

## **Minister addresses Protocol with Eustice and Frost**

Agriculture Minister Edwin Poots has met with Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs George Eustice and Minister of State, Lord Frost at the Balmoral Show to stress the importance of the agri-food sector and the impact the Northern Ireland Protocol is having on it.

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## **Lyons urges businesses get involved in the High Street Scheme**

Economy Minister Gordon Lyons today encouraged retailers, hospitality and services sectors across Northern Ireland to show their support for the High Street Support Scheme which opens for applications between 27th September and October 25th.

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## **Road safety at Balgay Hill – an update #dundeewestend**



As residents may recall, some time ago, I discussed with officers in environment management at the City Council measures to improve safety on the roadway at Balgay Hill going up to the observatory. This included better signage of the 10 mph speed limit and better traffic management to protect pedestrians.

Progress with this has been delayed due to the COVID-19 health emergency but I recently asked for an update on the matter and have been given the following helpful feedback from the Service Manager – Environment at the City Council :

**“I appreciate your understanding throughout the covid 19 emergency and would confirm that we remain outwith our normal service provision due to ongoing measures. Nevertheless, we have made some progress since we last exchanged emails. Our discussions with the City Engineers have led to a costed design for traffic calming measures in the form of speed bumps and additional signage along the road.**

**It is our intention to progress the above works this financial year.**

**In the meantime, we will be arranging for the road to be swept again, to reveal the white paint is fully visible before the observatory is opened and traffic is permitted passed the gate.**

We will also ensure the rock armour placement is correct which can be moved if necessary.”

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## **Knowledge is Power: The Struggle for Education for All**

The pioneers of universal education in the 18th century aspired to change an education system that provided for only a tiny section of society.

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## **Jabs now available at Balmoral Show**

The Health and Agriculture Ministers have urged any unvaccinated visitors to the Balmoral Show to use the opportunity to get jabbed.