

Minister welcomes significant uptake of Northern Ireland Childcare Subsidy Scheme

Education Minister, Paul Givan, has today welcomed that almost 10,000 children have been registered for his Department's new Northern Ireland Childcare Subsidy Scheme within just two weeks of it opening.

Green Party reaction to expansion of London City airport

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Reacting to news that the government has given the go-ahead for [the expansion of London City airport](#), deputy leader of the Green Party, Zack Polanski, said:

“This decision flies in the face of action to cut emissions. A government that fails to tackle emissions from transport fails to take serious climate action.

“Expanding London City airport puts the interests of a small wealthy elite over the wellbeing of local people and the climate. This airport operates low-efficiency planes on routes where rail is a feasible alternative.

“Prioritising clean, affordable train travel over polluting air travel is a no-brainer, but Labour have demonstrated they just don't get it.”

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Publication of ‘DVA Monthly Tests Conducted Statistics – July 2024’

The ‘DVA Monthly Tests Conducted Statistics – July 2024’ report, is now available.

NI Health and Social Care Workforce Census – March 2024

The Department of Health today released details of the NI Health and Social Care (HSC) Workforce Census as at 31st March 2024.

Caretaker role appointed for the Commissioner for Older People for Northern Ireland (COPNI)

First Minister Michelle O’Neill and deputy First Minister Emma Little-Pengelly today announced the appointment of the current Commissioner, Mr Eddie Lynch into a caretaker role in the office of Commissioner for Older People for Northern Ireland (COPNI), for a period of up to six months. The role was effective from 13 June 2024.