News story: PM appoints new members of Senior Salaries Review Body

The Prime Minister has approved the appointment of Miss Pippa Greenslade and Mr David Sissling as members of the Senior Salaries Review Body (SSRB), with immediate effect. The appointment is for a term of three years. The SSRB provides independent advice to the Prime Minister and ministers on the pay of many of the nation's senior public servants.

Biography of Miss Pippa Greenslade

Miss Pippa Greenslade was Group Human Resources Director of Bakkavor plc, a global provider of fresh prepared foods from 2013-2018. Previous roles include Global Human Resources Director at the British Council and senior HR positions with Cadbury plc.

She is currently a Trustee of Christian Aid and was a Trustee of the Whitehall and Industry Group between 2014 and 2019.

Biography of Mr David Sissling

The early part of David's career was in the private sector. He joined the NHS in 1993 and he has subsequently made a wide range of leadership contributions, mainly as a Chief Executive, including a number of regional and national roles. He has also worked at senior levels in the Civil Service.

David is currently working as a Senior Leadership Adviser for NHS England and NHS Improvement.

News story: The impact of the Magnox waste strategy at Hinkley Point A Site

Magnox is seeking planning permission from Somerset County Council to move a small amount of waste to Hinkley Point A Site for interim storage.



Hinkley Point A Site

A key part of decommissioning the Magnox sites is dealing with radioactive waste. At Hinkley Point A Site, and other Magnox sites, a proportion of the waste that needs to be managed is called intermediate level waste (ILW). This ILW needs to be packaged and stored in Interim Storage Facilities (ISFs), before its eventual disposal at a national Geological Disposal Facility (GDF).

The work followers several years of discussion and engagement with local stakeholders around the country about Magnox's waste strategies across all our sites.

Several public drop-in sessions will be held to allow you to find out more — the details of which are below.

Date	Venue	Time
22 May 2019	Bridgewater Town Hall	1700 - 1900
05 June 2019	Cannington Village Hall	1100 - 1300
05 June 2019	Stogursey Church Rooms	1700 - 1900
11 June 2019	Bridgewater Town Hall	1000 - 1200
11 June 2019	Wembdon Village Hall	1400 - 1600

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Thank you for your feedback

News story: Home Office to scrap 101

non-emergency number charges



The Home Secretary has today (28 May) announced he is scrapping charges for the 101 police non-emergency number.

The move will make the number free of charge for all members of the public, including victims of crime, from April 2020.

The Home Office will invest £5 million a year to fund the service, which receives around 30 million calls annually.

Callers to the 101 number are connected to their local police force, or a force of their choice, and charged 15p a time.

The Home Secretary Sajid Javid said:

It's vital members of the public have confidence in the police and are able to report any non-emergency incidents in a convenient and accessible way.

Scrapping the charge for making a 101 call will benefit millions of people every year — especially the vulnerable.

We are also continuing to work with the police to develop a new website, the Single Online Home, to provide the public with the option of reporting crime online.

In addition to making 101 calls free, the Home Office is funding police forces to create a new website where the public will be able to contact the police and report crimes online.

The Single Online Home (SOH), is being launched in full in the summer to reflect changes in how the public are interacting with the police.

The 101 service was launched in England and Wales in December 2011, providing a memorable and accessible number for non-emergency contact with the police.

It should be used to contact police when an emergency response is not required. For example:

- if your car has been stolen
- if your property has been damaged
- if you suspect drug use or dealing in your neighbourhood
- to give the police information about crime in your area
- to speak to the police about a general enquiry

Members of the public should continue to call the free 999 service for emergencies.

News story: New funding stream for blue sky thinking

The Defence and Security Accelerator (DASA) is pleased to announce a new Innovation Focus Area (IFA) for Defence, which will provide funding to innovators for even the most 'light bulb' of moments in revolutionary radar thinking.

On behalf of the Defence Science and Technology Laboratory (Dstl), we seek to find and fund new and novel concepts or technologies that have the potential to transform the UK's radar sensing capabilities on land, at sea and in the air, whilst meeting the needs of a modern complex battlespace in the next 10-15 years.

The Armed Forces rely on radar capabilities to provide situational awareness and intelligence on a daily basis. Any concept or technology considered through this funding route must enhance the MOD's future vision for a resilient and robust radar system that is flexible, multi-function, networked and cognitive.

The 'Open' competition call exists to encourage anyone with a good idea that has potential to solve defence and/or security challenges to apply for funding at any time. Though we remain 'open' to all ideas, we hope that the new IFA will encourage those with emerging ideas in radar innovation to talk to us and submit a proposal for funding.

Find out more information on the latest <u>Innovation Focus Area and to how to apply for funding</u>.

Press release: Lord-Lieutenant of Norfolk: 28 May 2019

The Queen has approved the appointment of The Lady Dannatt MBE as Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant of the County of Norfolk.