

CONSTITUTION & DEMOCRATIC SERVICES COMMITTEE

Date of Meeting	Wednesday 17 th October 2018
Report Subject	Member Development and Engagement Update
Report Author	Democratic Services Manager

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

It is the practice for this committee to receive a progress report on the Member Development and Engagement events which had been organised. This report details events which have been held since the last report on this topic, on 21st June 2018.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1	That the Committee notes the progress with Member Development and Engagement events since the last report.
2	That if Members have any suggestions for future Member Development and Engagement they are invited to contact the Democratic Services Manager to discuss them.

REPORT DETAILS

1.00	EXPLAINING OUR APPROACH TO MEMBER DEVELOPMENT AND ENGAGEMENT
1.01	Following last year's elections, we had an Induction Programme. At previous meetings of the committee, a progress report on the Member Development and Engagement events which had been organised subsequently was submitted. It is the intention to provide a similar update to each meeting of this committee.
1.02	<p>Since the last meeting on 21st June, we have held the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Tuesday, 10th July 2pm- 5pm Understanding Performance Monitoring workshop (33 attendees)• Friday, 13th July 10.30 am- 1pm First Medium Term Financial Strategy and Budget 2019/20 workshop (33 attendees)• Thursday, 19th July 10am - 12pm General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) briefing (22 attendees)• Monday, 23rd July 2pm -5pm Second Medium Term Financial Strategy and Budget 2019/20 Workshop (42 attendees)• Wednesday, 5th September 6pm – 7.15pm Budget Briefing (combined budget workshops 1 & 2 for those who have been unable to attend the day time sessions.) (5 attendees)• Monday, 10th September 5pm – 6.30pm General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) briefing for those unable to attend the morning session. (7 attendees)• Monday, 17th September 2pm -5pm Corporate Parenting and Autistic Spectrum Disorder (ASD) Awareness workshop (16 attendees)• Tuesday, 18th September 2pm -5pm Third Medium Term Financial Strategy and Budget 2019/20 workshop (24 attendees)• Tuesday 2nd October, 6pm Budget Briefing (workshop 3 for those who have been unable to attend the day time session.) (7 attendees)• Friday 5th October 10am. Budget Workshop for Corporate Resources Overview & Scrutiny Committee Members. (15 attendees)

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monday 8th October 2pm. Budget Workshop for Education & Youth Overview & Scrutiny Committee Members.(14 attendees) Wednesday 10th October 10am. Budget Workshop for Social & Healthcare Overview & Scrutiny Committee Members. Wednesday 10th October 2pm. Budget Workshop for Organisational Change Overview & Scrutiny Committee Members. Thursday 11th October 10am. Budget Workshop for Environment Overview & Scrutiny Committee Members. Friday 12th October 10am. Budget Workshop for Community & Enterprise Overview & Scrutiny committee Members. Monday 15th October 11am GwE Workshop for Education & Youth Overview & Scrutiny Committee members.
1.04	Members at a meeting of Social & Health Overview & Scrutiny Committee have asked that training on Domestic Violence Awareness be made available to Councillors. The Welsh Government had required all staff to undertake an e - learning package. This was adapted to be made available to Members who were notified on 6 th July.
1.05	Members are also reminded that in addition to the Welsh language training offered through Coleg Cambria, they are welcome to participate in the staff Lunchtime Welsh Conversation Group, which meets on Wednesdays. Welsh Language Awareness briefings were organised but had to be postponed. They will be rearranged. The intention is to offer morning, afternoon and evening sessions.

2.00	RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS
2.01	There is a small training budget which can be accessed if necessary: most development sessions are provided using the Council's own officers.

3.00	CONSULTATIONS REQUIRED / CARRIED OUT
3.01	None

4.00	RISK MANAGEMENT
4.01	The provision of information through workshops and briefings contributes to effective risk management.

5.00	APPENDICES
5.01	None.

6.00	LIST OF ACCESSIBLE BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS
6.01	<p>Reports of the Democratic Services Manager on the Induction Process and Member Development and Engagement to the Constitution & Democratic Services Committee at the quarterly meetings and associated minutes.</p> <p>Contact Officer: Robert Robins, Democratic Services Manager Telephone: 01352 702320 E-mail: robert.robins@flintshire.gov.</p>

7.00	GLOSSARY OF TERMS
7.01	None