

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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EU Exit Funding for Local Government



Local Election Results across the East Midlands



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EMC Events for Councillors and Officers

Local Election Update

Local elections were held across 34 councils in the East Midlands yesterday. The results at the time of publishing the Policy Brief are;

Amber Valley - LAB GAIN FROM CON (Lab 26, Con 18, Green 1)

Bassetlaw - LAB HOLD (Lab 37, Con 5, Independent 5, Lib Dem 1)

Ashfield - IND GAIN FROM NOC (Independents 30, Con 3, Lab 2, Lib Dem 0)

Blaby - CON HOLD (Con 25, Lab 6, Lib 6, Green 1, Independent 1)

Bolsover - LAB LOSE TO NOC (Lab 18, Independents 16, Con 2, Lib Dem 1)

Boston - CON HOLD (Con 16, Independents 11, Lab 2, UKIP 1)

Broxtowe - CON LOSE TO NOC (Con 20, Lab 14, Lib Dem 5, Independents 3)

Charnwood - CON HOLD

Derby - NOC NO CHANGE (Con 20, Lab 16, Lib Dem 7, UKIP 5, Independents 3)

Derbyshire Dales - CON HOLD (Con 20, Lib Dem 8, Lab 6, Independents 3, Green 2)

Erewash - CON HOLD (Con 27, Lab 19, Lib Dem 1)

Gedling - LAB HOLD (Lab 23, Con 7, Labour and Co-Operative Party 4, Lib Dem 2, Independent 2)

High Peak - LAB GAIN FROM CON (Lab 22, Con 16, Lib Dem 3, Green 2)

Hinckley and Bosworth - LD GAIN FROM CON (Lib Dem 21, Con 11, Lab 2)

Leicester - LAB HOLD - Sir Peter Soulsby was elected as City Mayor.

Lincoln - LAB HOLD (Lab 24, Con 9)

Melton - CON HOLD (Con 22, Independent 5, Green 1)

Newark and Sherwood - CON HOLD (Con 27, Lab 7, Independent 3, Lib Dem 2)

North East Derbyshire - CON GAIN FROM LAB (Con 30, Lab 18, Lib Dem 3, Independent 2)

North Kesteven - CON LOSE TO NOC (Independent 22, Con 20)

North West Leicestershire - CON HOLD (Con 20, Lab 10, Lib Dem 4, Independents 3, Green 1)

Nottingham - LAB HOLD (Lab 50, Independents 3, Con 2)

Rushcliffe - CON HOLD (Con 29, Lab 7, Independent 3, Lib Dem 3, Green 2)

South Holland - CON HOLD (Con 24, Independent 13, UKIP 0)

South Kesteven - CON HOLD (Con 40, Independents 11, Lab 3, Lib Dem 1, Liberal Party 1, UKIP 0)

West Lindsey - CON HOLD (Con 19, Lib Dem 12, Independents 5, Lab 0)

Councils below have yet to declare at time of publishing the EMC Policy Brief, information to follow next week:-

Chesterfield, East Lindsey, Harborough, Mansfield, Oadby and Wigston, Rutland and South Derbyshire

EMC News

EMC Councillor Events

Councillor Induction Programme 2019/20 - East Midlands Councils (EMC) provides a comprehensive, value for money Councillor Development programme for member councils in the East Midlands [full details [here](#)].

East Midlands Coaching Network, Champions Meeting - This week Coaching Champions from across local authority members of the East Midland Coaching Network met virtually to discuss and share coaching strategies and support for coaches. For more information on the East Midlands Coaching Network contact kirsty.lowe@emcouncils.gov.uk.

Local Resilience Forum - This week EMC colleagues spoke at one of the Local Resilience Forum meetings on the East Midlands Cyber Security Network (known as the EMGWARP). For more information on the EMGWARP contact kirsty.lowe@emcouncils.gov.uk.

Local Government News



Second Payment of EU Exit Funding for Local Government - Earlier this year the Secretary of State announced a funding package of £58m to support local authorities in their preparations for the UK leaving the EU. This included an allocation of £40m to be distributed between all local authorities in England, split across 2018/19 and 2019/20. The first payment was made in the week commencing 4th March 2019 in respect of the 2018-19 financial year.

The Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government has written to local authorities to regarding the second and final payment in respect of the 2019-20 financial year will be made in the week commencing 29th April 2019.

A breakdown of the funding over the two years and of the individual allocations to local authorities is set out in Annex A (please see attached [here](#)).

The funding is being paid to councils under Section 31 of the Local Government Act 2003. Whilst this funding is not ring-fenced, our expectation is that the funding will be used to enhance capacity and capability within local authorities in making preparations for exiting the European Union.

