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### **Vacancy for a Clerk**

Blanchland Parish Council are seeking a clerk to start 1st April 2018 please.

For details please contact Alice Ellison, 2 The Square, Blanchland, Consett, Co Durham, DH8 9SR or by phone 01434675450.

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## **North of Tyne Devolution**

Please see the document at the link regarding the current consultation with details of public meetings.

[https://gallery.mailchimp.com/5060a2022e1081d67bbdd9b3a/files/95f21cea-4fbe-4206-902a-06715d990d2a/NoT\\_Devo\\_Consultation.pdf](https://gallery.mailchimp.com/5060a2022e1081d67bbdd9b3a/files/95f21cea-4fbe-4206-902a-06715d990d2a/NoT_Devo_Consultation.pdf)

## **Flood Friday**

The link is to the first of a number of short films about flood resilience.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/communities-urged-to-log-on-for-new-flood-films>

## **The New Ministry - MHCLG**

There's a new set of initials for us to get used to. As part of the recent Govt. reshuffle, the DCLG has become the MHCLG.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/government-renews-focus-on-housing-with-ministry-of-housing-communities-and-local-government>

## **Planning Training in Northumberland**

All Local Councils in Northumberland should have received details of planning training being offered later this month and in February.

I have been informed that the sessions will be a general planning update along with material planning issues and how we deal with comments from Town and Parish Councils.

Their AONB and ecology officer will also give an update.

## **Neighbourhood Plans**

There have been a recent judgment from the Planning Court on aspects of Neighbourhood Plans. It's lengthy and I hope summaries will be produced. On a very first glance, the case is an unsuccessful challenges to the Written Ministerial Statement regarding 5-year housing supplies.

The full decision is

at <http://www.bailii.org/ew/cases/EWHC/Admin/2018/33.html>



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