



E-NEWS UPDATE...

PKF Littlejohn: AGAR 2019/20, Instructions and Covid-19 Implications

You should all be receiving your AGAR forms from PKF Littlejohn in next few days, however, they are also available on the LALC website, along with detailed information from the auditors regarding the implications Covid-19 is having and instructions for what you need to do. Please ensure you go to the LALC website and thoroughly read all the information provided.

<https://www.lalc.co.uk/uncategorized/pkf-littlejohn-19-20-documentation-including-agar-instructions-and-covid-19-implications/>

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Zoom Discount

We can now confirm that Zoom have released a discount code allowing 50% discount off subscription when signing up for 12 months. Zoom have released the discount code **2019SOUP** to get their annual subscription at £59.95 billed annually rather than £119.80! This takes away the requirement to purchase 10 licenses to get the previous discounted rate of £7.99 per month.

Go to www.zoom.us click on plans & pricing, select 'Pro' (£11.99 per month/host) – 'Buy Now' and enter the discount code **2019SOUP before you checkout** to receive 50% off

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Lincolnshire Councils Remote Meetings

Have you seen the video that Northants County Association have produced as an example of how a council meeting could run using Zoom? If not, check it out here...

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AN56Xe2Nt8I&feature=youtu.be> or follow the link via the LALC website.

We are interested to hear which Councils have already held remote meetings, which platform have used to host your meeting and what your experience has been so far. Please email your feedback to amy.bestwick@lalc.co.uk

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Financial Impact Survey – Deadline Extended – PLEASE respond!

NALC needs your help to gather evidence on the financial impact of the coronavirus on local councils.

This information is **vital** to our representation to the government on the loss of income to local councils during these difficult times, and the need for a tailored financial support package for the local council sector.

The short survey includes questions on precept, staffing and income so it would be helpful to have this data to hand when [completing the survey](#).

Please help us to help you by taking a few minutes to complete the survey as soon as possible or by **17:00 on 4 May at the latest**.

Local (parish and town) councils are ideally placed to inform and support residents as they already do in so many ways — from assisting during flooding and other emergencies to supporting vulnerable or lonely people. NALC needs to build a body of evidence showcasing why local councils should have priority access to the Government's support to make up for lost financial income and additional costs in these difficult times. The sizes of council being captured by this survey range in budget size from £1 to £999,999 so please remember that when completing your answers. There will be questions on precept, staffing and income to answer in the survey so it would be a good idea to have this data to hand when completing the survey.

Please help us to help you by taking a few minutes to answer the following questions by 17:00 on Friday 4th May.

Many thanks. Chris Borg, Policy Manager, NALC.

To take the survey click or go to: <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/BTVT5Z2> or access the link via the LALC website.