#### **O'Dowd welcomes £16m capital boost**

Every pound invested in infrastructure will deliver a positive difference for communities here.

### <u>Publication of 'DVA Monthly Tests</u> <u>Conducted Statistics – January 2024'</u>

The 'DVA Monthly Tests Conducted Statistics – January 2024' report, containing statistics up to January 2024, is now available.

# O'Dowd announces £487,000 road improvement scheme for A24 Ballynahinch Road, Carryduff

Infrastructure Minister John O'Dowd has announced that a £487,000 carriageway resurfacing scheme on A24 Ballynahinch Road, Carryduff will commence on Monday 26 February 2024.

### <u>O'Dowd reaffirms commitment to</u> promoting biodiversity and protecting the environment

Infrastructure Minister John O'Dowd has reaffirmed his commitment to promoting biodiversity to help address the climate and nature emergency.

# Justice Minister Naomi Long is extending the Sexual Offences Legal Advisers pilot scheme until March 2025.

Minister Long said: "I introduced this pilot scheme in April 2021 to provide free, independent legal advice and advocacy to adult complainants in serious sexual offence cases, up to the point of trial – since then more than 1,600 people have received free legal advice.