<u>Covid-19 press conference — 3 April</u> 2020

The First Minister Arlene Foster and deputy First Minister Michelle O'Neill with Executive Ministers Robin Swann (Health) and Conor Murphy (Finance) provide an update on actions being taken in response to the Covid-19 crisis.

DAERA Minister urges halt to prescribed fires to aid stretched emergency services

DAERA Minister Edwin Poots has urged farmers and land managers to halt all prescribed burning in the midst of the Covid-19 pandemic in a bid to reduce additional pressures on Northern Ireland's emergency services.

<u>City hospital to be Northern Ireland's</u> <u>first Nightingale hospital</u>

The Department of Health will be designating Belfast City Hospital's tower block as Northern Ireland's first Nightingale Hospital — for the anticipated surge of Covid-19 patients requiring intensive care in the weeks ahead.

<u>Slurry and fertiliser applications for</u> <u>late spring</u>

Advice from CAFRE Dairying advisers

<u>Construction companies supporting</u> <u>essential works must comply with PHA</u> <u>guidelines — Murphy</u>

Finance Minister, Conor Murphy, today talked about the importance of the construction sector and reliefs available for suppliers impacted by Covid-19.