

## **Dodds welcomes easing of restrictions on visits to Belfast and Portadown**

Economy Minister today hailed the reopening of retail, outdoor hospitality and some tourism accommodation as “another significant milestone as we move out of lockdown”.

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## **Poots signals support for local potato sector**

Agriculture Minister Edwin Poots MLA, has signalled the introduction of a financial support package for the potato growers impacted by a reduction in demand from the hospitality and food service sector for processing potatoes in the past 7 months due to Covid-19 lockdown measures.

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## **Executive statement on outdoor hospitality**

The Executive has confirmed the position in relation to the regulations in advance of the re-opening of outdoor hospitality tomorrow.

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## **Minister welcomes Fresh Start funding for community based projects**

Communities Minister Deirdre Hargey has welcomed funding of almost £1million to ensure the continued delivery of her Department’s contribution to the Fresh Start initiative.

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## **Emergency Care Waiting Time Statistics** **(January – March 2021)**

The Department of Health (DoH) today published statistics on the time spent in emergency care departments (ED) throughout Northern Ireland during the months of January, February and March 2021.