# The Northern Ireland Planning Statistics: First Quarter 2021/22 Statistical Bulletin, has been published today

Provisional planning statistics for the first quarter of 2021/22 are now available.

## Lyons announces 20 high quality training places on Assured Skills Academy with Version 1

Economy Minister Gordon Lyons today announced 20 training places on a new Assured Skills Academy with IT services provider Version 1.

### Nation Brands Index 2021: International Perceptions of Northern Ireland's Response to COVID-19

The Executive Office today published the 'Nation Brands Index 2021: International Perceptions of Northern Ireland's Response to COVID-19' statistical bulletin.

#### Appeal for pregnant women to get

#### vaccinated

Pregnant women are being reassured that vaccination is the most effective way to protect themselves and their babies from COVID-19.

### First substantial changes to licensing laws in 25 years to take place in October

The first changes from new legislation to reform liquor licensing laws here will come into effect on 1 October 2021, Communities Minister Deirdre Hargey has announced.