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OFT drops investigation into bank charges

The Office of Fair Trading has decided not to further investigate bank overdraft charges under unfair contract terms legislation.

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Boiler scrappage scheme launched by government

A government scheme that gives households in England £400 off the cost of a new boiler has been launched.

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Recession weary employees seeking greener grass

A third of UK employees (33%) say they have not felt valued by their employer during the recession and would leave for another job if they could, according to new research.

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Court of protection could be opened up to public scrutiny

The Court of Protection, which looks after the affairs of people suffering from mental incapacity, could be opened up to public scrutiny.

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Extra national insurance burden ahead

One of the significant announcements in the Pre-Budget Report in December was a further increase in national insurance contributions (NIC) which is to take effect from 6 April 2011.

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House price watch

Your home may well be one of your major assets. Even if you are not planning on moving in the near future, it is always a good idea to keep abreast of the latest changes in the housing market.

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Tax relief on nursery vouchers

Gordon Brown had revised his proposal to withdraw the income tax and NI exemption on employer provided childcare vouchers.

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Bad weather advice

The Institution of Occupational Safety and Health (IOSH) are warning people to be prepared for poor weather conditions when travelling.

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