

## **North South Ministerial Council twenty-sixth Plenary meeting – Joint Communiqué**

1. The twenty-sixth plenary meeting of the North South Ministerial Council (NSMC) was held at the NSMC Joint Secretariat Offices, Armagh, and by videoconference on 30 July 2021.

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## **Mallon announces £400,000 street lighting scheme on the A21 Newtownards Road, Bangor is to commence**

Infrastructure Minister Nichola Mallon has announced that a £400,000 street lighting scheme will begin on the A21 Newtownards Road, Bangor, on Monday 9 August 2021.

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## **Minister confirms extension of free public transport for healthcare workers scheme to 31 August 2021**

Infrastructure Minister Nichola Mallon has confirmed that the temporary scheme to provide free travel for health care staff on public transport services will be extended to 31 August 2021 after which time normal charging will resume.

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## **Poots announces £1.2M Covid-19 support**

## **scheme for sheep farmers**

A Covid-19 support scheme, worth £1.2million, is now available to sheep farmers who were affected by a fall in the global price of wool during the pandemic, Agriculture Minister Edwin Poots MLA has announced.

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## **Vaccine Certification service available up to 1 August**

The Northern Ireland COVID Certification Service will be available from 9am on 30 July for those travelling on 1 August in the first instance.