

[Minister suspends recovery of benefit overpayments and loans](#)

Communities Minister Deirdre Hargey has said that her Department will be pausing the recovery of benefit overpayments and loan repayments from a number of Social Security benefits for three months, in response to the COVID-19 outbreak.

[2020/2021 Agricultural Pay Rates](#)

The Agricultural Wages Board for Northern Ireland (AWB) has confirmed changes to pay for agricultural workers. At a meeting of the AWB on Friday 13 March 2020, the Board agreed the rates to become effective from 1 April 2020. The rates are:

[Executive publishes Coronavirus recovery strategy](#)

A phased five-stage plan for slowly moving out of lockdown has been published by the Executive today.

[Mallon to bring new legislation to the Assembly to encourage use of electric bikes](#)

Later today Infrastructure Minister Nichola Mallon will bring to the Assembly new electric bike legislation which if affirmed will allow their use on public roads without the need for registration or licensing.

Covid-19 press conference – 12 May 2020

Update on the Executive's Coronavirus recovery strategy. The First Minister Arlene Foster and deputy First Minister Michelle O'Neill discuss the five-stage plan for gradually emerging from lockdown.