**Member Development Commission**

**Membership**  See Appendix at Section 4.1A

**Functions**

(1)

(a) To update the “Member Training and Development Strategy” and act as ‘Champions’ for Member Development.

(b) To continue to develop and support processes to identify member training needs and to prepare a Training Plan for each Member.

(c) To ensure that all Members are given equal opportunities to attend Training courses/seminars, including IT training, in line with their responsibility as Councillor and that appropriate training records are kept.

(d) To monitor the expenditure of appropriate budgets.

(e) To evaluate and monitor Elected Member training and development undertaken.

(f) To ensure that each Councillor takes ownership of his/her training and development and ‘Member Development’ appears as a regular item at Group meetings.

(g) To consider future development of the Member Development website.

(2)

(a) In order to give effect to the augmented Member role proposed within the Sustainable Organisation Review, to examine how cross-party scrutiny and development of strategy could be strengthened via either existing or new committee arrangements, reporting to Executive Overview and Scrutiny and (then) to Council by April 2020. Such activity to include the option of engaging external specialist advice with relevant expenditure being contained within the budget provided.