

First Time Entrants to the Criminal Justice System in Northern Ireland 2024/25 published

The Department of Justice has published the official statistics publications 'First Time Entrants to the Criminal Justice System in Northern Ireland 2024/25'.

Team behind Belsonic concerts back road safety campaign

The team behind the iconic Belsonic and Custom House Square concerts in Belfast have shown support for the Share the Road to Zero campaign aimed at reducing road deaths.

Minister Muir announces £3.05m Marine and Fisheries Grants support

DAERA Minister Andrew Muir has announced that the Marine Environment and Fisheries Fund for Northern Ireland is now open for applications.

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