Events and Information for Members

July is Think Councillor Month!

The month is used to promote the role of Members amongst officers, advise how decisions are made, provide tools on how colleagues can engage effectively with Councillors and detail the role of Member Services. There will be a number of events aimed at officers and Members to promote engagement, these will include:



- A Member Services stand in ground floor North and South lift lobbies between 12.00 -14.00 every Tuesday & Thursday throughout July (it would be great if Members could pop along)
- To feed into the Member Induction Programme a Networking event is being held on 10 July which will aim to showcase services to Members and provide officers who do not routinely work with Members the chance to put names to faces, whilst providing a networking opportunity for both parties. The session will be held on Monday 10 July 12.30 14.00 in Mezz 1,2 and 3, following the Cabinet meeting being held earlier that day. We encourage all Members to attend, if you are unable to stay for the duration, all Members are more than welcome to dip in and out of the session.

Coming up:

- Member biographies (videos on the intranet)
- Look out for Think Councillor articles in the ONE newsletter throughout July

Many thanks for your support on this initiative we look forward to seeing you throughout the month

Member Induction

Thank you to all who have attended the Member Inductions programme thus far.

To help us with the future sessions it would be helpful for feedback to be provided the sessions you have attended and provide suggestions on future topics. A survey will be coming out to Members towards the end of July and we would encourage all Members to take 10 minutes to complete the survey. Remaining sessions in the programme are as follows:

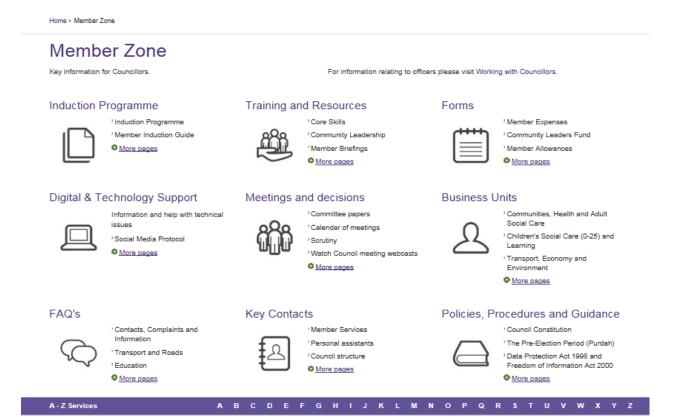
Date	Title	Time	Venue
Wed 19 July	Media Skills & Delivery Difficult Messages Aim: To be provided with techniques for delivery difficult messages and liaising with local media	14.00 - 16.00	Mezz 1
Wed 26 July	Understanding Data & Performance Aim: To understand how data and performance information is recorded at the County Council and used to improve services provided	14.00 - 16.00	Mezz 2
	Role of Members in Commissioning Aim: To understand the Commissioning framework at the County Council and the Member role	10.00 - 12.00	Mezz 1
Sept date TBC	Personal Resilience for Members Aim: To provide advice on managing challenging workloads, conflicting priorities and dealing with difficult interactions	твс	ТВС
Wed 20	Social Media Skills Aim: For officers to showcase ways in which Members can use social media to communicate with residents, to support the County Council's digital strategy	14.00 - 16.00	Mezz 3

Wed 4 Oct	Public Service reform and the impact on elected Members	10.00 – 12.00 Mezz
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Member Zone

Member Zone's Training and Resources section has been updated and information can be found here: https://intranet.buckscc.gov.uk/member-zone/training-and-resources/skills-needed-to-be-a-councillor

There is now a list of upcoming Member Briefings on Member Zone, details can be found here: https://intranet.buckscc.gov.uk/member-zone/training-and-resources/member-briefings



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