

## Public matters - July 2020

This month focuses on the impact of Covid-19 and Brexit, as well as public to public cooperation, contracts, conservation, MSA and social care.

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Welcome to our Public Matters Newsletter.

This month we have:

### [Public to public cooperation revisited \(again\)](#)

The European Court of Justice looks again at the Hamburg Waste Principle by which public authorities may cooperate in delivery of services without setting up a separate body or running a tender exercise.

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### [Covid-19 and Brexit](#)

The economic turmoil caused by lockdown measures combined with uncertainty over Brexit has been said to create a 'perfect storm'.

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### [Restarting a project with a new contractor](#)

With an uncertain economic outlook in the post-Covid era, employers may face the prospect of having to appoint a new contractor. Public sector bodies can find restarting projects particularly challenging, so what should they consider?

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### [Conservation newsletter - July 2020](#)

There is a potential for significant change and public bodies are likely to be at the forefront of delivering that change.

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### [UK shared prosperity fund](#)

The UKSPF has been proposed to replace the EU ESI funding for less developed regions, however a number of issues require resolution before the fund can be set up.

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### [Modern Slavery Act 2015 - updated statutory guidance for public authorities in England and Wales](#)

Timely guidance given that modern slavery will not be exempt from the health, social and economic challenges brought about by Covid-19.

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#### Treasury consults on future lending terms of the Public Works Loan Board

This consultation has been prompted by the specific issue of 'debt for yield' to ensure that the PWLB can continue to support local authority investment.

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#### Covid-19 child protection practice - four months in - lessons learned so far

This University of Birmingham research briefing is relevant to local authorities and insurers because so many claims are based on alleged shortcomings in social work practice.

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#### On demand webinar: Covid-19 for local authorities, arms length bodies and government - 16 June 2020

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#### On demand webinar: Managing PFI assets and services as contracts end

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