

## **Junior Ministers hail work of Urban Village Initiatives in north and west Belfast**

Junior Ministers Declan Kearney and Gary Middleton have hailed the life-changing impact community-led health, educational and training projects are making in Urban Village areas.

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## **Minister Poots consults on NI's first ever Rural Policy Framework**

Rural Affairs Minister Edwin Poots has launched a public consultation on Northern Ireland's first ever Rural Policy Framework that aims to create a sustainable rural community where people want to live, work and be active.

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## **Northern Ireland Composite Economic Index Quarter 1 2021**

The Northern Ireland Composite Economic Index (NICEI) Q1 2021 was published today by the Northern Ireland Statistics & Research Agency (NISRA).

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## **Importance of improved digital connectivity cannot be overstated – Lyons**

Economy Minister Gordon Lyons has visited Killyleagh as hundreds of homes and businesses in the area go live with access to next generation access broadband speeds under Project Stratum.

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## **Poots and McConalogue visit Devenish Farm, Co.Meath**

DAERA Minister Edwin Poots MLA and DAFM Minister Charlie McConalogue TD spent a day at the Devenish Group's 'Lands at Dowth' Research and Heritage Farm in County Meath, Ireland, to hear how the farm has developed over the last seven years given its sensitive environmental location within the UNESCO World Heritage site.