

Reference: FOI0246

## Request:

I am writing to you to request, under the Freedom of Information act, the following things. First, any documents produced by your trust or council outlining planning or preparations for the upcoming exit of the United Kingdom from the European Union. Second any advice or notices to stakeholders given by your trust in relation to the upcoming exit from the EU. Finally, a list of any payments made to external organisations or companies for services in relation to your preparation for the exit of the United Kingdom from the European Union since 23 June 2016, including, if possible, the name of the organisation or company and a description of the services requested.

## 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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