

Member Development Programme for New and Returning Members 2023/24



	Online Modules					
Mandatory, Optional or Advisory	Training Module:					
Mandatory	Safeguarding (Bronze Level) Children, Young People & Adults - Now Live					
Mandatory	GDPR and Data Protection – Now Live					
Optional	Induction for New Starters					
Optional	Councillor Scrutiny					
Optional	Dementia Awareness					
Optional	Business Math					
Optional	Coaching					
Optional	Cyber Security – Keeping Safe online					
Optional	Dementia Awareness					
Optional	Emergency Planning					
Optional	Healthy Lifestyles					
Optional	Influencing, Assertiveness and Negotiation					
Optional	Interview Skills					



Optional	Introduction to health & Safety
Optional	Introduction to Mindfulness and Meditation
Optional	Keeping Safe Online
Optional	Managing your priorities
Optional	Mental Health Awareness
Optional	Personal Resilience
Optional	Prevent
Optional	Risk Management
Optional	Treating People Fairly



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Wednesday 10 May 2023 5:30pm	Council Chamber	Mandatory	 Member Induction – Essential Business Day Welcome from Chief Executive and Directors Corporate Overview Code of Conduct training Drop off forms 	No
Tuesday 16 May 2023 5:30pm	Council Chamber	Mandatory for new Members Returning Members can also attend this event	 ICT and Democratic Services Support Session Issue new username and passwords for Outlook Issue new laptops Overview of various applications 	No
Thursday 25 May 2023 5.30pm	Council Chamber	Mandatory for Planning Committee Members and Substitute Members	 Planning Committee Function of the Planning Committee Structure of a Committee day Introduction to legislation & Policy Code of Conduct 	No



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Wednesday 31 May 2023	Virtual	Optional	LGA Planning Virtual Training The session will explain the planning process, giving clarity to some of its complexities and highlighting the importance and different roles that councillors can have to interact with the process. This forms part of a wider programme delivered by the LGA to introduce new councillors to some key specific areas of work within the local government.	Yes Local Government Authority (LGA)
Wednesday 7 June 2023 5:30pm	Council Chamber	Optional – but suggested for Planning Committee Members	Growth & Development Awareness Training	No
Wednesday 14 June 2023 5.30pm	Council Chamber	All Members are welcome to attend. This is mandatory for Scrutiny Commission Members	All Member Workshop – The Essentials of Effective Strategic Scrutiny Scrutiny influences and how to use them The foundations of effective scrutiny – collaboration, trust, and transparency Latest guidance and good practice	Yes Centre for Governance & Scrutiny (CfGS)



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Monday 19 June 2023 11:00am	Via Zoom	Optional	 Rural Policy and Implications for rural communities Information about the Rural Services Network and our services An overview of the key challenges facing rural communities and rural policy Our Policy Asks of Government in these key policy areas 	Rural Services Network
Tuesday 20 June 2023 3:30pm onwards	Civic Area, Park Room & Brooks Room	Advisory	Meet The Services Event An opportunity to meet various teams of the Council and learn about services we provide.	No
Thursday 22 June 2023 10.00am-3.30pm	Devonshire Place, 78 London Road, LE2 ORA	Optional	Planning Reform Planning Reform – Background & Context Levelling up & Regeneration Bill The Infrastructure Levy Impact on Devolution and the Levelling up agenda	Yes East Midlands Councils



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Tuesday 27 June 2023 6:00pm	Council Chamber	Mandatory for Licensing Committee Members and Substitute Members.	 Licensing Committee Training Conduct of Councillors in the Administration of Licensing – General Principles Conduct of Councillors in the Administration of Licensing – Hearings Appeals and costs 	Yes David Lucas
Monday 3 July 2023 6:00pm-8:30pm	Virtual	Advisory for Chairs of Committees and those who may wish to Chair a Committee.	 Chairing Skills for Members This development session will provide participants with tips and techniques associated with being a skilled chair of a virtual, physical or hybrid meeting. Identify the role, responsibilities and skills for being an effective chair. Plan and prepare for a meeting – both face to face 	Yes East Midlands Councils Miranda Smythe
		member of Democratic Service's to book	 and virtual. Open a meeting and set the scene. Structure agenda items and discussions for logic and flow. Communicate confidently including keeping the meeting on track Encourage and manage participation. Close the meeting positively. 	



