<u>Chairperson appointed to Civil Service</u> <u>Pension Board</u>

The Department of Finance has announced the appointment of Mr Bumper Graham as the new Chairperson of the Northern Ireland Civil Service Pension Board.

Bus timetables concern #dundeewestend



A number of residents have highlighted that, although real time bus information is working at bus shelters, paper timetables have been out of date since the bus companies altered services during the health emergency.

As one resident pointed out in relation to the bus stop in Perth Road near Step Row :

"Perth Road is a main local community shopping area where people are being encouraged to think/act sustainably, yet the Step Row Stop (with no real-time display) has the main Stagecoach Tayway high profile route timetable still showing the old 10 minute weekday frequency, with appropriate comments from a disgruntled punter.

Add to that 2018 route maps not updated and ... it is a far cry from "Bringing Confidence to Public Transport". Attention grabbing EV and electric bike hire initiatives are all well and good, but the simple public transport basics should not be forgotten, particularly since the operators' own traditional printed timetables, for now, at least, seem to be hard to find."

I appreciate that, given the changing bus timetables during the health emergency replacing every paper timetable at bus stops is difficult in terms of resourcing but I have sought and obtained assurances from the that erroneous timetables will be removed.

Hopefully once there is more of a return to normal services and stability in timetables, new and correct timetables can be placed at every bus stop and we will also hopefully see the return of suspended bus services like Service 4 and the Blether Bus in the West End.

Individual artists first to benefit from £29m funding package

Individual artists will be the first recipients to benefit from the £29m funding approved by the Executive earlier this month to support the arts, heritage, culture and language sectors as a result of the impact of Covid-19.

<u>Street lighting upgrade scheme on the Northway, Portadown</u>

A £120,000 street lighting upgrade scheme on the Northway, Portadown is due

<u>Health Minister urges united front</u> <u>against Covid-19</u>

Health Minister Robin Swann has urged people across Northern Ireland to "dig in and get through winter together".