Results from the June Agricultural Census 2023

The results from the June 2023 Agricultural Census have been released today, Thursday 14 December 2023, by the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs (DAERA). The statistics provide estimates of crop areas and numbers of livestock on active farm businesses on the survey date of 1 June 2023.

Quarterly Carers' Statistics for Northern Ireland (July - September 2023)

The Department of Health (DoH) has today published "Quarterly Carers' Statistics for Northern Ireland (July — September 2023)".

Launch of recruitment competition for a Chair and a Non-Executive Member to the Board of Northern Ireland Water

The Department for Infrastructure (DfI) has announced a recruitment campaign to appoint a Chair and a Non-Executive Member to the Board of Northern Ireland Water.

<u>Appointment of Independent Chair of</u> <u>the review of the roles and</u>

responsibilities of councillors in Northern Ireland

The Department for Communities has announced the appointment of Mr Maynard Mawhinney as the Independent Chair of a working group which will review the roles and responsibilities of councillors in Northern Ireland. The appointment takes effect from 1 December 2023.

NI Pupils perform well in mathematics, reading and science in International Survey

A major international survey of educational achievement of 15-year-olds shows that young people in Northern Ireland continue to perform highly compared to young people in other education systems across the world.