

## **It's checkmate for Hydebank young offenders!**

Young offenders at Hydebank Wood College are turning to the noble sporting pursuit of chess as a distraction from the isolation of prison life.

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## **"Work together to help protect vital services": Nesbitt**

Health Minister Mike Nesbitt has today launched the Department's 2025/26 Overarching Winter Preparedness Plan, setting out key measures to protect health and social care services during another challenging winter period.

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## **Adult and Youth Reoffending in Northern Ireland (2022/23 Cohort) Published Today**

The Department of Justice (DoJ) today published Research and Statistics Bulletin: Adult and Youth Reoffending In Northern Ireland (2022/23 Cohort)'.

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## **Education Minister welcomes PAC focus on urgent need for investment in the schools' estate**

Education Minister Paul Givan has welcomed the publication of the Public Accounts Committee (PAC) report into the management of the schools' estate, recognising that it brings into sharp focus the critical and long-standing issues of school infrastructure and funding.

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# Archibald launches new Skills Action Plan

Economy Minister Dr Caoimhe Archibald has unveiled a new Skills Action Plan that sets out how her Department will work in partnership to build the local skills base and deliver a sustainable, prosperous economy.