

Oral Statement by Communities Minister Gordon Lyons MLA on the Northern Ireland Community Infrastructure Fund

Mr. Speaker,

I wish to make a statement to update the House on the launch of the Northern Ireland Community Infrastructure Fund, a major new investment supporting the refurbishment and improvement of community buildings and facilities right across Northern Ireland.

Legal Aid in Northern Ireland: Annual Statistics to March 2025 published today

The Legal Services Agency Northern Ireland today published Statistical Bulletin 2/2025 'Legal Aid in Northern Ireland: Annual Statistics to March 2025'. It is an Official Statistics publication.

Department of Health Launches Consultation on Revised Mental Health Order Code of Practice

The Department of Health today launches a 12-week public consultation on the draft revised Code of Practice to the Mental Health (Northern Ireland) Order 1986.

Labour ministers must now 'call out this act of genocide' say Greens

29 September 2025 by [Green Party](#)

Reacting to Labour members backing an emergency motion declaring that the Israeli government is committing genocide in Gaza, Co-Deputy Leader of the Green Party, Mothin Ali, said:

“By agreeing that the Israeli regime is committing genocide in Gaza, Labour members have exposed their leadership for not only denying what the UN Independent International Commission of Inquiry concluded, and most of the public believe, but also of complicity by continuing to arm Israel.

“Keir Starmer and his ministers must not waste another second in calling out this act of genocide, end immediately the supply of all arms to Israel and impose strict sanctions on the country. It is clear from today’s motion, passed by a majority of Labour members, that conference would be the right time and place to do this.”

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“Britain doesn’t need timid half-measures or cosy deals with the wealthy few” – Greens react to Rachel Reeves speech

29 September 2025 / 29 September 2025 by [Green Party](#)

Reacting to chancellor Rachel Reeves speech to Labour Party conference in Liverpool, Green Party leader Zack Polanski said:

“Rachel Reeves came to conference four years ago promising £28bn a year for green jobs. Today, all Labour can offer is platitudes.

“This is not leadership, it’s managed decline. And while ordinary people are told there’s no money, Labour are rolling out the red carpet for the super-rich. Literally selling [£50,000 lunches with ministers](#). That’s not a party of the people for the many, that’s a party auctioning itself off to the highest

bidders while it continues to ask the most vulnerable to plug the gap.

“Rightly, people will be asking why they are being asked to pay more when the very rich continue to get wealthier and some of them get to wine and dine inside the Labour Party conference.

“Britain doesn’t need timid half-measures or cosy deals with the wealthy few. We need bold, unapologetic investment in climate action, green jobs, and public services. Increasingly, it’s obvious, only the Greens are willing to fight for that future.”

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