



North Tyneside Council

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Request:

I wish to make a freedom of information request about any impact assessments North Tyneside MBC has done on the effects of Brexit on North Tyneside's economy and public services.

Firstly, has the council done any? If not, why not and will you be doing so before 29 March 2019?

Secondly, if such assessments have been prepared would you, please, publish and advertise them?

In particular I would like to see any risk assessment carried out on the impact on North Tyneside of:

- a) No Deal: ie the UK leaving the EU without any transitional arrangements in place and no agreement with the EU on future trading and cooperation arrangements;
- b) An agreement with the EU based on the Government's Chequers proposals;
- c) An agreement with the EU inclusive of a transitional leaving period and a future trading relationship based on the Free Trade Agreement with Canada;
- d) The UK re-joining the European Free Trade Area and European Economic Area.

Response:

North Tyneside Council has been part of the North East Brexit Group. This has been an informal group of participants from the following organisations: CBI North East, North East Chamber of Commerce, North East Federation of Small Businesses, Entrepreneurs Forum, North East EEF, Northern TUC, North East Local Enterprise Partnership, North East Combined Authority, representatives from Northumbria, Sunderland, Newcastle and Durham universities and Voluntary Organisations Network North East (VONNE).

The group produced a full report in June 2018 on the implications of leaving the European Union could be for the North East. The full report is available on the North Eastern Local Enterprise Partnership website at <https://www.nelep.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2018/06/nel377-sector-study-a4-final-version.pdf>

North Tyneside Council has not paid any external organisations directly, in relation to preparing for the UK to exit the European Union.

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