Brexit Policy Round-Up April 2019

Health and social care staff: EU Exit preparations update:

On 2nd April DHSC <u>sent</u> a letter to health and social care staff providing information on the rights of EU citizens to remain in the UK after it leaves the EU, the continued recognition of EU professional qualifications in the UK & medicines and prescribing in the event of a nodeal EU Exit.

Overseas visitor charging: guidance for NHS service providers on updates to regulations:

On 8th April DHSC published <u>guidance</u> on how changes to charging regulations will affect the recovery of costs from overseas visitors and migrants if the UK leaves the EU with no deal.

Brexit and Local Government – Housing, Communities and Local Government Committee report:

On 11th April LGiU published a <u>briefing</u> summarising the committee's findings and recommendations. It comments on the main themes of the report – uncertainty, (lack of) engagement, devolution and money – in the context of the Government's emerging policies.

Mobile roaming after EU Exit:

On 9th April DCMS <u>published</u> guidance on how businesses and consumers could be affected by changes to mobile roaming charges. If the UK leaves the EU with a deal, surcharge-free roaming would continue during the Implementation Period, after which arrangements would depend on the outcome of future partnership negotiations. If there's no deal, costs that EU mobile operators could charge UK operators would no longer be regulated after exit day, meaning that surcharge-free roaming in the EU could no longer be guaranteed.

Recognition of professional qualifications:

On 10th April BEIS published <u>quidance</u> explaining how the recognition of professional qualifications will operate if we leave the EU without a deal.

Supporting vulnerable EU citizens to apply for settled status:

On 10th April the Home Office <u>announced</u> that 57 organisations across the UK will receive a share of £9 million funding to provide practical support to vulnerable or at-risk people applying to the EU Settlement Scheme and support them to complete their applications.