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Briefings



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Coverage of CIOT and ATT in the print, broadcast and online media

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‘The CIOT warns that middle-earners are being squeezed because of the SNP’s one-two punch income tax policy, which makes Scotland the highest-taxed part of the UK while also freezing bands, meaning more taxpayers are being dragged into a higher bracket.’

The Mail on Sunday on Scottish income tax rates, 6 April

‘HMRC is making it clear that responsibility passes back to the individual to get in touch to pay tax, so we urge anyone who thinks they may owe tax on their savings interest to contact HMRC as soon as they can.’

ATT President Senga Prior, quoted in the Financial Times on tax on savings interest, 9 April

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‘The Low Incomes Tax Reform Group (LITRG) say the tax code K could mean you owe tax money to HMRC, which has led the taxman to cut your personal allowance down to pay for it.’

Daily Express article on using tax codes to collect unpaid tax, 16 April

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‘George Crozier, of the CIOT, said: “Improving service levels is central to rebuilding trust in HMRC. Taxpayers trying to comply with their obligations need to be able to get answers to their questions and registrations and refunds need to be processed quickly.” Helen Thornley, of the ATT, said: “Continuing poor HMRC service standards are a significant driver in additional costs for HMRC, agents and taxpayers. For example, many of our members have reported needing to make repeated phone contact with HMRC to resolve or get updates on issues.”’

Daily Telegraph article on April’s Public Accounts Committee report on HMRC, 30 April

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‘This new interactive tool from HMRC makes compliance guidance readily accessible in one place, and easier for people to find the information that is relevant to them.’

Joanne Walker of LITRG in the Daily Record on a new online HMRC compliance tool, 5 May