

<b>Report on</b>	Elected Member Development Working Group
<b>Date of Meeting</b>	7 June 2018
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<b>Is this report restricted for confidential business?</b>	Yes	
If 'Yes', confirm below the exempt information category relied upon	No	x

<b>1.0</b>	<b>Purpose of Report</b>
1.1	To receive and consider the report of a meeting of the Elected Member Development Working Group held on Wednesday 16 May 2017.
<b>2.0</b>	<b>Background</b>
2.1	The Council previously resolved to establish an Elected Member Development Steering Group to provide direction on member development needs and work towards the attainment of the Elected Member Development Charter.
2.2	The steering group Terms of Reference confirms that the business of the Working Group be reported through Policy & Resources Committee.
<b>3.0</b>	<b>Main Report</b>
3.1	The Report of the most recent meeting of the Elected Member Development Steering Group is attached as Appendix A for consideration and approval. The following issues have resulted from discussion at meeting May meeting:
3.1.1	<b>Charter Status Assessment:</b> This assessment was scheduled for Thursday 24 May 2018 but was agreed to postpone the assessment date until September 2018 to ensure availability of required participants.
3.1.2	<b>Individual Conference/Seminar/Training Budget</b> Members discussed possibility of transferring of individual conference/seminar/ training budget between party Members to permit those who have time to avail of training opportunities to do so and then share learning with party colleagues.
<b>4.0</b>	<b>Other Considerations</b>
<b>4.1</b>	<b>Financial, Human Resources &amp; Risk Implications</b>
	Financial: Not Applicable
	Human: Not applicable

	Risk Management: Not applicable
<b>4.2</b>	<b>Screening &amp; Impact Assessments</b>
	Equality & Good Relations Implications: Not applicable
	Rural Needs Implications: Not applicable
<b>5.0</b>	<b>Recommendation(s)</b>
5.1	<p>The committee:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Considers and approve the report of the Elected Member Development Steering Group meeting held on Wednesday 16 May 2018.</li> <li>(ii) Notes the postponement of Charter Assessment until September 2018.</li> <li>(iii) Consider recommendation of Elected Member Development Steering Group to bring a paper to Policy &amp; Resources to explore the scope for Conference, Seminar Training Policy allowing member allocations being transferred between party Members.</li> </ul>
<b>6.0</b>	<b>Documents Attached &amp; References</b>
6.1	Appendix A: Report of Elected Member Development Steering Group