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Northumberland Association of Local Councils

**NALC Enews
27 August 2020
Please forward to all Councillors
and Staff**

Emails to Member Councils

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

27 August 2020 containing

- The Planning White Paper
- Disposable Facemasks
- Dualling the A1

If your Council has not received a copy, or if your Chairman or Clerk has changed, please let me know.

Remote Meetings

The national NALC are working with the LGA on the potential for the option for digital meetings to continue beyond May 2021.

The LGA have posted a short survey for completion by 4 September

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/M5KQYL8>

Community Business

The national NALC's CX has written to say:

I'm pleased with the news NALC has partnered with the Plunkett Foundation and Power to Change to release a new guide on community business, later this year.

The Good Councillor's guide to community business will aim to help local (parish and town) councils better understand the principles of what a community business is, their benefits and help consider whether it would be beneficial for their area.

As part of the guide, stories and experiences will be essential. We're calling for anyone involved previously with a local council, community business collaboration, or partnered project to share their knowledge and get in touch at alison.macklin@plunkett.co.uk. You could feature as a case study too!

The Police and Crime Commissioner

Her latest newsletter is at

<https://indd.adobe.com/view/cfcf0556-e6e4-4e34-be8a-d25bc463d898>

Broadband Boost

The County Council's site has details of the government's Broadband Upgrade Fund campaign has launched in Northumberland to help businesses, employees and countryside communities take advantage of all the benefits associated with faster and more reliable internet connections.

Registration closes on 30 September 2020.

More details are at

<https://www.northumberland.gov.uk/News/2020/Aug/Rural-communities-to-get-broadband-boost-to-improv.aspx>

Standards

More details are at

<https://www.localgovernmentlawyer.co.uk/governance/396-governance-news/44634-llg-calls-for-introduction-of-effective-sanctions-in-consultation-response-on-llg-draft-model-code-of-conduct>

Rebuilding Communities

The national NALC are adding more digital events and full details are at

<https://www.nalc.gov.uk/rebuildingcommunities>

Feedback would be most welcome please.

The World of Local Govt.

Bevan Brittan are a legal firm used by a number of upper tier Councils. Their August Insight is a good round-up of current issues for those interested.

<https://www.bevanbrittan.com/insights/articles/2020/local-authority-view-august>



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