

Minister Nesbitt announces Cancer Charities Grant Scheme recipients

Health Minister Mike Nesbitt has announced 16 cancer service charities will benefit from a share of the Cancer Charities Grant Scheme, funded by the Department of Health and Macmillan Cancer Support.

Housing and Health Ministers welcome “life-changing” benefits of home adaptations through Disabled Facilities Grant

Communities Minister Gordon Lyons and Health Minister Mike Nesbitt have witnessed firsthand the transformative impact of adaptations on local homes through the Disabled Facilities Grant (DFG).

Announcement of new Interim Chair of the Council for Nature Conservation and the Countryside (CNCC)

DAERA Minister Andrew Muir has appointed Sara McCracken to serve as Interim Chair of the Council for Nature Conservation and the Countryside (CNCC), while a public appointment process is underway to fill this vacancy. The appointment will be effective from 6 April 2026, for a maximum period of six months or until a new Chair is appointed, whichever is the sooner.

Fisheries and Water Environment Bill consultation responses analysis published

The Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs (DAERA) has published responses to two separate policy consultations which will inform the drafting of the Fisheries and Water Environment Bill.

Urgent action needed by PM on fuel and energy costs – First Minister and deputy First Minister

First Minister Michelle O'Neill and deputy First Minister Emma Little-Pengelly have written to the Prime Minister urging him to take immediate action in response to the escalating impact of rising fuel and energy costs on households and businesses here.