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Wednesday 5 July 2023 5:30pm	Virtual Via Microsoft Teams	Advisory	 Lightbulb & Housing Enablement Team (HET) Disabled Facilities Grants Overview of the Hospital Housing Service Home Gadgets & Assistive Technology Pilot Safespaces Hoarding Pilot Overview of Housing Enablement services 	No
Wednesday 12 July 2023 2.00-3.30pm	Virtual Via Zoom	Optional Please contact a member of the Democratic Service's Team to book a place.	 Handling Online Abuse and Intimidation Webinar Managing trolls and cyber-bullies Introduction to the legal framework around social media posts Tips on how to create a positive online presence How to stay safe online 	Yes East Midlands Councils
Thursday 13 July 2023 5:30pm	Brooks Room	Mandatory for Audit & Corporate Governance Committee Members and Substitutes.	Audit & Corporate Governance Training • Roles & responsibilities of the Audit & Corporate Governance Committee Please note: Audit & Corporate Governance Committee will take place after Member training.	No



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Friday 14 July 2023 10.00-11.30am	Virtual	Advisory for Members of the Licensing & Regulatory Committee. Please contact a member of the Democratic Service's Team to book a place.	 Introduction to Licensing This session will support you with the licensing process as you settle into your role What to expect and tips to help you work effectively This session will focus on some key areas of licensing: alcohol and entertainment, taxi and private hire vehicle, and gambling 	Yes East Midlands Councils
Friday 14 July 2023 1.30pm – 4.00pm	Nottingham County Council, County Hall, Loughboroug h Road, Nottingham, NG2 7QP	Optional Please contact a member of the Democratic Service's Team to book a place.	 Hitting the Ground Running New Councillor Workshop Discussing your early experiences so far Understanding the challenges in your ward role The role of the Modern Councillor Learning and tips from experienced Councillors How East Midlands and the Local Government Association can support you 	Yes East Midlands Councils



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Tuesday 18 July 2023 5:30pm Rescheduled Date: Thursday 16 November	Council Chamber	Advisory for Planning Committee Members and substitute Members.	CANCELLED Planning Masterclass Subject : Planning Enforcement. Cancelation reason: Low member attendance	No
Thursday 20 July 2023 5:30pm	Council Chamber	This is mandatory for Scrutiny Commission Members and those wishing to join Working Groups	Scrutiny: Questioning Skills Core questioning and listening skills Developing a questioning strategy	Yes Centre for Governance & Scrutiny (CfGS) Lisa Smart



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Monday 31 July 2023 1:00 – 2:00pm	Virtual	Optional	 Cyber Security – Stay safe online! East Midlands Councils, working collaboratively with the East Midlands Special Operations Unit (EMSOU), is hosting a free webinar for Councillors on cyber security. Cyber Security is the protection of your hardware, software and data from unauthorised access and cyber-attacks. We recognise the value and responsibility you bring to our communities as a councillor, with this in mind we want to ensure that you have strong cyber security protection available to you. 	East Midlands Councils and EMSOU A collaborative unit of officers and staff from Derbyshire, Leicestershire, Lincolnshire, Northamptonshire and Nottinghamshire police forces tackling the most serious, organised and violent crime, countering terrorism and extremism and providing forensic services on behalf of the region.
Tuesday 5 September 2023 5:30pm	Council Chamber	This is mandatory for Scrutiny Commission Members and those wishing to join Working Groups	Scrutiny Training: Work Programming Purpose of work programmes Importance of openness and collaboration Different scrutiny techniques to build agility and capacity	Yes Centre for Governance & Scrutiny (CfGS) Dave Burn



