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North of Tyne Devolution Deal

MHCLG have recently informed me that it is hoped that the Order that will establish the North of Tyne Mayoral Combined Authority will be laid before Parliament on 24 July, however this is very much subject to various parliamentary procedures.

In practical terms, these means the new authority will not be formally in existence before the autumn.

The Great British High Street

Communities across the UK are being urged by MHCLG to back their local high streets by entering them into the Great British High Street Awards 2018. More details are at

<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/launch-of-great-british-high-street-competition-2018>

Healthwatch Northumberland Annual Report 2018

Their annual report is available at the link below. Councils may find it of interest, particular if your community has issues with NHS provision.

[https://gallery.mailchimp.com/5060a2022e1081d67bbdd9b3a/files/a2c50947-cb06-4f55-9aaf-5d90389bbe02/Healthwatch Northumberland Annual Report SML .pdf](https://gallery.mailchimp.com/5060a2022e1081d67bbdd9b3a/files/a2c50947-cb06-4f55-9aaf-5d90389bbe02/Healthwatch%20Northumberland%20Annual%20Report%20SML.pdf)

New Forms

The Planning Inspectorate have updated the application form for seeking consent for works on Common Land. Please see

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/application-form-for-consent-to-construct-works-on-common-land>

The Forestry Commission have updated their guidance for seeking a felling licence. Please see the link for more information and especially when a licence is needed.

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/tree-felling-overview>

Churchyard Memorials

These can be contentious and the link is to an article which burial authorities may find of interest. Although it relates to the special rules for a Church of England burial ground, the issues may well be the same in local

authority burial grounds.

<http://www.lawandreligionuk.com/2018/07/11/churchyard-memorials-which-cause-affront-and-offence/>

SUDS - what does it mean

The Environment Agency has issued a short YouTube explanation available at

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bs7CaA6AXE8&index=6&list=PLfQeDt_9dLX0rqRp75hG8HTQWpyPVdeVz

List of Government Websites

Even search engines can struggle with finding the correct website. The UK Govt. issues a quarterly list of all their websites which I recently came across.

The 294 central government sites are listed via

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/open-central-government-websites-june-2018>



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