Parish Council	Date	Comment
Wrightington (Yes – no suggestions)	27/6/06 – letter	The Council would like to thank you for the ACSeS Parish Toolkit which appears to be most useful. With regard to the provision of Training the Parish Council are of the opinion that this could prove very useful however, it would depend upon the cost implications for the Parish Council and the level of commitment required from Councillors as it can prove difficult for those with full time jobs and families to commit themselves. The Council look forward to more detailed information in relation to this suggestion in due course.
Hesketh with Becconsall (No)	4/7/06 – email	This Council considered your letter regarding the above at their July meeting. The Council has however opted to arrange such training, within the Parish, through the 'Lancashire Training Partnership' which all Councillors have signified they will attend. I would comment that your letter did concentrate the minds of Councillors on the need for training, something I have struggled with since being appointed.
Bickerstaffe (No)	July 2006 – phone call	Arthur Gore rang, he had received the Toolkit in the post. With regards to training he will be attending a meeting on Monday and will pass the information on. He is also attending a Local Government Admin Course, which covers most of the training in the Toolkit, which he mentioned was very helpful. Further phone call 2/8/06 Constitutional training not required.

Aughton (Yes – similar format to Code of Conduct Seminar)	18/8/2006?	At our last Parish Council Meeting held earlier this week, it was felt that some training would be helpful for members particularly if it was offered in the same form as the annual Seminar at Edge Hill College for Code of Conduct training. Parish Councils, through their membership of the Lancashire Association of Parish & Town Councils, are offered training for a reasonable fee through the Lancashire & Merseyside County Training Partnership on most subjects. However, training on particular constitutional matters would benefit some Councillors. Thank you for enclosing copies of the ACSeS Parish Toolkit which I have not seen before but will be a useful reference. However, I have only glanced through the document but have noted that some of the guidance may be 'best practice' but it is not 'the law', eg 'Guidance for Parish Councils on Communication Matters' – Page 15. No doubt this will be discussed by the Parish Clerks when they get together later in the year.
Burscough		No response
Dalton (Yes – no suggestions)	Email 31/7/06	More than happy to accept constitutional training so long as dates and times are convenient they would endeavour to attend. Found the sessions organised by WLDC at Edge Hill extremely helpful. Found the lecture last year less entertaining than the scenario approach used previously. The smaller groups allowed for more interaction between Councillors and brought the added value of networking.

Downholland (No – initially)		The Council did not initially feel that specific Constitutional Training was needed, but I wonder whether you could elaborate on your thoughts on this? We have, I think, a fairly robust set of Standing Orders and Financial Regulations based on the SLCC/NALC model and I hope to undertake further training at a personal level to attain the CiLCA qualification. How do you see your proposed training in this context?
Great Altcar		No response
Halsall		No response
Hilldale		No response
Lathom		No response
Newburgh (No demand but if majority view then yes)	7/8/06	Newburgh Parish Council is functioning in an efficient and proper manner and at this stage, we have not identified any demand for constitutional training. However, we are conscious of the importance of this subject and if the majority of Parish Councils express an interest, then we would support in principle, the development of a training package.

North Meols (No)	2/8/06	Considered by Parish Council 1/8/06. Agreed that any training provided would be a duplication of training currently provided by NALC and CAPTC. The Parish Council is satisfied with the level of training it now receives.
Parbold (Yes – no suggestions)	Email 31/7/06	As Dalton
Rufford	24.8.06	The Parish Council have still not come to any decision on this matter.
Scarisbrick		No response
Simonswood		No response
Tarleton		No response
Up Holland		No response

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