



A weekly round up of local government news in the East Midlands brought to you by East Midlands Councils

Top items this week

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Local Government Pay Agreement 2024



Powering up rail electrification could create 4,300 East Midlands jobs



Midlands Connect celebrates 10th Anniversary



EMC Employment Law Update with Darren Newman

LOCAL GOVERNMENT PAY AGREEMENT 2024

Agreement has now been reached on the 2024 pay awards for local government services ('Green Book') employees and local authority Chief Executives. Both agreements cover the period 1 April 2024 to 31 March 2025.

The award increased salaries of "Green Book" employees by £1,290 per annum, or by 2.5% for those paid above the national pay spine.

For Chief Executives, the individual basic salaries of all officers should be increased by 2.50%.

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POWERING UP RAIL ELECTRIFICATION COULD CREATE

4,300 EAST MIDLANDS JOBS

Ahead of the 30 October Budget, Transport for East Midlands (TfEM) has revealed analysis showing that alongside the transport and environmental benefits, electrification of the midland mainline from South Wigston up to Sheffield could create 4,300 new jobs, including skilled occupations, and more than 100 apprenticeships.

The analysis also shows that over the remaining course of the project, electrification of the Midland Mainline could generate an additional £61m in economic value from jobs created in the East Midlands, and nearly £18m in social value benefit.

Sir Peter Soulsby, Chair of TfEM, has been joined by East Midlands Combined County Authority Mayor Claire Ward, James Naish MP for Rushcliffe and Catherine Atkinson MP for Derby North to urge the government to power up plans to electrify more sections of the Midland Mainline railway.

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MIDLANDS CONNECT CELEBRATES 10TH ANNIVERSARY

This week marks 10 years since the sub-national transport body was formed with the assistance of EMC's Director of Policy and Infrastructure, Andrew Pritchard.

Andrew joined Midlands Connect's CEO Maria Machancoses earlier this week on a special anniversary edition of The Engine Room podcast.

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SPEECH AT LGA CONFERENCE BY DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER

The Rt Hon Angela Raynor MP gave a speech yesterday at the LGA Conference in Harrogate. The whole transcript can be found below.

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ENABLING REMOTE ATTENDANCE AND PROXY VOTING AT LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETINGS

MHCLG have recently published a consultation which seeks views on introducing remote attendance and proxy voting in local authority meetings in England. The consultation closes on 19th December 2024. The full consultation can be found below.

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EMC EMPLOYMENT LAW UPDATE WITH DARREN NEWMAN

THURSDAY 7 NOVEMBER 2024

10AM - 12.15PM—VIA MS TEAMS

Back by popular demand, EMC are holding an Employment Law Update facilitated by Darren Newman. With employment law changes coming in and an Employment Rights Bill expected soon, the update will be particularly useful and timely.

Discounts are available for multiple bookings and the closing date to book is 1st Nov 2024.

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EQUALITY LEADERSHIP AND COACHING TRAINING DISCOUNTED FOR EMC AUTHORITIES

East Midlands Councils continues to work with Challenge Consulting to provide a quality learning and development offer for EMC members to attend at discounted rates only when booking through ourselves

Below is just a snapshot of the support available:

ILM7 in Leadership & Management

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ILM2 Award in Customer Care

Full information on the content, dates, venue and booking process can be found on our website.

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