

# Local Government Weekly Brexit Bulletin

## Tuesday 26 February 2019

Welcome to this week's Brexit bulletin – providing an update on recent developments and a look ahead at key parliamentary activity and upcoming events across the country.

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## Announcements and new guidance

- Last Wednesday, MHCLG's Secretary of State announced £3.14 million to be allocated to 19 authorities who need to prepare for the impact of Brexit because of ports in their area  
<https://www.parliament.uk/business/publications/written-questions-answers-statements/written-statement/Commons/2019-02-20/HCWS1346/>
- The Department for Exiting the European Union (DEXEU) released guidance on the Common Travel Area (CTA) arrangements  
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/common-travel-area-guidance>
- HM Revenue & Customs released a series of videos about trading with the EU if the UK leaves without a deal

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/help-and-support-for-traders-if-the-uk-leaves-the-eu-with-no-deal>

- The Department for Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy (BEIS) published two letters to the accounting and audit sectors if the UK leaves without a deal  
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/accounting-and-audit-if-theres-no-brexit-deal-letters-to-the-sector>
- The Department of Health & Social Care (DHSC) released guidance for the health and care sector about contingency plans for a no-deal Brexit  
<https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/planning-for-a-possible-no-deal-eu-exit-information-for-the-health-and-care-sector>
- DHSC Minister Stephen Hammond issued a statement on the continuity of medicines and medical products in the event of a no-deal Brexit  
<https://www.parliament.uk/business/publications/written-questions-answers-statements/written-statement/Commons/2019-02-25/HCWS1358/>
- The Foreign & Commonwealth Office (FCO) updated guidance on living in Spain and the double taxation agreement after Brexit  
<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/living-in-spain>

DEFRA released guidance on

- Importing animals, animal products and high-risk food and feed not of animal origin after EU Exit  
<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/importing-animals-animal->

[products-and-high-risk-food-and-feed-not-of-animal-origin-after-eu-exit](#)

- Exporting animals, animal products, fish and fishery products to the EU after EU Exit

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/exporting-animals-animal-products-fish-and-fishery-products-to-the-eu-after-eu-exit>

- The movement of horses and other equines in a no deal scenario

<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/new-guidance-on-the-movement-of-horses-and-other-equines-in-a-no-deal-scenario>

The Animal and Plant Health Agency released guidance on obtaining Export Health Certificates (EHCs) in a no-deal scenario

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/export-live-animals-special-rules>

The Border Delivery Group (BDG) issue a weekly bulletin to stakeholders providing an overview of the latest EU Exit information relating to UK borders from across government. If you would like to be added to the mailing list, please contact [secretariatmailbox.borderplanninggroup@hmrc.gov.uk](mailto:secretariatmailbox.borderplanninggroup@hmrc.gov.uk)

A consolidated list of guidance is also available:

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/local-government-brexits-preparedness>

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## **Update from the Local Government EU Exit Team**

- Yesterday we held a Data Protection Workshop in Westminster with support from the Department for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport (DCMS.)

- The next meeting of our EU Exit Delivery Board will take place today. This will be chaired by our Secretary of State and attended by key sector bodies and Ministers from across Government.

Places are still available for the thematic workshop for rural authorities on 4 March in Leeds Civic Hall. This event will be most relevant for Trading Standards Officers, Environmental Health Officers and local authority teams engaging with businesses. Tickets are free and available here:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/local-government-eu-exit-workshop-rural-authorities-tickets-56791874024>

The day will include sessions on:

- Animals and Animal Movements
- Access to labour
- Environmental protections
- Operating through change

Please cascade as appropriate within your organisation.

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## Parliamentary activity

- Last Wednesday the Prime Minister met with President Juncker of the European Commission to take stock of their efforts to deliver the UK's orderly withdrawal from the EU  
<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/joint-statement-on-behalf-of-prime-minister-may-and-president-juncker>

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## Upcoming Events

- Monday 4 March – Brexit and Rural Locations, Leeds Civic Hall from 10.00am – 4:30pm  
<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/local-government-eu-exit-workshop-rural-authorities-tickets-56791874024>
- Wednesday 13 March – EU Exit and Adult Social Care  
<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/local-government-eu-exit-workshop-adult-social-care-asc-tickets-54920988154>
- Friday 15 March – EU Exit and Trading Standards  
<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/local-government-eu-exit-workshop-trading-standards-tickets-57409725033>

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