County Council



Member Services Update

MEMBER DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY

The Deputy Leader, Mr Shaw, has recently agreed a decision to approve a Member Development Strategy for the County Council. A copy of the strategy can be viewed <u>here</u>. The Member Development Working Group has overseen the development of this strategy, incorporating feedback from Members on the election Induction. The purpose of the strategy is to ensure that the right training and support are provided to Members.

The implementation of the strategy will be overseen by the Member Development Working Group.

This cross-party group is chaired by Mr S Lambert and includes the following Members:

Mr Shaw	Mr Martin	
Mr Bowles	Ms Ward	
Mr Carroll	Mrs Glover	
Mr Clare		

The group is currently working to prepare for an external reassessment of the Council's Charter Mark status for Member Development with the inspection due to take place on 12 December 2017.

MEMBER BRIEFINGS – INFORMATION EVENTS ON HOT TOPICS

Member briefings normally take place once a month at County Hall in Aylesbury. The Member Development Strategy agreed a shift in approach to increasing the number of online briefings. Further details of these will be available in the new year. Key upcoming meetings are:

Date	Торіс	Time	Venue
	Buckinghamshire Thames Valley LEP		Exhibition Suite Rm 2
Thurs 25 Jan	Child Sexual Exploitation		Large Dining Rm, Judges Lodgings

OUT AND ABOUT Visits

This month saw eight of our Members attend the Archiving department at NCO for an Out and About visit. The team were able to tailor the visit to those who attended, providing information relevant to each of their divisions. Feedback from those Members who attended the session have been positive, some have been quoted below:

- "A wonderful treasure hoard"
- "Amazed at the documentation County Council had access to"
- "We were shown around by our impressively knowledgeable Archivist, which truly added to the experience"

Thanks to those Members who were able to take part and for providing insightful feedback. For other Members who were unable to attend but would like to visit Archives please contact Laura Cotton directly on location.com

Pilot visits to other areas of the organisation, open to all Members, will be advertised in due course. For more details or suggestions for areas you would like to know more about please contact <u>democracy@buckscc.gov.uk</u>

MEMBER ZONE

Please don't forget to check Member Zone for all updates <u>https://intranet.buckscc.gov.uk/member-zone/training-and-resources/member-briefings/</u>

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