

Public matters - August 2020

This month includes the Environment Bill, procurement, Temporary Framework and state aid, departing from EU case law, trading company governance and the Planning White Paper consultation.

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Welcome to our Public Matters Newsletter.

This month we have:

[The Environment Bill - submission of evidence, can we help?](#)

Don't miss the opportunity to shape the future of this key piece of environmental legislation - if you are thinking of making a submission to the Committee, we can assist you.

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[Procurement law reforms](#)

We already know that there are key criticsers of the law, but whether or not we remain bound by the EU law will depend on the terms of the Brexit deal.

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[European Commission amends the Temporary Framework and prolongs existing state aid rules due to impact of Covid-19](#)

The latest amendment covering micro and small undertakings is a welcome development.

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[Departing from EU case law - our opinion](#)

Our response to the consultation on extending powers to depart from retained EU case law to additional lower courts and tribunals.

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[The Planning White Paper – what does it mean?](#)

What are the key changes and will it really lead to increased housing numbers?

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[Governance of wholly owned companies - where to start?](#)

When advising on and helping set up trading companies, it is governance that frequently causes a measure of uncertainty - there is no one size fits all solution.

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New Keeping Children Safe in Education statutory guidance comes into force

In this article Senior HR Consultant Gill Martindale outlines the key changes to the 2020 guidance and puts forward five actions that you should take to help keep your pupils safe.

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Staffing matters – the full opening of schools

September is going to be a time for creative thinking and flexibility for school and academy trust leaders and staff.

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Extreme urgency? The judicial spotlight is now trained on Regulation 32(2)(c)

The news that the Good Law Project has brought judicial review proceedings against the Department for Health and Social Care in respect of its direct award of a £108m contract for PPE raises a number of issues for contracting authorities.

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