<u>DOH Statement - RCN ballot</u> announcement

It is disappointing that a ballot has been announced. Health service staffing vacancies are an issue across these islands, and industrial action will do nothing to resolve workforce challenges and can only penalise patients at a particularly difficult and uncertain time.

Noise complaint statistics for Northern Ireland 2017-2018

Noise complaints received by district councils between 1 April 2017 and 31 March 2018 have fallen by 3% according to a report published today by the Department of Agriculture Environment and Rural Affairs (DAERA).

The first Northern Ireland Planning Monitoring Framework 2018/19 has been published today

Planning statistics from the Northern Ireland Planning Monitoring Framework for 2018/19 are now available.

European Social Fund and Regional
Development Fund projects have
transformed the lives of thousands

across Northern Ireland

Projects funded by the Northern Ireland European Social Fund (ESF) have equipped 77,000 people with the skills and experience to thrive in the workplace and in wider society, while those supported by the European Regional Development Fund (ERDF) have boosted the local economy by increasing employment and productivity.

Report published on impact of sex purchase offence

The Department of Justice today laid in the Assembly a report of an independent review into the operation of the offence of purchasing sexual services.