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Thursday 14	Virtual	Advisory for newly	Finance without numbers – An introduction to local	Yes
September 2023		elected Members.	government finance	East
2.00-3.30pm			Members' role in finance	Midlands
			How finance decisions are made	Councils
			Some key financial issues and terminology	
Tuesday 19 September 2023	Council Chamber	Advisory for Planning Committee Members and	Planning Masterclass: Housing Land Supply Background of the national government	No
5:30pm		substitute Members.	requirement for housing land supply and decision making	
			 Past housing supply within the district and influences on delivery rates 	
			Current position of housing land supply	
			Approach to future housing delivery	
Wednesday 27	New	Optional	CANCELLED New Lubbesthorpe Tour	No
September 2023	Lubbesthorpe		This is a walking tour of Lubbesthorpe	
4.30-6.30pm	(Transport Provided)		Cancelation reason: Bad weather forecast	
Rescheduled Date: Spring 2024	i iovided)			



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Tuesday 3 October 2023 5:30pm	Brooks Room	Optional	 Introduction to Communications & Social Media Introduction of the service and what we do Do's and don'ts of social media 	No
Thursday 12 October 5:30pm	Hybrid Brooks Room or Microsoft Teams	Optional	 Climate Change Masterclass What have we achieved and our plans moving forward Introduction to the Climate Change Action Plan and Climate Change Strategy 	No
Wednesday 18 October 2023 5:30pm	Hybrid Brooks Room or Microsoft Teams	Advisory	Domestic Abuse Awareness An opportunity for Members to learn about the Domestic Abuse and the team who support service users.	No
Monday 23 October 2023 5:30pm	Council Chamber	Advisory	 Finance and Welfare Training How local Authority accounting works Council Tax & Benefits overview 	No



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Wednesday 25 October 2023 5:30pm Rescheduled Date: Monday 18 December 2023	Council Chamber	Optional	 CANCELLED Affordable Housing Housing Demand Homelessness Update Affordable housing Update Cancelation reason: Extraordinary Council meeting required. 	No
Thursday 2 November 2023 5:30pm Rescheduled Date:TBC	Council Chamber	Mandatory for Planning Committee Members	CANCELLED Planning Masterclass Subject : TBC Cancelation reason: Low member attendance	No
Wednesday 1 November 2023 5:30pm	Hybrid Brooks Room or Microsoft Teams	Advisory	Anti-Social Behaviour, Prevent and Protect To provide an insight of the work of the Community Services team and Police on ASB, Prevent and Protect.	No



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Thursday 9 th November 2023 5:00pm	Council Chamber	Advisory	Equalities, Diversity and Inclusion	Yes Nelsons Training
Tuesday 14 th November 2023 5:30pm	Hybrid Brooks Room or Microsoft Teams	Advisory for New Members	New Members - 6 month catch up	N/A
Thursday 16 November 2023 5:30pm	Council Chamber	Advisory for Planning Committee Members and substitute members	Planning Masterclass: Planning Enforcement What is Planning Enforcement (General Overview) What we can do, what we can't do (Outline of Powers etc) Development monitoring Brief Stats/IPlan/Enforcement Policy Refresh Interesting Cases	No



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Monday 4 December 2023 5:30pm Rescheduled Date:TBC	Council Chamber	Advisory for Planning Committee Members and substitute members	CANCELLED Planning Masterclass: Subject TBC Cancelation reason: Low member attendance Parks & Open spaces Task and Finish Group to be held on this date. This group is required to take place before Council meeting on Tuesday 30 January 2024	No
Thursday 7 December 2023 5:30pm	Council Chamber	Optional	NEW Cyber Security Escape Room The escape room covers important topics such as:- Phishing Data leakage Creating strong passwords	Yes The Policy Cyber Crime Unit
Monday 18 December 2023 5:30pm	Hybrid Brooks Room or Microsoft Teams	Optional	RESCHEDULED Affordable Housing Housing Demand Homelessness Update Affordable housing Update	No



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Thursday 15	Council	Mandatory	Code of Conduct	No
February 2024 5:30pm	Chamber		 Understanding members roles and responsibilities The purpose of the code, the principles the code is based on and when the code applies. 	