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Hi,

Welcome to the September 2024 edition of Business Law Today.

As a Partner in the Employment & Immigration team, we are keeping track on the UK Government's proposals for workers' rights and what they mean for our business clients. In this month's edition of the BLT, I have an article discussing the proposed "right to switch off" for employees and how other countries have adopted a similar right.

I am also delighted to present a series of employment law podcasts which we have recorded recently, focussing on various employment issues, from restrictive covenants to redundancies, all available here.

We have a great and varied mix of topical articles this month's edition from across a number of specialist teams in the Business Group, so we hope you find something in here to enjoy and digest!

Please take a look at our new <u>ECCTA Information Hub</u> if you need to keep abreast of changes to company law and Companies House processes created by the Economic Crime and Corporate Transparency Act 2023 (ECCTA).

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Planning Primer seminar

Bristol

Date:

Wednesday 9 October

Join us for the next Michelmores' Planning Primer seminar in association with the LPDF. Our panel of experts will be covering Labour's proposed changes to

MAINstream Pitch Event

Cheltenham

Date:

Thursday 10 October

Our next MAINstream pitch event will be held at The Clarence Social, Cheltenham in partnership with Hazlewoods.

Lessons from Leading Women Tech Entrepreneurs

London

Date:

Tuesday 12 November

Michelmores has partnered with Women in Telecoms & Technology (WiTT) to celebrate women entrepreneurs working in the tech sector.

the current planning regime and whether those changes are likely to deliver 1.5m homes in this parliamentary term; issues which would prevent Labour achieving its housing agenda; the existing **BNG** and Nutrient Neutrality regimes; and whether Natural Capital requirements will affect housing delivery.

Find out more

The pitches will be followed by a Q&A panel session where attendees will have the opportunity to hear from seasoned investors.

MAINstream is a network for business angel investors established by Michelmores in 2019 to help accelerate the growth of angel investing, particularly in the South West.

Find out more

Delegates will have the opportunity to hear from leading women in the field during a panel discussion led by Audrey Mandela, the co-founder of Multimap.com. The Speakers will be announced closer to the date.

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