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Becoming a councillor

Who is it for?

Prospective councillors who wish to enhance their understanding of their role within modernised local government and to improve their effectiveness as an elected representative.

What are the objectives?

To aid prospective councillors in understanding the best approach to operating as a councillor within modernised local government.

What will it achieve?

At the end of the session, colleagues will have:

- ◆ Enhanced their understanding of modernised local government
- ◆ Reviewed the duties of a local councillor
- ◆ Developed their skills for effective operation within a council.

What does it involve?

This short interactive workshop will cover the following aspects:

09.00-09.30 – Arrival & coffee

Introduction as a councillor

Learning aims & peer networking:

What are the major barriers and concerns regarding becoming a councillor?

The election process

11.00-11.15 – Coffee break

Know your council

The way that the Cabinet & Executive works

Overview & scrutiny

Regulatory duties—licensing & planning

Standards & code of conduct

12.00-12.30 – Lunch

Leadership & development:

Political skills framework

Working with schools to reach children & young people

Engaging 'hard to reach' groups

15.00-15.10 – Tea break

How the Council is financed—how the District gets its money

Local Government Ombudsman

Representing the future: The report of the Councillors' Commission

16.30 – Review & close

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