

Northern Ireland Assembly News – July 2021

Summer Recess

The Assembly is now on Summer Recess from 10 July 2021 to 5 September 2021 (8 weeks). During recess, there are normally no meetings in the Chamber and no committee meetings. MLAs are usually in their constituencies where they continue to work on your behalf. MLAs also continue to submit motions and [written questions](#).

Executive Committee Business

[Climate Change \(No. 2\) Bill: First Stage](#) – The DAERA Minister introduced the Climate Change (No. 2) Bill, which is a Bill to set targets for the years 2050, 2040 and 2030 for the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions; to provide for a system of carbon budgeting; to provide for reporting and statements against those targets and budgets; to confer power to impose climate change reporting duties on public bodies; to provide for reports and advice from the Committee on Climate Change; and for connected purposes.

Private Members' Business

[Small Scale Green Energy Bill: First Stage](#) - John O'Dowd MLA introduced the Small Scale Green Energy Bill to make provision for the establishment of a scheme to promote the microgeneration of renewable electricity; and for connected purposes.

Answers to Written Questions

First Minister and deputy First Minister

[Update - Civic Engagement Forums, as agreed in New Decade, New Approach](#)

Minister of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs

[Research to Reduce Emissions from Livestock](#)

[Clean Air Strategy for Northern Ireland](#)

[Promotion of Environmentally Friendly Farming](#)

[Eradication of Japanese Knotweed](#)

[Update - Great Ulster Forest Project](#)

[Update - Common Frameworks and Engagement](#)

[Introduction of a Dilapidation Bill](#)

[Departmental preparation for enactment of Environment Bill](#)

[Bee Importation and Health Certification](#)

Minister for Infrastructure

[Addressing Giant Hogweed Along River Banks](#)

[Percentage of Capital Budget Allocated for Cycle Lanes in this Financial Year](#)

[Update – NIW Target – 100% Electricity Consumption from Renewable Sources by 2027](#)

[Update on Plans for an Infrastructure Commission](#)

Assembly Committee Meetings July 2021

COMMITTEE	DATE	AGENDA
AERA	8 July Watch Again	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Committee considered a number of Departmental briefings on statutory rules as well as a Written Briefing on Common Frameworks
	1 July Watch Again	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Briefing: Climate Change Bill from the UFU, Professor Peter Thorne, Dr Andrew Jackson