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AILG 2020 Elected Member Training Programme Modules 1 & 2

Commencing in January & February 2020

To All Meeting Administrators/Corporate Services Staff

Please note that the AILG are delighted to announce the commencement of its 2020 Elected Member Training Programme commencing in January and February 2020 with Module 1 & Module 2 of its training programme.

Please note that Module 1 of the 2020 AILG "Elected Members Training Programme" will take place in January 2020 on the following dates and venues.

• **Thursday, 23rd January 2020: Hotel Kilkenny, College Road, Kilkenny**

(for Councillors whose parent Council is within the area of the Southern Regional Assembly)

• **Saturday, 25th January 2020: Mullingar Park Hotel, Dublin Road, Mullingar**

(for Councillors whose parent Councils are within the area of the Northern & Western and the Midlands & Eastern Regional Assemblies)

Module 1 Training Programme is entitled;

"GDPR – An updated briefing for Elected Members on the operation and implications of GDPR"

The General Data Protection Regulations came into force in May 2018 and in the intervening period local authorities and Elected Members have been managing the implementation, compliance and challenges of GDPR. This training module will give all Elected Members an updated briefing, with up-to-date knowledge on the operation of GDPR in relation to Elected Members and their interactions with their parent council but also in their own right as data controllers. Councillors receive and send vast amounts of data, much of which is sensitive and personal, in the course of their representational work with the public and this training day will give all Elected Members guidance on best practice on the operation of GDPR.

Please note that **Module 2** of the 2020 AILG "Elected Members Training Programme" will take place in February 2020 on the following dates and venues.

• **Thursday, 13th February 2020: Hotel Kilmore, Dublin Road, Cavan**

(for Councillors whose parent Councils are within the area of the Northern & Western and the Midlands & Eastern Regional Assemblies)

• **Saturday, 15th February 2020: Dooley's Hotel, The Quay, Waterford**

(for Councillors whose parent Council is within the area of the Southern Regional Assembly)

Module 2 Training Programme is entitled;

“The Development Plan Making Process – A briefing for Elected Members”

Module 2 of our 2020 AILG Elected Members Training Programme will be delivered in conjunction with the Office of the Planning Regulator and will build on the first planning training module delivered by the OPR in October 2019 which provided members with an introductory overview of the planning system to help elected members understand the planning process and the components and interrelationships between the parts of the process operated by the elected members and officials as well as exploring in more detail the statutory duties and responsibilities of the members.

Module 2 to be delivered in February 2020, will build on module one with a specific focus on the development plan-making process and how elected members work within the regulatory framework and bringing together a wide range of views from statutory consultees, the observations from the public and outputs from environmental assessments in arriving at policy decisions that are consistent with wider regulatory and policy requirements and that will be robust in the event of legal challenge.

Full Training Day Programmes (for both modules) will be issued shortly.

The primary rules relating to attendance at the seminars are the same as has applied to AILG training over the past five years:

- **Where a Councillor attends a training event other than that designated for her or his parent Council, travelling expenses will be paid at the shorter of the two distances;**
- **Councillors may attend a training seminar on a Saturday which is not in their designated area but only to a maximum of two such attendances in the calendar year. This applies to both newly elected and re-elected candidates: a maximum of two out of area Saturdays in the calendar year.**
- **Given the tight timeframes involved in sanctioning attendance retrospective sanction can be assumed on an exceptional basis.**

Please could you inform your elected members of the above dates and venues and please place on your council agenda for your next meeting.

If you have any further queries please contact me at 01 - 6106100, mobile 086 - 8236386 or email at t.moylan@ailg.ie

Kind Regards

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