

Bolsover District Council

Meeting of the Standards Committee on 19th April 2022

Member Training Attendance November 2021 to March 2022

Report of the Portfolio Holder for Corporate Governance

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PURPOSE/SUMMARY OF REPORT

To provide the Standards Committee with information relating to Councillor attendance at training events.

REPORT DETAILS

1. Background

- 1.1 Part of the Terms of Reference of the Standards Committee is to oversee Member Training including the attendance of Members at courses. This was in relation to matters affecting their conduct and probity including relevant information provided to newly elected District Councillors.
- 1.2 At the Standards Committee meeting held on 8th November 2021, Members received a report, which provided information on Members attendance at training between May 2021 and September 2021. The Appendix attached to this report advises Committee of internal training undertaken by Members for the period November 2021 to March 2022.

2. Details of Proposal or Information

2.1 For Standards Committee to monitor and oversee Member training as set out at Appendix 1 to the report.

3. Reasons for Recommendation

3.1 For the Standards Committee to oversee Member Training, including the attendance of Members at courses.

4 Alternative Options and Reasons for Rejection

4.1 There are no alternative options as the report is for information only.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

That Standards Committee note the information and statistics for Member attendance at training between November 2021 and March 2022 as attached at Appendix 1 to the report.

Approved by Councillor Duncan McGregor, Portfolio Holder for Corporate Governance

IMPLICATIONS:

Finance and Risk: Yes No

Details:

The Member Development Budget should cover the cost of any external trainers required to deliver any training identified for the year and any sessions Members attend externally. Additional conferences that Members attend can be unexpected costs and it is important that these are identified with the Governance Team as early as possible.

On behalf of the Section 151 Officer

Legal (including Data Protection): Yes No

Details:

Essential training to cover the legal obligations and responsibilities of Members and the Council is included in the Member Development Programme as part of induction and with regular refreshers. Subjects such as data protection, safeguarding, code of conduct, will be addressed bi-annually with committee specific training on an annual basis or as needed.

On behalf of the Solicitor to the Council

Staffing: Yes No

Details:

Training delivered in house adds to the workloads of officers across the Council, however, as much notice as possible will be given to minimise impact.

On behalf of the Head of Paid Service

DECISION INFORMATION

Is the decision a Key Decision? A Key Decision is an executive decision which has a significant impact on two or more District wards or which results in income or expenditure to the Council above the following thresholds: Revenue - £75,000 <input type="checkbox"/> Capital - £150,000 <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <i>Please indicate which threshold applies</i>	No
Is the decision subject to Call-In? <i>(Only Key Decisions are subject to Call-In)</i>	No

District Wards Significantly Affected	None
Consultation: Leader / Deputy Leader <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Executive <input type="checkbox"/> SLT <input type="checkbox"/> Relevant Service Manager <input type="checkbox"/> Members <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/>	Details: The Member Development Working Group receives regular updates and coordinates the Member Development Programme.

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DOCUMENT INFORMATION	
Appendix No	Title
1	Members attendance at training courses held internally between November 2021 and March 2022.

Background Papers <i>(These are unpublished works which have been relied on to a material extent when preparing the report. They must be listed in the section below. If the report is going to Executive you must provide copies of the background papers).</i>