Statement from First Minister Arlene Foster to the Northern Ireland Assembly on Covid-19 restrictions

Mr Speaker, in compliance with Section 52C(2) of the Northern Ireland Act 1998, I wish to make the following Statement on recent decisions taken by the Executive to impact the spread of the Coronavirus epidemic.

Long applauds 'Hidden Heroes' supporting prisoners and community during Covid

Justice Minister Naomi Long has praised prison officers across Northern Ireland for their initiatives to support prisoners and the wider community during the Covid Pandemic.

<u>Minister highlights plan for ambitious</u> <u>new renewable electricity target</u>

Economy Minister Diane Dodds has set out her vision for the energy sector including an ambitious new renewable electricity target for Northern Ireland.

<u>Poots announces new Brucellosis</u> <u>protocol</u>

A new surveillance protocol for Brucellosis will benefit farmers and industry, Agriculture Minister Edwin Poots, MLA, has said.

<u>Chief Inspector of Education Training</u> <u>Inspectorate appointed</u>

Education Minister Peter Weir has welcomed the appointment of Mrs Faustina Graham to the post of Chief Inspector of the Education Training Inspectorate (ETI) in the Department of Education, following an open recruitment competition.