

Media Review - February 17 at 10.00 am

UK Newspaper headlines: Business rates and woolly mammoths in the news

BBC News

A revolt over a rise in business rates and the potential return of woolly mammoths make the news.

http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/blogs-thepapers-39000064

NI Newspaper review: Political Lotharios and Fantastic Mrs Fox

BBC News

The cliff-edge adventures of a vixen prove more exciting than the first TV election debate. <u>http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-northern-ireland-39001831</u>

Belfast's Jewish community reviewing security after hate messages

Belfast Telegraph

http://www.belfasttelegraph.co.uk/news/ northern-ireland/jewish-community-reviewingsecurity-after-hate-messages-35458575.html? utm_source=ipad_share&utm_medium=ipad_ap p&utm_campaign=clickbacks

Tony Blair calls for people to 'rise up' against Brexit

BBC News http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/ukpolitics-38996179? ocid=global bbccom email 17022017 top +news+stories

Brexit outworking may put UK block grant to NI at risk

News Letter

The outworking of the Brexit vote has put the level of Northern Ireland's block grant from Westminster at enormous risk, Mike Nesbitt has warned.

http://www.newsletter.co.uk/brexit-block-grantfears-1-7824071

Irish Republic, not Northern Ireland, should be seeking special EU status

News Letter

The Irish Republic, not Northern Ireland, should be seeking special EU status after Brexit according to the leader of the TUV

http://www.newsletter.co.uk/nationalist-callsover-brexit-are-foolish-1-7825581

Brexit: Sites for possible Irish border checkpoints examined

BBC News http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-northernireland-38993912

Almost half of NI youngsters applied for university this year, highest percentage in UK

News Letter

Just under half of young people in Northern Ireland applied for university this year, it has been revealed.

http://www.newsletter.co.uk/almost-half-of-niyoungsters-applied-for-university-thisyear-1-7826404

University applications 'depends heavily on where you live'

BBC News

Teenagers from London were most likely to apply while those in the South West were least likely.

http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/education-38996267

Eniskillen teachers: 'Two hours per week travelling between schools'

BBC NI News Teachers at a school in County Fermanagh are spending up to two hours a week travelling between classes http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-northernireland-38986170

NI Principals consulted on industrial action BBC NI News

The union representing the majority of school principals in Northern Ireland will consult its members on industrial action.

http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-northernireland-38987603

Sexual consent classes at UCD cancelled due to lack of interest

Irish Times Just 20 students attended well-publicised classes run by UCD Students' Union http://www.irishtimes.com/news/education/ sexual-consent-classes-at-ucd-cancelled-dueto-lack-of-interest-1.2978032

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Mail/Guard/Yorks Post

Reports on a joint letter published vesterday from the Archbishop's of Canterbury and York, to General Synod members, setting out the way forward over the next few months. following the synod vote on Wednesday not to take note of the House of Bishops report on marriage and same sex relationships. http://www.dailymail.co.uk/wires/pa/ article-4230938/Bishops-apologise-churchgoers-alienated-report-sexmarriage.html#ixzz4YvS1HRMc https://www.theguardian.com/world/2017/feb/ 16/church-of-england-to-plan-response-afterrejection-of-same-sex-report http://www.yorkshirepost.co.uk/news/ archbishops-set-out-way-foward-afterreport-1-8394816

BBC/Guard/Tel/Times/Mail

Reports on statement from Bishop of Coventry, Christopher Cocksworth apologising for accidentally pushing the wrong voting button in Wednesday's 'take note' debate giving the impression "that there was not complete agreement in the House of Bishops". http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-38994125 https://www.theguardian.com/world/2017/feb/ 16/anglican-bishop-apologises-same-sexrelationships-labt-vote-church-england http://www.telegraph.co.uk/news/2017/02/16/ bishop-apologises-accidentally-pressing-wrongbutton-crucial/ http://www.thetimes.co.uk/article/i-pressedwrong-button-in-synod-vote-on-same-sexmarriage-cwpw2hmff http://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/ article-4233252/Bishop-hit-wrong-button-General-Synod-gay-marriage-vote.html

BBC/Get Surrey

Report that Guildford cathedral could face closure after plans to sell off nearby land for development were rejected. Article notes comment by the Bishop of Guildford, Andrew Watson saying "We have looked at every possible 'plan b' but have found no other option open to us" and also notes that the Archbishop of Canterbury submitted a plea to the council to support the proposal for 134 new homes on the unused land saying churches had huge social and economic benefits for an area. http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-englandsussex-38996605 http://www.getsurrey.co.uk/news/surrey-news/ guildford-cathedral-homes-planplanning-12613432

Times/Mail

Reports that Holy Trinity Church, in Hull, a grade I listed building is removing historic pews, angering heritage groups who say that it will cause irreparable damage. The Revd Canon Dr Neal Barnes, vicar of Holy Trinity, is quoted saying that many pews would be retained "so most of the Victorian heritage will be preserved". Article notes that passing judgment last month the Church's consistory court ruled that the pews removal was the price of financial survival.

http://www.thetimes.co.uk/article/historic-pewsaxed-in-hull-s-rock-n-roll-renovation-qnmjszwt3 http://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/

article-4233202/Britain-s-largest-parish-churchremoves-pews-concerts.html?

ITO=1490&ns mchannel=rss&ns campaign=149

Time s(diary)

Noting farewell to Bishop of London, Richard Chartres at General Synod yesterday and his comments from the gallery to stop the long standing-ovation.

http://www.thetimes.co.uk/article/hiddleston-smercy-splash-lhqpw9tsm

BBC

Feature on campaign by MPs to change the law which only allows the names of the father of the bride and groom on the marriage certificate. Article notes that Conservative MP Edward Argar's Registration of Marriage Bill is the most likely vehicle to overturn the law <u>http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-</u> politics-38096514

BBC newsbeat

Further news report on the General Synod vote on Wednesday not to 'take note' of a report by the House of Bishops on marriage and same sex relationships http://www.bbc.co.uk/newsbeat/article/

<u>38996092/church-of-england-gay-marriage-</u> vote-gave-us-hope

Comment

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Andrea Williams, Synod member and CEO of Christian Concern writes Wednesday's vote in Synod was not a victory for the LGBT lobby - the real issue is not about same-sex marriage but about the authority of the Bible in the Church of England.

http://www.telegraph.co.uk/news/2017/02/16/ time-church-england-lay-law-marriage/

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Michael Fabricant MP writes that if the Church of England continues to smother liberal Anglicans, it is heading for a split http://www.telegraph.co.uk/news/2017/02/16/

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<u>USA</u>

Christian aid group lays off staff in wake of Trump's executive order on refugees

World Relief is one of nine private agencies contracted with the U.S. government to resettle refugees.

More from Religion News Service

Does the Bible really advocate sanctuary cities?

American cities, counties and universities that offer sanctuary for undocumented foreigners cannot claim to be following the practice described in the Bible.

More from Religion News Service

A pastor in the Bible Belt opened his church to refugees. Here's what happened

Pastor David Daniels didn't really have a choice. The refugees were desperate. He could feel that. Their need was great. He could see that. But God was also talking and that, well, he could definitely hear.

More from latimes.com

Anti-Muslim hate groups nearly triple in US since last year, report finds

Southern Poverty Law Center credited the rise in racist and far-right groups to Donald Trump's "incendiary rhetoric" and his senior staff of "anti-Muslim ideologues."

More from www.theguardian.com

Trump retains LGBT State Department official, frustrating Christian conservatives

Once again, Trump and religious conservatives don't see eye to eye on LGBT rights. A sign of things to come?

More from Religion News Service