

0'Dowd announces £320,000 active travel scheme for Shore Road and Main Street, Toomebridge

Infrastructure Minister John O'Dowd has announced that work is to commence on a £320,000 shared footway/cycleway scheme on the Shore Road/Main Street, Toomebridge.

Murphy and Coveney meet to discuss new trading opportunities

Economy Minister Conor Murphy today met with Minister of Enterprise, Trade and Employment Simon Coveney TD at InterTradeIreland's office in Newry.

Statement by Health Minister Robin Swann on NI Children's Hospice

I recognise and applaud the vital work of the NI Children's Hospice and all hospices in Northern Ireland.

Long welcomes pilot scheme for filming in courts

Justice Minister, Naomi Long has welcomed a pilot scheme to film the delivery of judgments in the Court of Appeal in Northern Ireland.

Shahrar Ali case response



Green Party

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The Chair of the Green Party executive, Jon Nott, said:

“We are pleased that the court has recognised that a democratic political party has the right to select those who speak for it on the basis that they can and will communicate and support party policy publicly.

“We welcome the findings in the judgment that members of political parties have ‘fundamental party rights’ which include the right to disagree, to advocate for and against policies and positions adopted or proposed in the party, and to organise for those who agree with them and against those who do not, and that the Equality Act is not intended to interfere with those rights.

“The party acknowledges that there were procedural shortfalls in how we deselected one of our spokespeople. We apologise for failing in this instance to live up to the standards that both we and the court expect.”

NOTES TO EDITORS

You may wish to refer to this article written by lawyers in the case on the wider issues involved.

<https://bateswells.co.uk/updates/discrimination-belief-and-the-fundamental-party-rights-the-judgment-in-ali-v-green-party-of-england-and-wales/>

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