



**AGENDA ITEM: 5**

**MEMBER DEVELOPMENT  
COMMISSION:**

**19 September 2013**

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**Report of: Borough Solicitor**

**Relevant Managing Director: Managing Director (People and Places)**

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**SUBJECT: MEMBER TRAINING – SUMMARY OF EVENTS HELD 2012/13**

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Wards affected: Borough wide

## **1.0 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT**

1.1 To provide an update on Member training undertaken during 2012/13.

## **2.0 RECOMMENDATION**

2.1 That the update be noted.

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## **3.0 BACKGROUND**

3.1 The Member Development Commission are kept informed periodically of the training and development undertaken by Members of the Council.

3.2 The Corporate and Environmental Overview and Scrutiny Committee are kept informed of the work of the Member Development Commission through the Notes of its meetings.

## **4.0 CURRENT POSITION**

4.1 During 2012/13 Members have attended events covering a variety of subjects related to their role as elected Members and community leaders.

4.2 Appendix 1 summarises events attended by Members under the Protocol for Members Attending Conferences/Courses during 2012/13 and presents information on the cost and location of training undertaken.

4.3 The various 'in - house' training sessions arranged for Members have proved very successful and Members have commented on how informative and helpful the training has been.

## **5.0 CONCLUSION**

5.1 Development of elected Members in their role as effective community leaders is important and the training undertaken by Members reflects the Council's commitment towards Member training and its response to emerging legislation.

## **6.0 SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS/COMMUNITY STRATEGY**

6.1 On-going Member Development gives support to Members in discharging their responsibilities and in their wider community role.

## **7.0 FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS**

7.1 There are some financial / resource implications arising from this report in respect of the training of Members, however these will be met using existing resources.

## **8.0 RISK ASSESSMENT**

8.1 This item is for information only and makes no recommendations. It therefore does not require a formal risk assessment and no changes have been made to risk registers as a result of this report.

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### **Background Documents**

There are no background documents (as defined in Section 100D(5) of the Local Government Act 1972) to this Report.

### **Equality Impact Assessment**

The decision does not have any direct impact on members of the public, employees, elected members and / or stakeholders. Therefore no Equality Impact Assessment is required.

### **Appendices**

1. Member Training – Summary of Events held 2012 – 2013.