



## Northumberland Association of Local Councils

**NALC Enews  
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**Please forward to all Councillors  
and Staff**

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### **Northumberland Elections**

Dear Colleagues,

Our congratulations to all those who have been elected to the Parish, Town & Community Councils in Northumberland, and commiserations to those who were unsuccessful.

Even if you are no longer a parish, town or community councillor, please feel free to remain as a subscriber to the NALC ENews.

for their Chairmen please. We like to duplicate circulars to both the chairman and the clerk as this reduces the possibility of messages going astray. The best email to use for those details is [info@northumberlandalc.uk](mailto:info@northumberlandalc.uk)

A number of Local Council staff assisted with the elections and the Returning Officer has asked that I pass on the following message

[Thank you for the support in delivering Elections in Northumberland](#)

Local elections (County Council, Town and Parish) and elections for the Northumbria Police and Crime Commissioner along with the Hexham Planning Referendum took place last week in the county.

As the Returning Officer, and on behalf of Mark Crawford, Elections Team Manager and the Elections Team, I would like to sincerely thank all town and parish council staff who assisted with the delivery of the elections, they were well ran in a covid secure environment and we were most grateful for everyone's support.

Kelly Angus  
Returning Officer

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## Emails to Member Councils

The Chairmen and Clerks of Member Councils have been sent a series of Member Council Updates following the High Court's ruling about virtual meetings on 28 April. These were sent on 28 April, 4 May and 6 May 2021.

It was a developing scene and our Update of 6 May attempts to round-up the advice. It contained the following items.

- Face-to-Face or Digital Meetings
- The Annual Parish Council Meeting
- The Annual Parish Meeting

has changed, please let us know.

## Briefings

There are a number of briefing being held over the next few months. Please use the appropriate link for more information and booking.

### **General Introduction to Local Councils**

Wed, 26 May 2021 19:00

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/copy-of-general-introduction-to-local-councils-tickets-136595616165>

### **Copy of General Introduction to Local Councils**

Sat, 5 Jun 2021 09:30

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/copy-of-general-introduction-to-local-councils-tickets-136595915059>

### **Budgets, Precepts and Finance**

Tue, 22 Jun 2021 19:00

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/budgets-precepts-and-finance-tickets-136595204935>

### **Introduction to Planning**

Wed, 30 Jun 2021 19:00

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/introduction-to-planning-tickets-136596163803>

### **Being the Chairman of a Smaller Parish Council**

Mon, 5 Jul 2021 19:00

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/being-the-chairman-of-a-smaller-parish-council-tickets-136596372427>

### **Highways and Public Rights of Way**

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/highways-and-public-rights-of-way-tickets-136596593087>

## Vacancy for a Clerk

Duddo Parish Council has been dormant for some years but now has a full complement of Councillors and they are seeking a clerk.

Please contact their Chairman, Cllr Clare Dakin, for more details by email to [claredakin@aol.com](mailto:claredakin@aol.com)

Closing date is 28 May 2021.

## The National Star Council Awards

Entries close on 25 May 2021 and entries from Councils in the north of England are encouraged.

Full details are at <https://www.nalc.gov.uk/our-work/star-council-awards>

## Assisting those who are out of work

The Bridge Partnership are holding an on-line drop in session on 10 June 2021. Please see the link for more details.

[https://mcusercontent.com/5060a2022e1081d67bbdd9b3a/files/562145d3-fd48-36ae-19c6-e359dae259f1/Bridge\\_Drop\\_in.pdf](https://mcusercontent.com/5060a2022e1081d67bbdd9b3a/files/562145d3-fd48-36ae-19c6-e359dae259f1/Bridge_Drop_in.pdf)

## Exploitation in Northumberland

The NHCT and others are holding an on-line event to raise awareness of this issue.

It will be on 3 June 2021 starting at 2.00pm Details are at

[https://mcusercontent.com/5060a2022e1081d67bbdd9b3a/files/5401b129-d84c-f4dc-51ca-0cc7f68f4724/Exploitation\\_Event.pdf](https://mcusercontent.com/5060a2022e1081d67bbdd9b3a/files/5401b129-d84c-f4dc-51ca-0cc7f68f4724/Exploitation_Event.pdf)

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