



YOUR MONTHLY E-BULLETIN

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LATEST CONSORTIUM NEWS

2018 CONSORTIUM ANNUAL TRAINING EVENT

A GREAT DAY WAS HAD BY ALL?

There was a good turnout for the event this year held on 2nd October in St Helens - as in previous years, we had representation from over 30 of our member organisations.

Great comments were received for the majority of the sessions in relation to both content of and presentation of the topics.

We have noted on the flipside that we slipped a little on timings and we need to bear this in mind for future events.

We do appreciate the feedback from our sessions – good or bad!

And at the Consortium AGM it was decided to hold annual subscriptions at the current level for a further year too – good news for you and your budgets.

You also raised over £230 for our nominated charity – North West air Ambulance with our popular raffle with prizes donated by our Partner firms and Exhibitors.

Read below about how your donations help fund this vital service – and you can see NWAA's work in the BBC's Ambulance series, showing now on BBC 1 on Thursdays at 9pm/on I-Player.

THANK YOU TO ALL OF YOU WHO CONTRIBUTED TO THE EXTERNALISATION SURVEY IN ASSOCIATION WITH THOMSON REUTERS

With a little know how from Thomson Reuters we recently ran a survey across the Consortium to gauge the levels of externalised legal work across our member organisations and how you respond to your clients requirements for such support.

We were also trying to tease out the likely needs for external support in the future which will inform the Consortium's future procurement decisions.

The results are now in and will be considered by the Management Board this month.

We'll let you know what we learned from you in a later E-Bulletin.





YOUR NEW AND FREE CONSORTIUM TRAINING PROGRAMME IS NOW UNDERWAY!

You can book yourselves, colleagues or clients on to the courses available through the website.

With this new programme we have aligned **all course start times as 10am** to avoid confusion and assist all delegates in making their travel arrangements. **Please note that 10am is the actual start of the training session.**

Hope this helps!

Coming up before the end of 2018 you've got:

21st November in Manchester, Local Government Monitoring officer from Weightmans

23rd November in Liverpool, Practice Managers Meeting from Hill Dickinson.

More detail on the website courses page at <http://www.nwlegalconsortium.com/courses/>

Don't forget that all this training is **free** and is open to legal staff at member organisations as well as to client department staff.

And finally a request....

Booked on to a training course but now find that you can't make it?

If this happens to you.....and it might and it does, please try to let us know as soon as you can.

There is a facility to manage your bookings on the website – just click on 'Manage your Bookings'. If you can cancel your place please do so with as much notice as possible.

Or call or email Beryl or Brian to let us know not to expect you. It really does help us to manage the training better and shows respect for the trainers and other colleagues.

Many thanks.

CONSORTIUM OFFERS – COMING THIS MONTH

As you know from time to time we are able to bring you offers of assistance from various suppliers at discounted rates for Consortium members.

We have been talking to two such suppliers recently and the Board is looking forward to presenting to you 'offers' from both Thomson Reuters and Lexis Nexis.

The Thomson Reuters offer is a new offer to replace their three year offer which comes to an end shortly and which many member organisations have taken advantage of.

Lexis Nexis are putting together an offer for Consortium members for the first time.

We look forward to sharing these with you very soon.

REMINDERS

AND WE ARE NOW ON FACEBOOK!

Facebook will be an excellent facility for us to get messages to you all in addition to the website – so why not connect with us today?

<https://www.facebook.com/NWLegalConsortium/>





COURSE MATERIALS

Presentations and handouts from Consortium training sessions or the sessions at the Annual Training Event are all available in the documents area of the website at www.nwlegalconsortium.com

WEBSITE AUTHORISED USERS - ARE ALL YOUR COLLEAGUES SIGNED UP TO USE THE CONSORTIUM WEBSITE?

There is no limit on the number of users that each member organisation can register.

Some organisations have registered all their legal staff, others have been selective.

If you want to add new users we will need the approval of the Head of Service but from there we will sort it out for you!

Please either complete the form on the home page of the website or contact Beryl Heath on bh_nwlconsortium@btinternet.com to add more authorised users for your organisation

Also, if you have staff leaving you please let us know and we will keep your user list up to date.

Website Log In If you are an authorised user and you do not think you have received your website log in details then do get in touch with either Brian Gibson on briangibson2@msn.com or Beryl Heath at bh_nwlconsortium@btinternet.com and we'll do all we can to assist you.

NEW ROLES UP FOR GRABS?

We publish a range of vacancies on the website jobs page at <http://www.nwlegalconsortium.com/jobs/>

We are always adding new roles so keep checking.

If your authority wants to advertise any vacancies on the website **for free** contact Beryl Heath on bh_nwlconsortium@btinternet.com.



