## <u>Testing a crucial part of pandemic response</u>

Testing is a crucial element in the pandemic response and will aid the reopening of Northern Ireland.

#### Northern Ireland Environmental Statistics Report released

The Northern Ireland Environmental Statistics Report has been published today by the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs (DAERA).

# Publication of 'The Prevalence of Autism (including Aspergers Syndrome) in School Age Children in Northern Ireland - Annual Report 2021'

The Department of Health has today published 'The Prevalence of Autism (including Aspergers Syndrome) in School age Children in Northern Ireland. Annual report 2021'. These figures have been extracted from the Northern Ireland School Census collected by the Department of Education.

### <u>Poots launches initiatives to protect</u> <u>pollinators</u>

Over one third of Northern Ireland's bee species are under threat of extinction, Environment Minister Edwin Poots MLA has said on World Bee Day.

### <u>Funding deadline approaches for</u> <u>projects to protect nature - Poots</u>

Environmental projects that connect people with nature, improve our best habitats or help tackle threats facing our natural environment such as the decline of native species are being urged to apply for funding.