

Infrastructure Minister appoints a Chair to the Board of Northern Ireland Transport Holding Company

Infrastructure Minister, Liz Kimmins has appointed, Mr Frank Allen as Chair on the Board of the Northern Ireland Transport Holding Company (NITHC).

Young People's Attitudes to Refugees and Asylum Seekers in Northern Ireland 2024

The Executive Office today published the 'Young People's Attitudes to Refugees and Asylum Seekers in Northern Ireland 2024' report.

O'Dowd welcomes Budget Bill passing final stages in the Assembly

Finance Minister John O'Dowd welcomed the 2024-25 Budget passing its final legislative stages in the Assembly.

IFA senior women's football team backs road safety campaign

Northern Ireland international footballer and Glentoran Women player Emily Wilson has backed a road safety campaign to reduce road deaths.

Green Party demands ambitious action in wake of Climate Change Committee report

As the Climate Change Committee publishes its 7th carbon budget [1], the co-leader of the Green Party, Adrian Ramsay MP, has demanded the Government ensure ambitious climate action isn't delayed any further – and for polluters to pay the highest price, not the poorest in our communities.

Adrian Ramsay MP said: "Today's advice from the Climate Change Committee (CCC) makes clear that a climate safe future is still within our grasp – and that the cost of not reducing climate emissions will be far higher for our economy than the cost of investment in net zero. Crucially, we need to see the Government make investment choices that result in households benefiting financially from climate action too – both by ensuring everyone can access renewables and energy efficiency and because they are paying lower bills. The public are clear that they want to see the worst climate polluters pay, and we need to make sure that the costs of climate action never fall on those least able to afford it.

"A thriving green economy is also vital if we are to prevent climate deniers, like Reform, from weaponising the mass destruction of climate chaos. Instead, we must help the most vulnerable and build resilience in communities to adapt to climate breakdown."

He continued: "Without an immediate acceleration of climate ambition, our economy, national security and environment are all at serious risk. That's why we are disappointed not to see the CCC go even further on measures to reduce energy demand. In the face of impending airport expansion decisions by this Labour government, more ambitious policy is urgently needed to keep the aviation sector in check. Their advice shows strong public support for limiting airport expansion and introducing a frequent flier levy where the small percentage of the population who take the vast majority of the flights have to pay more .

"The CCC have shown that a positive, fairer, jobs-rich, greener future is possible, and they have set a clear pathway for the Government to follow. Now, we need the Government to step up, stop the vested interests who are intent on delaying, and show the ambition and leadership this moment demands."

Notes

1. [The Seventh Carbon Budget – Climate Change Committee](#)

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