

Poots – Green Growth is the way forward

Minister for Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs, Edwin Poots MLA says that developing and defending our natural assets is key to creating a resilient economy and a healthy environment and should be at the heart of future Government policies and business strategies.

Road improvement scheme for Old Holywood Road, Belfast

A £170,000 road improvement scheme on Old Holywood Road, Belfast will commence on Monday 27 September 2021.

Minister Mallon launches the 2021/22 £100,000 grants scheme for community led road safety initiatives

Infrastructure Minister Nichola Mallon has launched the 2021/22 Road Safety (Safe Travel) Grant Scheme. Individuals and community groups can apply for funding of up to £10,000 to develop and deliver local road safety initiatives.

West End parking charges to unfortunately return #dundeewestend



As residents know, I have consistently opposed the imposition of car parking charges at seven West End car parks – Roseangle, Pennycook Lane, Miller’s Wynd, Ryehill Lane, Mid Wynd, Union Street North and Bellfield Street North.

In advance of bringing in a residents’ priority parking scheme, these are simply an unfair tax on local residents, having to pay for the ‘privilege’ of parking near their homes.

The charges have been suspended during the COVID-10 health emergency but, with the start of the University of Dundee’s first semester, are being reintroduced from Monday 27th September. I view this as not acceptable, particularly as so many residents are still working from home.

However, I have been assured that the City Development Department intends completing the residents’ parking consultation in parts of the West End, Coldside and Maryfield Wards by the end of 2021 and will bring a report of possible options for residents’ parking to committee – hopefully in December.

I will, of course, continue to keep residents updated.

Poots previews 2021 Balmoral Show

Agriculture Minister Edwin Poots has previewed this year's Balmoral Show ahead of the doors opening to the public tomorrow for four days filled with food, livestock, entertainment, competitions and fun.