

Report on	Elected Member Development Working Group
Date of Meeting	6 March 2025
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1.0	Purpose of Report
1.1	To receive and consider the report of a meeting of the Elected Member Development Working Group held on 19 February 2025
2.0	Background
2.1	The Council through the Elected Member Development Steering Group has Level 1 Charter Status for Elected Member Development and is working towards a review together with progressing to Charter Plus.
2.2	The steering group Terms of Reference confirms that the business of the Working Group be reported through Policy & Resources Committee.
3.0	Main Report
3.1	<p>The Report of the most recent meeting of the Elected Member Development Steering Group is attached, as Appendix A to this report for consideration and approval. The following issues have resulted from discussion at the 19 February 2025</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) That Members of Working Group liaise and Officers Liaise with Party Leaders to identify party champions to encourage participation in E Learning Courses available. (ii) That the training as detailed in the report be progressed. (iii) That the Elected Member Development Working Group Council recommend the adoption Roles and Responsibilities of Councillor, Committee Chair and Chair of Council, appendix b, with a view to issuing same to Members taking up roles of responsibility post Annual General Meeting 2 June 2025.
4.0	Other Considerations
4.1	Financial, Human Resources & Risk Implications
	Financial: not applicable at this point

	Human: Not applicable
	Risk Management: Not applicable
4.2	Screening & Impact Assessments
	Equality & Good Relations Implications: Not applicable
	Rural Needs Implications: Not applicable
5.0	Recommendation(s)
5.1	<p>The committee consider and approves the report and recommendations of the Elected Member Development Steering Group meeting, and actions contained, held on 19 February 2025</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) That Members of Working Group liaise and Officers Liaise with Party Leaders to identify party champions to encourage participation in E Learning Courses available. (ii) That the training as detailed in the report be progressed. (iii) That the Elected Member Development Working Group Council recommend the adoption Roles and Responsibilities of Councillor, Committee Chair and Chair of Council with a view to issuing same to Members taking up roles of responsibility post Annual General Meeting 2 June 2025.
6.0	Documents Attached & References
6.1	<p>Appendix A: Report of Elected Member Development Steering Group Appendix B: Roles and Responsibilities Councillor, Chair and Committee Chair</p>