CHARITY OF THE YEAR

Please support the North West Air Ambulance Charity

For the Charity's latest events go to:

<http://nwaa.net/>





NORTH WEST AIR AMBULANCE CHARITY TO APPEAR ON BBC ONE SHOW AMBULANCE



Cancel your plans and tune into BBC One Thursday at 9pm as Ambulance, the BAFTA award winning observational documentary series returns to BBC One. This series joins the doctors, paramedics and pilots of the North West Air Ambulance Charity and staff of the North West Ambulance Service for an unprecedented insight into the complexities and difficulties of providing emergency medical care during one of the hottest summers on record.

Each episode follows in forensic detail a real shift as the call-handlers and ambulance dispatchers make decisions in the highly pressurised environment of the control room, about who should get care and when. Once the job is dispatched cameras follow the paramedics and our specialist Air Ambulance doctors and paramedics as they race to save lives on the ground.

The show will give our supporters an insight into the expertise the North West Air Ambulance Charity bring to scene and how our highly experienced doctors and paramedics provide guidance and support to the North West Ambulance Service by bringing the skills of the emergency room to the patient.

This is the real story behind the sirens.



PATIENT STORY



Listen to the Mason Family's story to see how your support really does make a lifesaving difference.





BREW WITH THE CREW



Gather your crew and make a brew to support the North West Air Ambulance Charity!

We're very excited to launch our brand new campaign 'Brew with the Crew'. Whether you're at home, in the office or out and about in the community we are asking you to gather your crew together to raise money and have a tea-rific time supporting your North West Air Ambulance.

You can hold a par-tea, have a brew with your bikers or just a quiet cuppa at home to support the North West Air Ambulance Charity. All the money you raise will go towards our vital work bringing our expert crew to life or death situations across the North West.

It is no exaggeration when we say your brew could help to save a life! Each year the North West Air Ambulance Charity attends, on average, 2000 missions helping all types of people in their time of need. As a charity who receives no government funding our work is only possible because of kind donations!

Sign up today to register your 'Brew with the Crew' activity and receive a free welcome .

[Click here to register for your free Brew with the Crew pack today!](#)





PATIENT STORY



It's no exaggeration when we say your brew will make a lifesaving difference. Listen to Steve's story to see just what your brew could do....



EVENTS



Blackburn Santa Dash - 9th December

We're excited to have been chosen as the charity partner for Blackburn Council's new Blackburn Santa Dash. With 100% of the proceeds being donated to North West Air Ambulance.

[Click here to secure your place now!](#)





NEW NORTH WEST AIR AMBULANCE SHOP LAND IN LONGRIDGE!



On Friday 28th September, the North West Air Ambulance Charity (NWAA) launched a brand new store in Longridge, its 10th in the North West.

The emergency helicopter charity touched down at 10am with the help of deputy mayor of Longridge Town Council, Councillor Steve Ashcroft, cutting the ribbon.

Local shoppers were welcomed through the doors of the Longridge at Home store on Berry Lane, to browse quality furniture, from beds to sofas and dining tables, alongside household goods, clothing, bric-a-brac and books, with every purchase helping to fuel the work of the lifesaving service, in Longridge and beyond.

Wendy Lynch, the newly appointed store manager, commented: "I've seen the impact the air ambulance has had in Longridge and the Ribble Valley, and I'm excited to work with a team who are all eager to give back to a local charity that means so much to so many. We can't wait to settle the shop into the community, and meet our neighbours, new customers and friends."

Paul Freethy, Senior Retail Operations Manager at the charity, said: "The shop has come together beautifully, and as our charity and service grows, it's important we provide a centre for our local supporters to shop, chat and aid our service."

"Our brilliant crew have attended over 1,000 missions since April this year, and the need for our lifesaving service has never been greater. As the charity doesn't receive government funding or support from the National Lottery, it wouldn't be possible to operate without the generous donations we receive through our retail stores, such as Longridge. We hope the community are excited to celebrate and support our crew's incredible efforts in the new store."

The store is appealing for quality used goods, dropped off either directly at the counter, through its handy drive-up donation station or by arranging a free collection from home. By signing up to Gift Aid, supporters can even make their donations up to 25% more valuable – at no extra cost.

You can find the North West Air Ambulance Charity Longridge shop at 60 Berry Lane, Longridge, Preston PR3 3JP.





VACANCIES



Would you like to work for a charity that is making a lifesaving difference across the North West. We are currently recruiting for the following vacancies:

FREE WILLS SCHEME



We are delighted to be working with the Free Wills Network who, for a limited time, are supporting us by offering a free basic will to any of our supporters. Should you like any more information on how to participate in the scheme please contact our Legacy Officer, Gaynor Lanceley on 0800 587 4570 or by email

Mission Tracker: Sept 2018

