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Emails to Member Councils

The Chairmen and Clerks of Member Councils have been sent the following emails.

- Loneliness / Borderlands / Employment Hub - 18 June 2019

If your Council has not received a copy, please let me know.

NB: If the Chair of your Council has changed, please let me know.

Training

The Finance Training in Wooler on Thursday 27 June 2019 is currently undersubscribed and it may have to be cancelled. If you would like to attend, please book by Friday 21 June.

The link to book is

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/finance-north-northumberland-tickets-56895428759>

VAT and Parish Councils

I saw a Public Interest Report on the SAAA website which reveals the problems one parish council are facing due to VAT issues. It is worth a read as it does illustrate the problems for the unwary Council. The report is

at <http://www.localaudits.co.uk/reports/EssingtonParishCouncil-PIR29January2019.pdf>

This does, of course, provide me with the opportunity to provide the link to our VAT Training on 26

September <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/introduction-to-vat-for-local-councils-tickets-61630468390>

Planning in Scotland

Many Member Councils may well be affected by developments in Scotland. There is a recent letter from the Scottish Government's Chief Planner available at <https://www.gov.scot/publications/update-on-current-workstreams-chief-planner-letter-june-2019/>

It is a useful summary of current planning policy issues.

New Road Sign

The Dept. for Transport have approved a new road sign designed to warn of hazards caused by animals in the road. As the DfT says

" The small wildlife sign complements other warning signs already used on UK roads, filling a gap between warnings about smaller animals such as migratory toads and wildfowl, and large animals such as deer and livestock."

Details are at

<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/new-road-sign-to-improve-road-safety-and-protect-animals>



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