Proposed Member Induction programme and Member Development Programme 2015/16

Post Election Induction Programme

Session and content	Date, venue and time	Delivered by
Mandatory sessions for all Members		
IT Training sessions for all Members Equipment training and meeting key officers Compulsory prior to collection of WBC IT equipment – pilot Members may not require it	11 May 2015 Shaw House Five sessions across the day	Kerry Taylor, HR
Additional specific training – to be agreed following pilot of new equipment	ТВА	Kerry Taylor, HR
Mandatory sessions for new Members		
Welcome to West Berkshire Council An introduction to Local Government & West Berkshire Council including an introduction to role as Corporate Parent	11 May 2015 Council Chamber 10am or 2pm with lunch	Chief Executive Corporate Directors Heads of Service
Surviving the first three months – what Members really need to know A guide to the roles and responsibilities of being a Councillor at WBC Security and registration with the Information Commissioner An explanation of Freedom of Information and Data Protection issues	13 May 2015 Council Chamber 2pm or 6pm	Head of Strategic Support Head of Legal Services Democratic Services Manager Members Services Officers Information Management Officer



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Introduction to Local Government Finance The national framework and local requirements An introduction to Performance Management West Berkshire's Performance Framework mad Member's roles and responsibilities	1 June 2015 Council Chamber 2pm or 6pm	Finance Strategic Support	
Mandatory sessions for new Members (all Members welcome)			
The Rules – Code of Conduct	15 June 2015 Council Chamber 2pm or 6pm	Head of Strategic Support Head of Legal Services Democratic Services Manager Members Services Officers	
Mandatory sessions for all Members appointed to Planning Committees			
An introduction to the Planning Process An overview of legislation and the planning process	18 May 2015 Council Chamber 6pm	Planning Legal Services	
Mandatory sessions for all Members appointed to Licensing Committees			
An introduction to the Licensing Process The Licensing Act, Gambling Act and Members' roles in hearings	23 June 2015 Council Chamber 5pm followed by Licensing meeting	Senior Licensing Officer Legal Services.	
Mandatory sessions for all Members appointed to Appeals Panel			
Your role in Appeals A guide to Human Resources and Home to School Transport Appeals and Revenues and benefits discretionary powers	8 June 2015 Council Chamber 6pm	School Admissions Team Head of HR	



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Introduction to Equalities – Mandatory for all Members Definitions, legislations and its relevance to West Berkshire	21 May 2015 Shaw House 2pm or 6pm	Rachael Wardell / external provider?
Working with Partners An introduction to Partnership working and key partners at WBC Community Safety An introduction to the West Berkshire perspective	4 June 2015 Council Chamber 2pm or 6pm	Chief Executive Head of Strategic Support LSP Chairman Safer Communities Partnership Manager/Team
Health and Wellbeing An introduction to the Health and Wellbeing Board and Clinical Commissioning Group	21 September 2015 Council Chamber 6pm 28 September 2015 Committee Room 1 2pm	Head of Public Health
Risk Management and Civil Contingencies An introduction to Risk Management and the Emergency Operations Centre at West Berkshire Council	7 September 2015 Committee Room 1 6pm 14 September 2015 Council Chamber 2pm	Risk Manager Civil Contingencies Manager



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The changing world of communications A guide to local and social media	5 October 2015 Council Chamber 6pm 15 October 2015 Council Chamber 2pm	The Press Team
Introduction to the Communities Directorate A guide to statutory duties, performance requirements and West Berkshire partners Safeguarding – everybody's business Safeguarding for adults and children	11 June 2015 Council Chamber 2pm or 6pm	Corporate Director - Communities
Corporate Parenting	28 June 2015 Council Chamber 4pm followed by Corporate Parenting Panel	Corporate Director - Communities
Planning & Licensing Update	Ad hoc	Head of Planning & Countryside Head of Culture & Environment Protection
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Policy & Finance Update	21.10.15 - 6:00pm Council Chamber 4.11.15 - 2:00pm Council Chamber	Chief Executive Head of Strategic Support



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	12.04.16 - 6:00pm Council Chamber 20.04.16 - 2:00pm Council Chamber	Chief Executive Head of Strategic Support

The mentoring of new Members by existing Members to be arranged by the Groups.

