[Latest update on coronavirus (Covid-19)](#)

As of 2pm on Thursday 19 March, testing has resulted in 9 new positive cases, bringing the total number of confirmed cases in Northern Ireland to 77.

[Whole of society effort needed to tackle Covid-19: Foster and O'Neill](#)

First Minister Arlene Foster and deputy First Minister Michelle O'Neill have said our whole society must be part of the effort to tackle the impact of Covid-19.

[Minister outlines initial support for Community and Voluntary Groups as they pull together to respond to COVID-19](#)

Communities Minister, Deirdre Hargey MLA wrote today to all community and voluntary sector groups funded by her Department to assure them of her support as they gear up to respond to the impact of COVID-19 in communities here.

['Social care will play vital role during severe Covid-19 challenges'](#)

Chief Social Worker Sean Holland has underlined the essential role social care will play in supporting vulnerable people in the weeks and months ahead.

[Murphy presses Treasury on support for workers and families](#)

Finance Minister, Conor Murphy this evening joined Finance Ministers from Scotland and Wales on a conference call with Chief Secretary to the Treasury, Stephen Barclay.