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Northumberland Association of Local Councils

NALC Enews 28 August 2019 (General Issues)

There are two editions this week. This one concentrates on a range of issues and the second will concentrate on planning matters.

Emails to Member Councils

The Chairmen and Clerks of Member Councils have been sent the following email since the previous Enews

- Update for Member Councils - 1 August 2019 - this include details of the new national model financial regulations, an article featuring Blyth's Mayor and a link to the ombudsman's annual review and interactive map.

If your Council has not received a copy, please let me know.

Training

The following events are scheduled over the next few weeks. Please use the appropriate link for more information and booking.

VAT

We are concerned that the VAT course on 26 September 2019 has a low number of bookings at present. This is an area where it is only too easy for a Local Council to incur penalties from HMRC. An example from outside are area is described in the Public Interest Report at this link

<http://www.localaudits.co.uk/reports/EssingtonParishCouncil-PIR29January2019.pdf>

Details of the VAT course are at

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/introduction-to-vat-for-local-councils-tickets-61630468390>

Other Courses

Briefing/Introduction for new Councillors - Central Northumberland

Pegswood Community Hub | Longhirst Rd | Pegswood NE61 6XF |
United Kingdom

Saturday, 5 October 2019 from 10:00 to 12:00 (BST)

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/briefingintroduction-for-new-councillors-central-northumberland-tickets-50123078477>

Briefing/Introduction for new Councillors - West Northumberland

Tynedale Cricket Club | Priors Flat | Eilansgate | Hexham NE46 3EW |
United Kingdom

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/briefingintroduction-for-new-councillors-west-northumberland-tickets-56897615299>

[Briefing/Introduction for new Councillors - North Northumberland](#)

The Glendale Gateway Trust | 12 Padgepool PI | Wooler NE71 6BL |
United Kingdom

Monday, 14 October 2019 from 19:00 to 21:00 (BST)

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/briefingintroduction-for-new-councillors-north-northumberland-tickets-56897761737>

The County Council's Town & Parish Council Conference 3 October 2019

All Northumberland's Local Councils have been sent an email with details and how to book. Please let Iain Hedley at the County Council know if your Council has not received a copy. His email is iain.hedley@northumberland.gov.uk

Future High Streets Fund

It was pleasing to see that one of our communities, Blyth, have been included in the latest tranche of funding. For details please see <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/1-billion-future-high-streets-fund-expanded-to-50-more-areas>

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5G Masts

On 27 August, MHCLG commenced a consultation on whether the height of masts should be increased. The consultation paper is at the

Subscribe	Past Issues	link below and we anticipate further details coming out to Member Councils in the next few weeks. The consultation closes on 4 November 2019.	Tr:
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<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/proposed-reforms-to-permitted-development-rights-to-support-the-deployment-of-5g-and-extend-mobile-coverage>



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