

MEMBER DEVELOPMENT PANEL

Thursday, 7th April, 2016

Present:-

Councillors Johnson, Turner, Wilkes and Winfield

Apologies: Apologies were received from Councillor(s) Waring

1. **ELECTION OF CHAIR FOR THIS MEETING.**

Resolved: That Councillor Turner be appointed as Chair for this meeting.

Councillr Terry Turner - in the Chair.

2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest stated.

3. **MINUTES OF A PREVIOUS MEETING**

Resolved: That the minutes of the meeting held on 1 October, 2015 be agreed as a correct record.

4. **UPDATE ON ICT**

Members received a presentation from the Council's ICT Operations and Development Manager.

Members were informed that thirty one Members were now using iPads with, theoretically, another twenty receiving them after the elections.

The issue of printing from iPads was raised and were advised that from 2017/18, new machines should allow printing to be done directly from the tablet.

The Chair stated that it should be made easier for iPads to connect to a Member's own printer.

The ICT Operations and Development Manager discussed Cyber security and data protection. It was agreed by the Members Development Panel that Cyber Security and Data Protection should be mandatory training for Members and the Council's Member Training and Development Officer agreed to add these to the list of required courses

Resolved: That the information be received and the comments noted.

5. **NEW MEMBERS INDUCTION 2016.**

Consideration was given to a report on the new Members Induction. Members were advised on the programme which was appended to the report.

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Members agreed the programme but suggested that it be assessed to make it more interactive for Members and also, to consider holding sessions in the evenings – possibly over a couple of weeks. These suggestions would be looked into by the Member Training and Development Officer.

In addition, data protection and cyber security would be added to the mandatory training programme for Members.

Resolved: That the information be received and the comments noted.

6. STRATEGY FOR ELECTED MEMBER DEVELOPMENT.

Consideration was given to a report on the Strategy for Elected Member Development 2016/17.

Members suggested that Scrutiny training should become mandatory.

With regard to attendance at training events, Group leaders should be notified who was in attendance from their groups.

Members were asked to accept the document for distribution following the elections.

Resolved: (i) That the Strategy for Elected Member Development 2016-17 be accepted
(ii) That the comments be noted.

7. URGENT BUSINESS

There was no urgent business.

COUNCILLOR TERRY TURNER
Chair