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<https://northumberlandalc.uk/councils>

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Transparency Drop-In

Officers from the national NALC are visiting our area on Wednesday 15 November 2015 for a drop-in event to assist compliance with the Transparency Code for Councils with a turnover below £25,000. This is for Councillors and Clerks.

The event is in Berwick-upon-Tweed and is free. In order to help with planning teas and coffees, please use the Eventbrite link below.

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/transparency-drop-in-tickets-38834596323>

If the event is a success, then I will run similar events in other parts of our area.

Northumberland National Park Authority is consulting on a Local Plan Policy Options Paper from Monday 16th October 2017 until Monday 11th December 2017.

This consultation follows on from the Issues Paper consultation earlier this year where we sought your views on the key issues that your thought should be addressed in the new Local Plan. We have now prepared a series of potential policy options based on the issues identified. We would like to know your thoughts on which of these you would, or would not, like to see taken forward into future planning policies. Perhaps you would like to suggest alternative options of your own to be considered."

Details are at

<https://www.northumberlandnationalpark.org.uk/planning/planning-policy/local-plan/local-plan-consultation/>

Planning Issues

The Local Government Lawyer has two articles on planning issues

Phillip Hopkins examines some conundrums created by the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 in relation to planning applications, enforcement notices and certificates of lawfulness of existing use or development.

http://localgovernmentlawyer.co.uk/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=32803%3Aplanning-applications-enforcement-notices-and-certificates-of-lawfulness&catid=63&Itemid=31

Planning Court judge has recently handed down an important ruling on Grampian conditions. Dalee Kaur and Rachel Holt analyse the outcome.

http://localgovernmentlawyer.co.uk/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=32809%3APlanning-court-on-grampian-conditions&catid=63&Itemid=31

Community Transport

The House of Commons Transport Committee is launching a new inquiry into the licensing arrangements for community transport minibuses and the broader sustainability of the community transport sector, which provides essential access to transport to many vulnerable and potentially isolated people.

Details are at

<http://www.parliament.uk/business/committees/committees-a-z/commons-select/transport-committee/news-parliament-2017/community-transport-launch-17-19/>

Localism

Think tank has produced a collection of essays which may be of interest. The foreword is by Sajid Javid MP, the DCLG Secretary of State.

[http://www.localis.org.uk/wp-](http://www.localis.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2017/10/011_Localis_NeolocalismEssayCollection_AWK_WEB_REV_FINAL.pdf)

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