

Minister Poots extends closing date to Business Development Groups Scheme

Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs Minister, Edwin Poots, has extended the closing date for applications to the Business Development Groups (BDGs) Scheme, during a visit to CAFRE's Greenmount Campus.

Northern Ireland Termination of Pregnancy Statistics 2018/19

The Department of Health (DoH) today published statistics relating to medical abortions and terminations of pregnancy during 2018/19.

Can you help Marie Curie?



As residents will be aware, [Marie Curie](#) is a registered charitable organisation that provides excellent care and support to people with terminal illnesses and their families.

Marie Curie is looking for volunteers and has provided the following helpful information :

"You can offer your time any day of the week, between 9am and 9pm, so that you can find a time that works for you and the individual that you are supporting.

The type of support our Helper volunteers give often includes: companionship and emotional support; practical help; a break for families and carers; information on other support available and support after a bereavement.

Every day of your life matters, from the first to the last. We believe everyone living with a terminal illness should be able to get the most from the time they have left, however hard that may sometimes feel. We'll be here for you and your family when you may feel like no-one else is, to help you cope when you don't know how.

Marie Curie Nurses care for you in your home, when you need them most, day or night. Our hospices are at the heart of communities around the UK.

And our trained volunteers and advisers are here for you with practical information and support when you don't know what to do next or just need to talk."

To find out more call 07515 134703 or e-mail john.cardno@mariecurie.org.uk – many thanks.

[Labour market statistics](#)

The labour market statistics were published today by the Northern Ireland Statistics and Research Agency.

[Hargey discusses welfare mitigations with key stakeholders](#)

Communities Minister Deirdre Hargey MLA today met with key stakeholders to reaffirm her commitment to extending welfare mitigations beyond 31st March 2020.