### <u>Poots welcomes packaging partnership</u> <u>to tackle plastic pollution</u>

Environment Minister Edwin Poots has welcomed a new partnership that will fund training places for packaging technologists in a drive to find more sustainable alternatives to single-use plastics.

# <u>Appointment of new member to the Education Authority (EA)</u>

The Minister of Education has announced the appointment of a new replacement member to the Board of the Education Authority (EA), nominated by the Governing Bodies Association to represent the interests of voluntary grammar schools.

# The Northern Ireland Planning Statistics: Third Quarter 2020/21 Statistical Bulletin, has been published today

Provisional planning statistics for the third quarter of 2020/21 are now available.

#### <u>Cancer Recovery Plan being finalised —</u> Swann

Health officials are finalising a cancer recovery plan for Northern Ireland, Health Minister Robin Swann has emphasised.

## <u>Weir welcomes reopening of Sure Start</u> <u>and youth services</u>

Education Minister Peter Weir has welcomed the phased return of Sure Start and youth services.