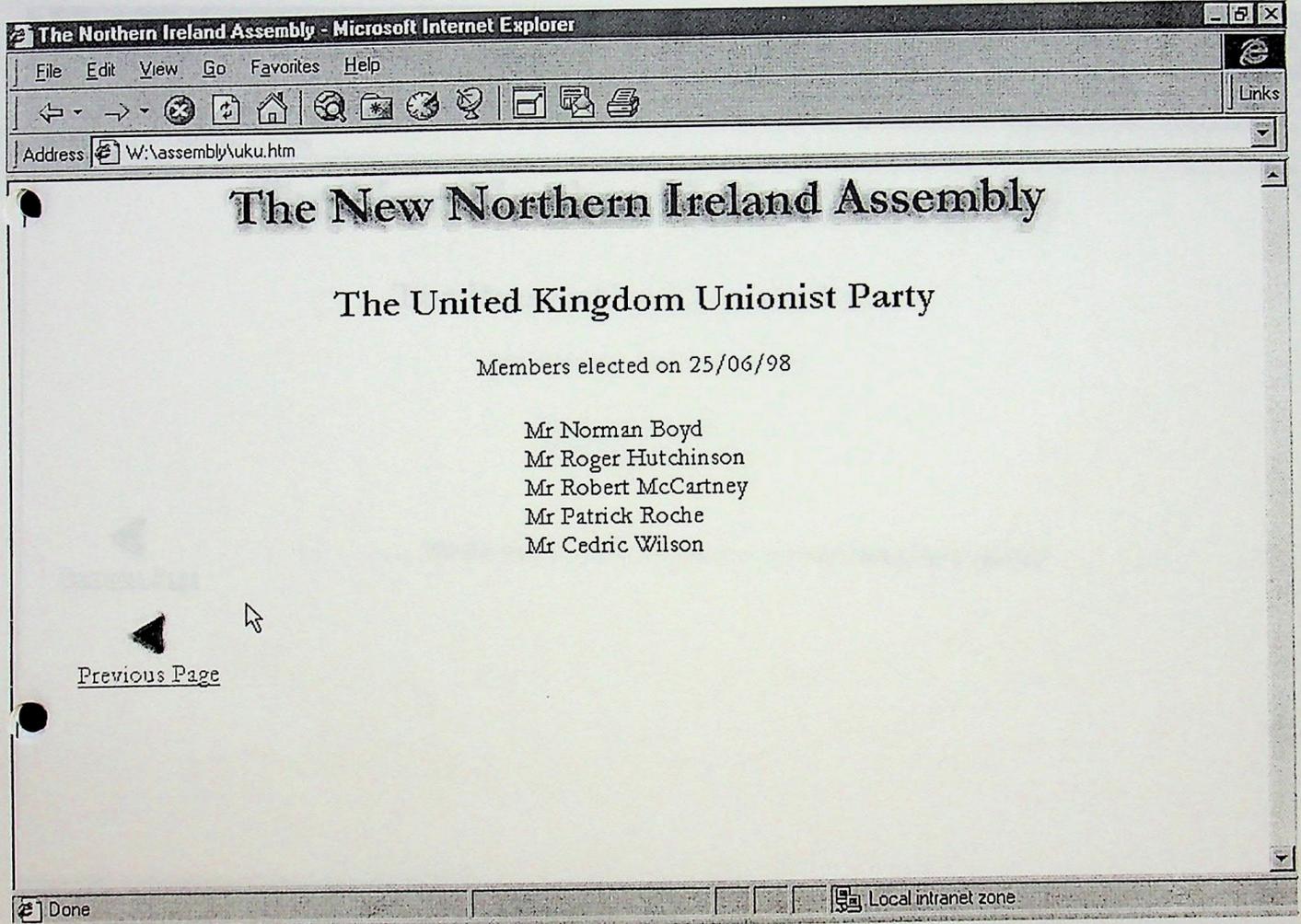
The Alliance Party

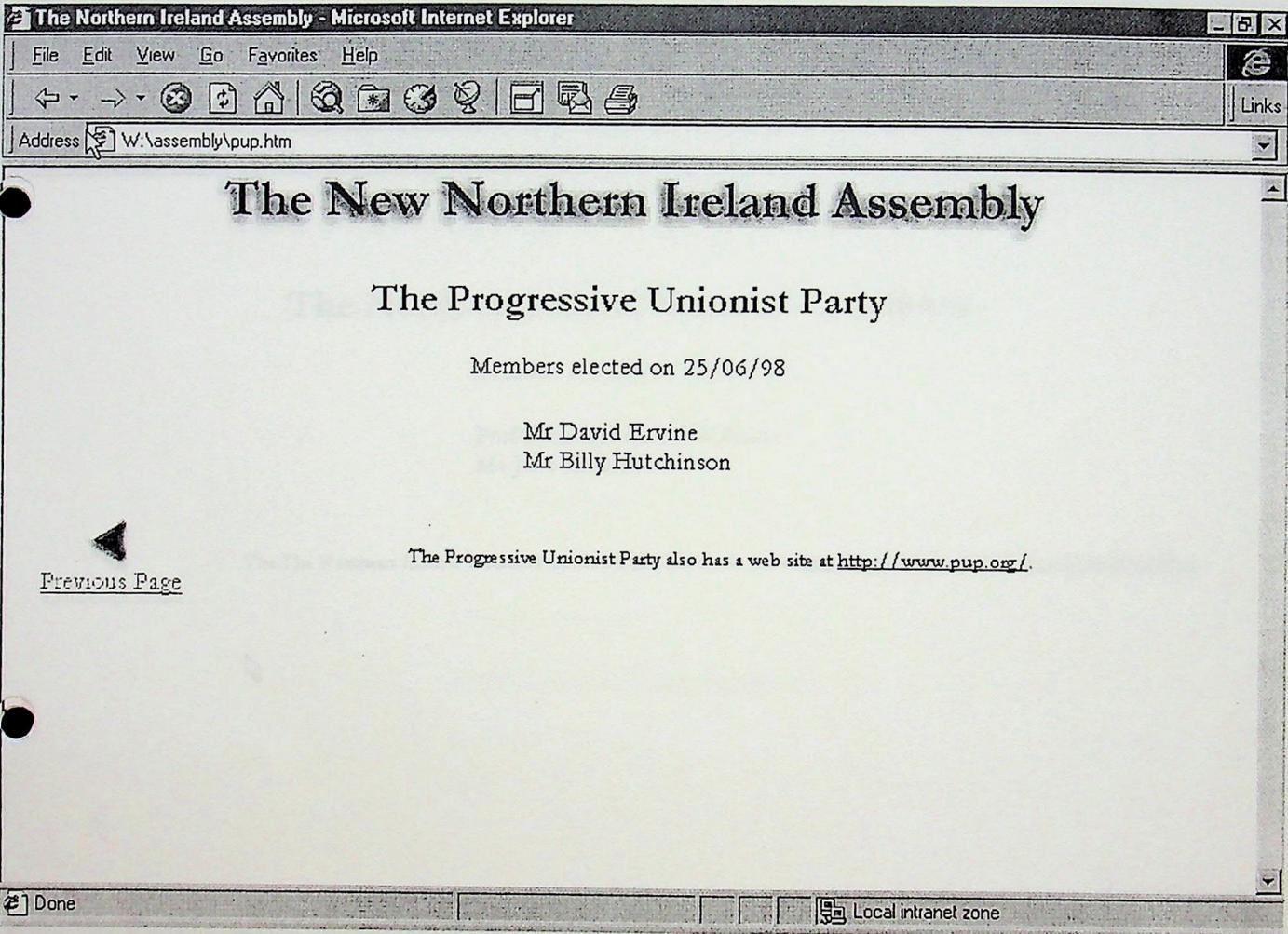
