

Minister announces improved Air Quality Alert system to help protect public health

Environment Minister Edwin Poots MLA has announced changes to his Department's High Air Pollution Alert Protocol in order to improve how the public are informed when periods of high air pollution are forecast or being experienced in Northern Ireland.

Poots launches NI's first ever scheme to protect our pollinators

Environment Minister Edwin Poots has launched Northern Ireland's first ever Rural Community Pollinator Scheme to improve the health of our bees and pollinators and help protect our eco-systems.

Statement on Executive decisions – social distancing

With furlough due to end in a few days we are very aware of the financial burden on businesses that aren't yet able to operate at full capacity due to the current social distancing restrictions and the very real concerns of those people whose jobs are at risk.

High interest in Tier 2 FBIS Capital Scheme

Almost 900 Expressions of Interest have been received by the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs for the second tranche of Tier 2

of the Farm Business Improvement Scheme – Capital (FBIS-C).

Mallon extends temporary changes to major planning application process

The temporary suspension of the requirement to hold a public event as part of pre-application community consultation on major planning applications has been extended for a further six months.