

## **Minister Ní Chuilín committed to improving our response to homelessness**

Everyone should have the right to support, the right to safety and the right to a home.

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## **APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRPERSON TO THE BOARD OF THE EDUCATION AUTHORITY**

The Department of Education has announced the appointment of Mr Barry Mulholland to the post of Chairperson of the Board of the Education Authority with effect from 1 January 2021.

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## **Murphy welcomes the introduction of conversion legislation**

Finance Minister Conor Murphy has welcomed that same sex couples can now convert their civil partnership to marriage.

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## **Statement about the Domestic Abuse and Family Proceedings Bill – Long**

Justice Minister Naomi Long said: “I remain committed to delivering legal protections to those facing domestic abuse but today I was forced to defer the further consideration stage of the Domestic Abuse and Family Proceedings Bill because of potentially significant financial implications that became apparent during discussions between my officials and the Department of Finance, as a result of amendments brought forward by the Justice Committee.

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## **We must be ultra-vigilant over festive season – Health Minister**

Health Minister Robin Swann has warned that Northern Ireland is entering a new phase in the Covid-19 pandemic, with “hopes and fears” sitting side by side.