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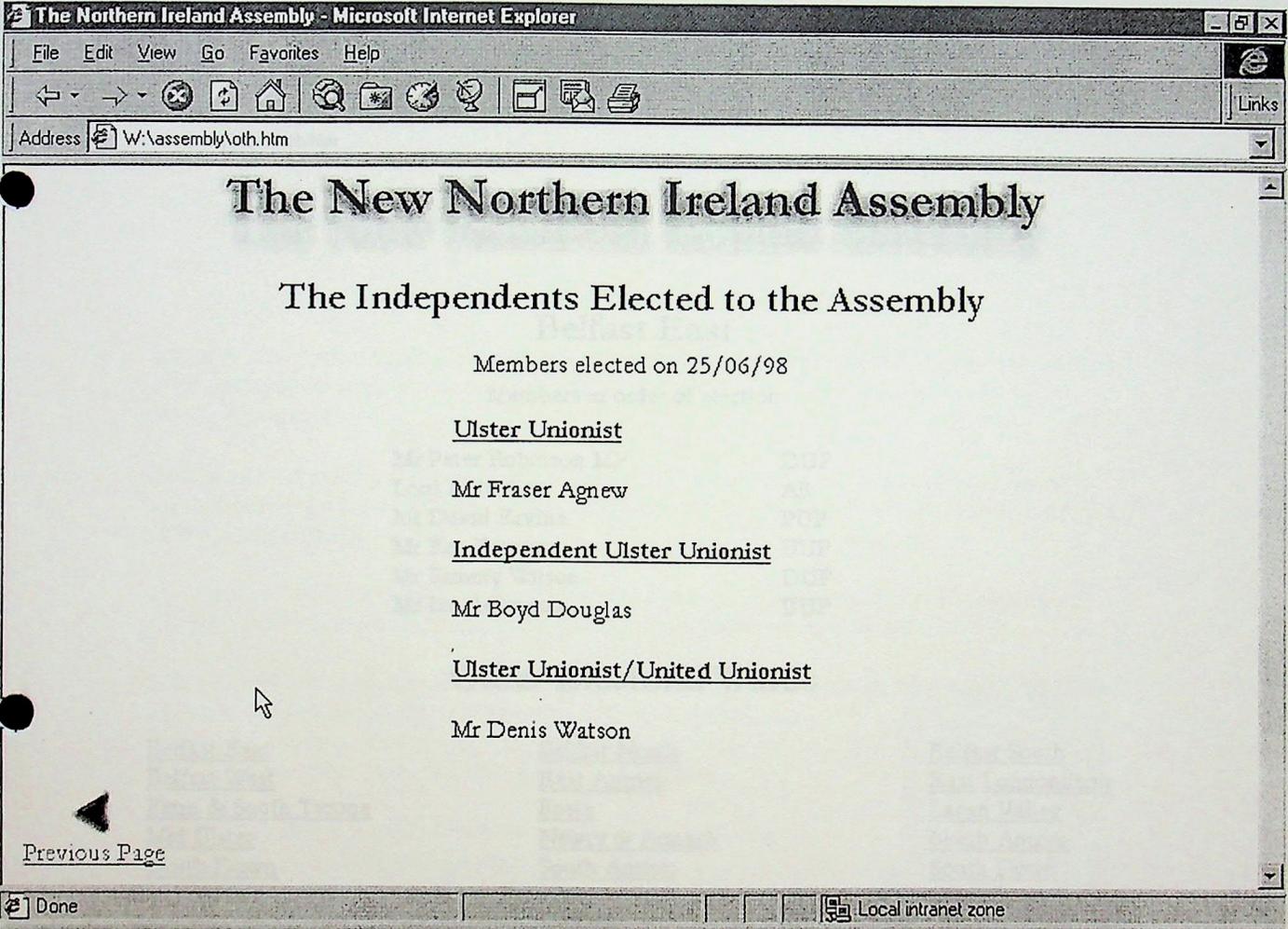
- Lord Aderdice
- Mrs Eileen Bell
- Mr Seamus Close
- Mr David Ford
- Mr Kieran McCarthy
- Mr Sean Neeson