	2018/19 (£)	2019/20 (£)	Total £
<i>District councils</i>	17,484	17,484	34,968
<i>County councils</i>	87,500	87,500	175,000
<i>Unitary authorities*</i>	104,984	104,984	209,968

The Home Office has published a toolkit to help local authorities and community groups to support EU citizens and their families to apply to the EU Settlement Scheme - The updated materials available include [the full toolkit is available [here](#)]:

- **Toolkit introduction** – specific information aimed at local authorities, outlining how you can use the toolkit to help you communicate information about the EU Settlement Scheme with European citizens.
- **Briefing pack** – provides you with key information about the EU Settlement Scheme and can be used for presentations, at face-to-face events or webinars with EU citizens.
- **Leaflets, factsheets and application flowcharts** – materials for EEA and Swiss citizens, focusing on eligibility requirements, how to apply and the support services available.
- **Posters** – provides key information on timelines and why EU citizens need to apply.
- **Z-card handout** – details about the Scheme in a handy format for European citizens.

Business Continuity Awareness Week - 13 May 2019 is Business Continuity Awareness Week. The Business Continuity Institute (BCI) will be hosting various webinars (including some focused on cyber resilience as well as other topics around BC) and offering other free resources [here](#).

The East Midlands Business Continuity Institute Forum will also be hosting a forum day that week on the 15th May in Nottingham focused on cyber, details [here](#).

Peers with emergency planning and civil resilience experience - The LGA is currently seeking officers with experience of emergency planning and civil resilience to be part of an exciting new programme of peer challenge. They are particularly seeking Chief Executives and senior officers who would be able to review and assess the preparedness, plans, capability and procedures of Local Councils and Local Resilience Forums and to provide advice and support on how best to improve. If you are interested please contact the LGA via the email address Peer.Application@local.gov.uk

New Youth Charter to support young people across the country - A new Youth Charter will be developed to set out a vision for young people over the next generation and beyond. It will be developed over the coming months, with Government working alongside youth sector organisations and young people. The charter will build on the existing support and range of innovative projects currently supporting young people across the country. This includes £90 million from dormant bank accounts that is being used to help some of the most disadvantaged young people into employment. Read the full announcement [here](#).

Homelessness

Brokenshire confirms over £25 million to help vulnerable rough sleepers - Thousands of vulnerable people sleeping rough will get specialist support to recover from life on the streets, thanks to a £25 million funding boost announced. The money, to be shared with 108 local authorities across the country, will be used to fund innovative local schemes aimed at supporting people off the streets and into stable accommodation where they can receive the tailored care they need [full details [here](#)].

This will include:

- 20 new “Somewhere Safe to Stay” rough sleeping centres – where people on the streets can access professional help and guidance, including immediate shelter and mental health support
- Over 130 navigator posts – specialist support workers who direct people to the services they need, such as counselling, housing advice, mental health support or substance misuse services
- 61 supported lettings schemes – helping people to secure tenancies in properties that they may not otherwise be able to access
- 30 dedicated local letting agencies – specialist agencies that support vulnerable people into affordable and stable accommodation

Employers’ Information



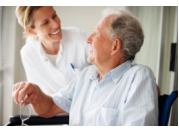
EMC HR Bulletin, April 2019 Edition - The latest edition of the EMC HR Bulletin is [here](#). This month covers:-

Exit Pay Cap Consultation – Links to the information recently circulated by EMC plus Employment Law expert Darren Newman’s article giving his perspective on the proposals.

Local News – Forthcoming learning and development events are featured, including our annual Regional Coaching Conference, a LEAN programme being offered again due to popular demand, and information on how you can problem-solve or support performance and productivity at individual, service and organisational level through the PACE model.

National Developments – These include strategic workforce information published today by the LGA, the results of the national pay spine survey, an overview of gender pay gap information for local government, a link to new guidance published by ACAS on neurodiversity.

Health & Social Care



‘Children’s services at breaking point, Government must back local authorities with funding that meets demand’ - Ahead of the 2019 Spending Review, the Housing, Communities and Local

Government Select Committee report calls for a funding settlement that reflects the challenges local authorities face in delivering children’s social care, and recommends a minimum increase to core grant funding of £3.1 billion up until 2025 [details [here](#)].

Public Health England Chief Executive Duncan Selbie's Friday message, 26 April 2019 - The latest newsletter which includes a national strategy and evidence review to reduce gambling harms [details [here](#)].

Better Care Fund: how it will work in 2019 to 2020 - The Better Care Fund (BCF) will provide financial support for councils and NHS organisations to jointly plan and deliver local services [details [here](#)].

EMC Events



Charting your course: How to define success and achieve it! 12 Jun 2019 - This workshop help delegates to explore what it meant to them to be successful; the psychology behind goal setting; how to set goals they could achieve and how to quieten negative thoughts [details [here](#)].

East Midlands Coaching Conference 2019, 26 Jun 2019 - The Conference includes a keynote for coaches who want to develop their knowledge of transformational change. In the workshop we will discuss how to work with clients who want to make changes but who experience obstacles to making the change. Mowbray [details [here](#)].

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