## Proposed Member Induction programme and Member Development Programme 2019/20

## **Post Election Induction Programme**

Session and content	Date, venue and time	Delivered by
Mandatory sessions for all Members		
IT Training sessions for all Members Training to be provided to all Members before collecting their WBC IT equipment	07 May 2019 Roger Croft Room/ Shaw House (TBC) Five sessions across the day	Kerry Taylor, HR
Introduction to Equalities – Mandatory for all Members Definitions, legislations and its relevance to West Berkshire	28 May 2019 Council Chamber 6pm Or 10 June 2019 Council Chamber 2pm	Head of Commissioning Equalities Officer Legal Services
Mandatory sessions for new Members (All Members welcome)		



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<ul> <li>Welcome to West Berkshire Council</li> <li>Introduction to Local Government <ul> <li>Introduction to West Berkshire Council</li> <li>Overview of directorates and services</li> <li>The bigger picture - partnerships</li> <li>Your role as a Corporate Parent</li> <li>The WBC workforce and the assistance you can expect.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Security and registration with the Information Commissioner</li> </ul>	07 May 2019 Great Hall Shaw House 6pm	Chief Executive Corporate Directors Heads of Service
<ul> <li>An explanation of Freedom of Information and Data Protection issues</li> <li>Surviving the first three months – what Members really need to know</li> <li>Your role including ward representation</li> <li>The roles of back benchers and Executive Members</li> <li>The democratic process in detail (Part I and Part II papers)</li> <li>What each committee does and how it operates</li> <li>What to expect at meetings.</li> <li>How does the Council meeting function including rules of debate, dress code, how to address colleagues</li> <li>Member/Officer relationships</li> <li>Dealing with enquiries from the public</li> <li>Outside Bodies</li> <li>Housekeeping – car parking, allowances</li> </ul>	09 May 2019 Council Chamber 2pm Or 13 May 2019 Council Chamber 6pm	Head of Strategic Support Head of Legal Services Democratic Services Manager Deputy Monitoring Officers Data Protection Officer
The Rules of Governance - Decision making and the law - The Council's Constitution - The Code of Conduct including Social Media Protocol - Declaration of Interests, Gifts and Hospitality - The role of the Governance and Ethics Committee in dealing with complaints		



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Introduction to Local Government Finance - How the Council is funded and how performance is reported. - The Medium term Financial Strategy - The Capital Strategy - The Investment and Borrowing Strategy	14 May 2019 Council Chamber 6pm0r03 June 2019 Council Chamber 2pm	Head of Finance and Property
<b>Safeguarding</b> - Everybody's business. Safeguarding for adults and children - Reference to County Lines – with Thames Valley Police - What to do if you become aware of an allegation	16 May 2019Council Chamber6pmOr19 June 2019Council Chamber2pm	Head of Adult Social Care Head of Children & Family Services Democratic Services Manager
Introduction to the Council's Policy Framework - West Berkshire 2036 - Council Strategy 2019/2023 - West Berkshire Local Plan - Economic Strategy - Housing Strategy - Building Communities Together - Parish Planning and the Devolution agenda	20 May 2019Council Chamber2pmOr04 June 2019	Strategic Support Planning Housing Building Communities Together Finance and Property



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- Property Investment Strategy	Council Chamber	
- The Corporate Programme	6pm	
Mandatory sessions for all Members appointed to Plannin	g Committees (All Members wel	come)
An introduction to the Planning Process - The planning process and legislation - Planning policy at the national level - The role of Members and Officers - The role of Ward Members and Executive Members - How planning applications are dealt with - Committee meetings, call ins, site visits - Planning Appeals	09 May 2019 Council Chamber 6pm Or 13 May 2019 Council Chamber 2pm	Planning Legal Services
Mandatory sessions for all Members appointed to Licensi	ng Committee (All Members wel	come)
	15 May 2019	
An introduction to the Licensing Process	Council Chamber	
- Overview of the Licensing Act 2003	2pm	Public Protection and
- Overview of the Gambling Act 2005		Culture
- The Members role and how Sub-Committees run	Or	Legal Services.
	20 May 2019	
	20 Way 2013	



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	Roger Croft Room	
	6pm	
Mandatory sessions for all Members appointed to Appeals P	anel (All Members welcome)	
	15 May 2019 Council Chamber 6pm	
Your role in Appeals A guide to: - HR disciplinary appeals (dismissal of employees) - Home to School Transport Appeals,	Or	School TransportTeam HR Strategic Support
- Council Tax Appeals	21 May 2019 Council Chamber 2pm	Legal Services Revenues and Benefits



## 2019/20 Member Development Programme

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Member Development Programme 2019/20			
<b>Chairing Skills</b> This training is designed to enable Members to consider all aspects of the Chairman's role and encourage them to devise practical ways of developing their performance in this area.	11 June 2019 Council Chamber 6.30pm	Mark Palmer, Development Director South East Employers	
Risk Management and Civil Contingencies An introduction to Risk Management within the Council and to the Emergency Operations Centre	June and July 2019 (repeat)TBC	Civil Contingencies Manager Strategic Support	
Communications - Different ways to engage with our communities - Why do we need the media? - How do we engage with the media? - What to do when contacted by the media? - Newspaper versus Broadcast - Local media – The picture	16 July 2019 Council Chamber 6pm	The Press Team	
<b>Corporate Parenting</b> An introduction to your role as a corporate parent.	25 June 2019 Council Chamber 4pm followed by Corporate Parenting Panel	Corporate Director - Communities	
Planning, Appeals & Licensing Update	Ad hoc	Relevant Heads of Service	



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Policy & Finance Update	14 October 2019Council Chamber2pm	Chief Executive Head of Finance Head of Strategic Support
	Or 21 October 2019 Council Chamber 6pm	
Policy & Finance Update	March 2020 Dates to be confirmed	Chief Executive Head of Finance
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<b>Corporate Programme</b> An introduction to the Council's Corporate Programme.	10 September 2019 Council Chamber 2pm0r16 September 2019 Council Chamber 6pm	Strategic Support Chief Executive
Health and Wellbeing	November 2019 TBC	Corporate Director Communities Health and Wellbeing Board Strategic Support
Scrutiny	January 2020 TBC	External Training
Complaints, Freedom of Information Requests, Data Protection and Case Work	February 2020 TBC	Strategic Support Waste Highways



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Education	April 2020 TBC	Children and Young People

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

