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## Northumberland Association of Local Councils

**NALC Enews  
7 July 2021**

**Please forward to all Councillors  
and Staff**

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### **Briefings**

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

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

Mon, 19 Jul 2021 19:00

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

**General Introduction to Local Councils** (this is a repeat of the previous briefings)

Wednesday 21 July 2021 at 7.00 pm

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/general-introduction-to-local-councils-tickets-159592171481>

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A programme for the autumn is being prepared and will be in an Enews later this month.

## Coronavirus

The national NALC will be updating the details on their website once the Govt. has published its revised guidance. Media reports indicate that decisions about the details of lifting of restrictions are still to be made by Govt.

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

## The County Council's Town & Parish Liaison Working Group

Members of the County Committee attended this on 24 June 2021. The official notes will be published in due course but the link is to an informal note.

[https://mcusercontent.com/5060a2022e1081d67bbdd9b3a/files/bd43999c-216b-4650-546b-2e8ae7aaf7e1/NCC\\_TPLWG\\_24\\_June\\_2021.pdf](https://mcusercontent.com/5060a2022e1081d67bbdd9b3a/files/bd43999c-216b-4650-546b-2e8ae7aaf7e1/NCC_TPLWG_24_June_2021.pdf)

Items discussed included

- Covid
- Local Services
- Climate Change

- The Charter between the County Council and our sector
- A Who's Who of County Council officers

## Parish Councillors' Guide to Rural Affordable Housing

The Rural Housing Alliance have just published an updated version of their guide at

<https://ruralhousingalliance.net/wp-content/uploads/2021/07/parish-councillors-guide-to-rural-affordable-housing.pdf>

## Vacancy for a Clerk

Kielder Parish Council are seeking a clerk. For details please email [kielderpc@gmail.com](mailto:kielderpc@gmail.com)

## The All Party Parliamentary Group on Local Democracy

At its AGM last month, the All Party Parliamentary Group (APPG) on Local Democracy said they wanted to hear from local (parish and town) councils on levelling up so they could champion them in Parliament.

Accordingly, the group will be holding an online roundtable on Monday 12 July at 11:10am for local councils to share with the APPG their understanding of levelling up, what the role of local councils should be and what support is required, and how the government's Levelling Up White Paper, due later in the year, can address this.

If interested in attending please contact Jessica at the national NALC via [Jessica.Lancod-frost@nalc.gov.uk](mailto:Jessica.Lancod-frost@nalc.gov.uk)

## Temporary "Pop-Up" Campsites

MHCLG have urged Councils in England to support businesses to set-up temporary 'pop-up' campsites without the need to apply for

Details are at

<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/red-tape-cut-to-allow-campsites-to-remain-open-all-summer>

## Reports and other articles of possible interest

The Secretary of State recently spoke at the LGA Conference. The speech is at the link and includes items on

- Levelling up/regeneration
- High Streets
- The forthcoming planning reforms
- Net Zero

<https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/local-government-association-annual-conference-2021-secretary-of-states-speech>

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The national NALC's Legal Dept. has issued their July update which is available at

[https://mcusercontent.com/5060a2022e1081d67bbdd9b3a/files/f8fd5ee7-516c-f62f-e3d1-1fec06df2c27/National\\_Legal\\_Update\\_July\\_2021.pdf](https://mcusercontent.com/5060a2022e1081d67bbdd9b3a/files/f8fd5ee7-516c-f62f-e3d1-1fec06df2c27/National_Legal_Update_July_2021.pdf)

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The Police & Crime Commissioner's latest newsletter is at

<https://northumbria-pcc.gov.uk/v3/wp-content/uploads/2021/06/OPCC-June-Newsletter.pdf>

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Traffic Management and Clean Air Zones

<https://www.localgovernmentlawyer.co.uk/sharpeedge/813->

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### Tree Safety Management

<https://www.localgovernmentlawyer.co.uk/property/313-property-features/47457-tree-safety-management-and-a-landowner-s-duty-of-care>

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### E-Scooter Trials

<https://www.localgovernmentlawyer.co.uk/transport-and-highways/387-transport-and-highways-features/47463-e-scooters-in-the-uk-public-transport-mix>



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