The Alliance Party also has a web site at <http://www.unite.net/customers/alliance/>.

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The Independents Elected to the Assembly

Members elected on 25/06/98

Ulster Unionist

Mr Fraser Agnew

Independent Ulster Unionist

Mr Boyd Douglas

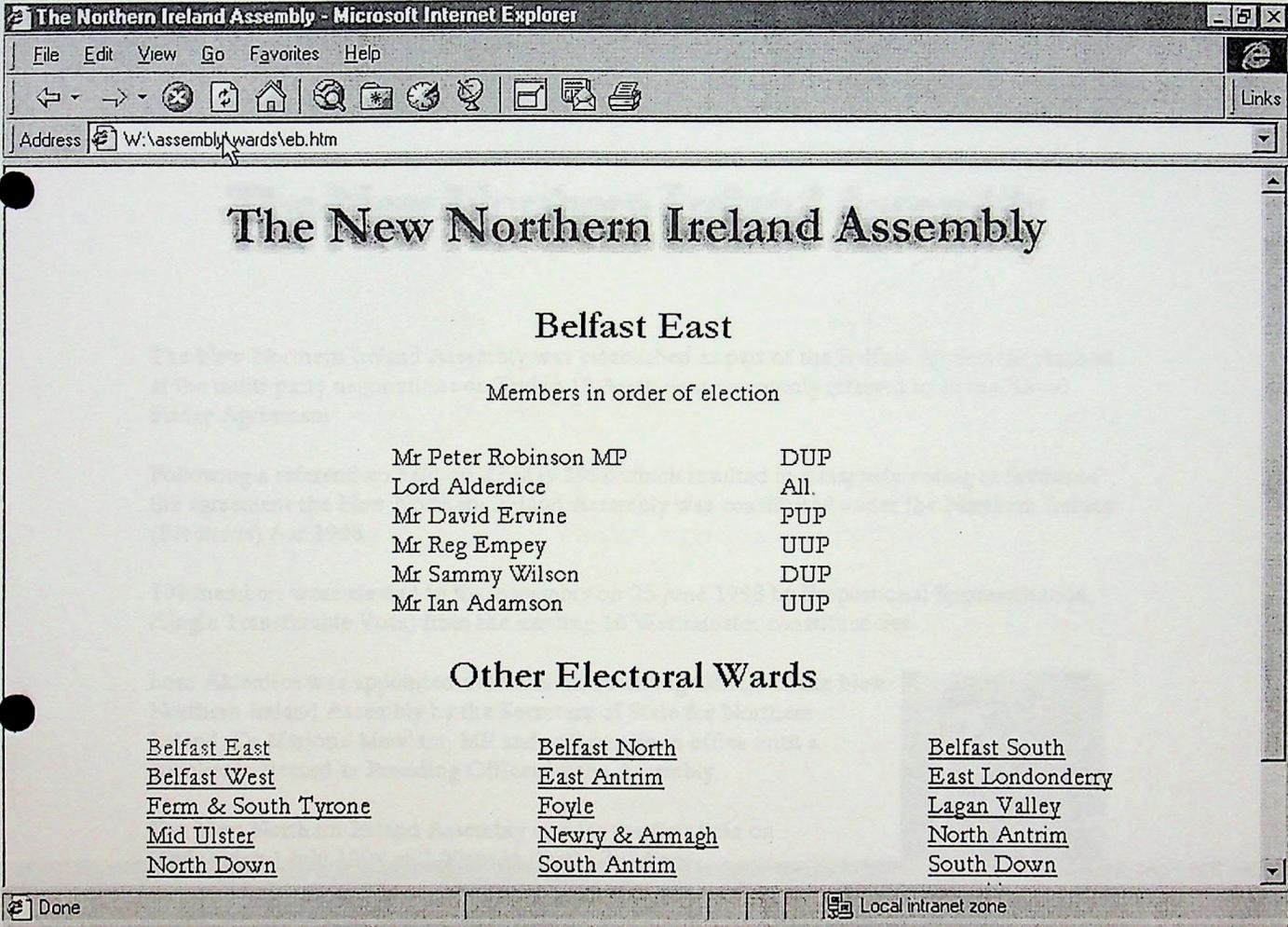
Ulster Unionist/United Unionist

Mr Denis Watson

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The New Northern Ireland Assembly was established as part of the Belfast Agreement reached at the multi-party negotiations on Friday 10 April, now commonly referred to as the 'Good Friday Agreement'

Following a referendum held on 22 May 1998 which resulted in a majority voting in favour of the agreement the New Northern Ireland Assembly was constituted under the Northern Ireland (Elections) Act 1998.

108 members were elected to the Assembly on 25 June 1998 by Proportional Representation (Single Transferable Vote) from the existing 18 Westminster constituencies.

Lord Alderdice was appointed as the initial Presiding Officer of the New Northern Ireland Assembly by the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, Dr Marjorie Mowlam, MP and will remain in office until a member is elected as Presiding Officer by the Assembly.



The New Northern Ireland Assembly met for the first time on Wednesday 1 July 1998 at 2.00pm in Castle Buildings



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Mr Seamus Mallon MP
Deputy First Minister (Designate)



The Rt Hon David Trimble MP
First Minister (Designate)

The Assembly also agreed at this meeting to establish 2 Committees to

- o assist the Assembly in its consideration of Standing Orders; and
- o advise the Presiding Officer on the arrangement of business of the Assembly and on practical issues related to the provision of appropriate facilities for members.

As had been determined by the Secretary of State under the Northern Ireland (Elections) Act 1998 the Assembly will meet in Parliament Buildings from September 1998

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