<u>Time is right to start rebuilding the tourism industry, says Dodds</u>

Northern Ireland's tourism and hospitality sectors have a vital role to play in our economic recovery following the COVID-19 crisis.

<u>Minister publishes information on</u> <u>impact of COVID-19 on Universal Credit</u> Claims

Communities Minister Deirdre Hargey today published a range of Management Information highlighting the impact the Covid-19 crisis has had on the number of claims to Universal Credit.

<u>Dodds announces two skills initiatives</u> <u>in response to the pandemic</u>

Economy Minister Diane Dodds today announced a free skills programme for small businesses and a free post-graduate certificate in software development for people whose career has been impacted by Covid-19.

Food security during COVID-19

The security of our food supply lines during COVID-19 is a priority for the Executive and Agriculture Minister Edwin Poots MLA has put in place a series of actions to protect it.

Hargey working with retailers to ensure food gets to those in need

Communities Minister Deirdre Hargey MLA advised that her Department has been working with the big retailers to facilitate priority delivery slots for those who have been advised to shield by their GPs