

Taoiseach Pays Tribute to Gordon Brown

The Taoiseach, Brian Cowen TD, tonight paid tribute to Gordon Brown following the announcement of his intention to resign as Prime Minister.

The Taoiseach said:

“ I offer my best wishes to Gordon Brown, to Sarah and to their family as he steps down as Prime Minister.

Gordon Brown has been a very good friend to Ireland throughout his career in Government.

He showed his commitment to peace in Northern Ireland and to positive British-Irish relations in his extraordinary personal contribution to the talks that led to the Hillsborough agreement earlier this year.

He has also provided strong and insightful international leadership in the global economic crisis and in the fight against poverty and disease around the world.

I know that he has always tried, in all he has done, to work for the good of everyone in British society.

I wish him well for the future and look forward to working with his successor. ”

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