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**NALC Enews
1 June 2022**

**Please forward to all Councillors and
Staff**

Her Majesty The Queen's Platinum Jubilee

The Association offers our heartfelt good wishes to Her Majesty on the occasion of the Seventieth Anniversary of Her Accession to the Throne.

We hope that all the Jubilee Celebrations in our area are enjoyed in celebrating a truly outstanding Reign.

The Royal Garden Parties resumed this year and the association was pleased to renominate Graham Pyle, the former Chairman of Heddon-on-the-Wall Parish Council. He had been nominated to attend one in 2020 which was then canceled because of the pandemic. Mr Pyle has kindly shared his photographs of a memorable day which are in an email at

https://mcusercontent.com/5060a2022e1081d67bbdd9b3a/files/d7c363d3-d494-7065-c42a-030c6aa5e3ae/Royal_Garden_Party_2022.pdf

Emails to Member Councils

The Chairman and Clerks of Member Councils were been sent the following email since the last issue of the Enews.

27 May 2022 containing the following items.

- Pay Award for 2022/2023
- Sector Finance Survey 2022
- Legal Update - April 2022
- Reports and other items of possible interest

Briefings

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

General Introduction to Parish, Town and Community Councils

Tue 7 June 2022 1900

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/general-introduction-to-parish-town-and-community-councils-tickets-305416116827>

Finance for Parish Town and Community Councils

Wed 15 June 2022 1900

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/finance-for-parish-town-and-community-councils-tickets-305418794837>

Public Rights of Way

Mon 11 July 2022 1900

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/public-rights-of-way-tickets-305421753687>

Climate Change

A workshop for Parish, Town & Community Councils

We have arranged a digital workshop with the County Council on Tuesday 26 July 2022 at 7.00 pm.

Please book a place via this link

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/workshop-climate-change-and-parish-town-and-community-councils-tickets-305427119737>

Changes of Chairmen

If there has been a change of Chairman, Chair or Mayor at your annual parish council meeting, please let us have their details and email address so we can ensure they receive a copies of the Enews and Member Council Updates.

An email to info@northumberlandalc.uk would be ideal.

Many thanks.

Vacancies for a Clerk

[Hexhamshire Parish Council](#)

Hexhamshire Parish Council are seeking a clerk. Details are available at

[https://mcusercontent.com/5060a2022e1081d67bbdd9b3a/files/f18915d9-b232-9e98-1ecb-71ecdad009f3/Hexhamshire Clerk June 2022.pdf](https://mcusercontent.com/5060a2022e1081d67bbdd9b3a/files/f18915d9-b232-9e98-1ecb-71ecdad009f3/Hexhamshire_Clerk_June_2022.pdf)

Glanton Parish Council

Glanton Parish Council are seeking a clerk. Please contact Cllr Jon Radgick, the Chairman, for more information via email at jradgick@oldmotorhouse.co.uk

National Insurance Contributions

HMRC have written saying

On 23 March 2022 the UK Government announced that from 6 July 2022 National Insurance thresholds would be increased. To accommodate this change, payroll software, including HMRC's Basic PAYE Tools, will need to be updated. This may happen automatically, or you might need to take action.

It is important that payments due to be made on 6 July 2022 or later use the correct thresholds. Employers who run their payroll early should check that their software has been updated before processing and reporting these payments.

We expect that all software will be updated by 6 July 2022, so any payments processed after that date should not need to be delayed. If you are unsure about whether or not your software has been updated, please contact your software provider.

If you use Basic PAYE Tools, please note that this software will be updated to take account of National Insurance threshold increases from 4 July 2022. So please wait until after 4 July 2022 to run payroll for any payments made on or after 6 July 2022.

North of Tyne Combined Authority

The next Mayor's public question time is on Thursday 23 June 2022 starting at 6.30 pm. It is being held in a hybrid format and details are at the link below.

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/north-of-tyne-mayors-question-time-from-north-shields-tickets-346999975267>.

Chief Officer Retirement

Stephen Rickitt will be retiring as the Association's Chief Officer in the early autumn. We envisage that recruitment for his successor will commence within the next month or so. Details will appear in a future Enews.

Reports and other articles of possible interest

Planning with a social conscience

How is the Public Sector Equality Duty impacting planning policy? What is 'inclusive design'? Bob Pritchard explains

<https://www.localgovernmentlawyer.co.uk/planning/318-planning-features/50598-planning-with-a-social-conscience>

Levelling Up and Regeneration Bill: Changes to the Enforcement Regime

Tracy Lovejoy and Erica Snellgrove focus on the proposed changes in the Levelling Up and Regeneration Bill to the planning enforcement regime.

<https://www.localgovernmentlawyer.co.uk/planning/318-planning-features/50577-levelling-up-and-regeneration-bill-changes-to-the-enforcement-regime>

Hybrid Meetings

The County Councils Network has published a report evidencing why all

levels of English Local Government are seeking the power to hold hybrid meetings. The report is available via

[Moving permanently to a hybrid model of council meetings would improve the diversity of local councils, a new survey says - County Councils Network](#)



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