# Frew announces £180m investment in new training pathway with FE colleges

Economy Minister Paul Frew today announced an investment of £180million in the NI Traineeship, a new vocational education and training programme for people aged 16 and over.

#### <u>Minister publishes consultation on</u> <u>protections for service animals</u>

Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs Minister, Edwin Poots MLA, has published a consultation on proposals to protect service animals whilst on active duty in Northern Ireland.

#### <u>Concerns regarding Free Trade</u> <u>Agreement with Australia</u>

Agriculture Minister Edwin Poots has written to the Secretary of State George Eustice to express his strong opposition to the prospect of a zero tariff, zero quota Free Trade Agreement (FTA) between the UK and Australia.

## Resurfacing scheme for A20 Portaferry Road, Newtownards

A £195,000 carriageway resurfacing scheme on the A20 Portaferry Road, Newtownards will commence on Monday 7 June 2021.

### Mallon announces £400,000 street lighting scheme on Mandeville Road, Craigavon to commence

Infrastructure Minister Nichola Mallon has announced that a £400,000 street lighting scheme will commence on the A27 Mandeville Road, Craigavon on Tuesday 1 June 2021.