Publication of the Quarterly Northern Ireland Waiting Times Statistics — Position at 31st March 2019

The Department of Health today published the quarterly Northern Ireland Waiting Times Statistics, relating to the position at 31st March 2019 for Outpatients and Diagnostic Testing.

<u>Department of Health statement on</u> <u>latest waiting time statistics</u>

The Department has repeatedly made clear that sustained investment is required to address the waiting list backlog.

Northern Ireland's top environmental concerns revealed

Head of DAERA's Environment, Marine and Fisheries Group, David Small, has welcomed the latest environmental statistics which show Northern Ireland's household recycling rate has increased to over 48%, whilst landfill rates are the lowest ever recorded.

Inflationary planning fee increase

The Department for Infrastructure will apply an inflationary increase in planning fees of approximately 1.99%, across all planning application fee categories, from 17 June 2019.

Northern Ireland Environmental Statistics Report released

The Northern Ireland Environmental Statistics Report has been published today by the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs (DAERA).