

## **LALC Training Bulletin—March 2025**



#### Welcome to our monthly training bulletin.

Please share this with your councillors and other staff.

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## Picking up contact information when booking places

If you have set your councillors up on the portal, you can now select their details from a drop-down list when booking a place on one of our courses. If you do not have your councillors set up, the drop-down list will be blank and you will have to type their details in manually. Please ensure that the email address is correct, otherwise they will not receive the automated email reminders.

#### Mentoring

Although we offer New Clerk training, LALC may also be able to offer one to one mentoring for new clerks. This usually consists of a number of phone or video conference sessions providing support and guidance as required. Sessions are charged at £20 plus VAT per hour. Contact us for enquiries.

## **Internal Audit**

LALC can offer an Internal Audit service for its councils. This will consist of a mid-year audit to go through your governance in depth, and a light-touch audit at year-end enabling you to confidently sign off the AGAR. When you request an audit, we'll contact you to discuss what you need, agree the terms of service with you and then put you in touch with your internal auditor.

All our internal auditors are experienced clerks who will follow the guidance and process as per the Practitioners' Guide (Section 4—Best practice guidance for internal audit).

Contact us

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Course	Description	Date(s)	Location
Councillor Induction & Refresher	Aimed at councillors with or without any experience, covering topics such as:	8th May 18:00—21:00	Zoom
	<ul> <li>The role of the council and councillors</li> <li>Legal obligations and the employer role</li> <li>Finance · Risk management</li> <li>Code of conduct</li> <li>Declarations of interest</li> </ul>	28th May 18:00—21:00	Woodhall Spa Parish Council Office 17 Stanhope Avenue Woodhall Spa LN10 6SP
	<ul> <li>Community engagement</li> <li>Transparency code obligations</li> </ul>	8th July 13:00—16:00	LALC Office Dunholme Old School Market Rasen Road Dunholme LN2 3QR
Effective Meetings	Ideal for new clerks and an excellent refresher for existing clerks, covering:  Agendas  Apologies  Interests  Role of the Chair & Clerk  Standing Orders  Public Participation  Recording & Broadcasting  Confidential Matters  Minutes  Annual Parish Meetings  Annual Parish Council Meeting  Common Pitfalls	22nd May 13:00—16:00	Zoom
New Clerk's Induction	The New Clerk's Induction day covers the key points and duties for the Clerk's role.	Awaiting new dates.	

Course	Description	Date(s)	Location
JADU	Webmaster Tony Shaw will be providing short bite-sized themed sessions on specific functions of the JADU website (for those councils who use the free LCC website).	***	
JADU: Agendas and minutes—How to post them on the website		2nd May 10:00—11:00	Zoom
JADU: Announcement and news items—How to use them		9th May 10:00—11:00	Zoom
JADU: Homepages—What they are and how to build them		16th May 10:00—11:00	Zoom

Introduction to Planning – National
Planning Policy Framework, delivered by:
Andrew Towlerton of Andrew
<b>Towlerton Associates.</b>



Description	Date	Venue
The government published the new version of the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) in December 2024. This is at the heart	2nd April 18:00—19:00	Zoom
of the government's 'blitz' of planning reforms, especially as the NPPF sets out the government's planning policies for England and how these are expected to be applied.  This webinar will outline the key aspects of the government reforms contained in the NPPF and more generally that will have implications for local councils and explore how they are likely to work in practice.	10th April 18:00—19:00	Zoom

Course	Description	Date(s)	Location
Sexual harassment and other new legislation	October 2024 saw the introduction of new statutory obligations for Councils to prevent sexual harassment of their employees, not just from within the Council but also members of the public. This includes the need to update policies and procedures, consult with staff, conduct essential training for employees and councillors, and take 'reasonable steps' to protect the Council from claims of harassment at an Employment Tribunal.  Chris Moses from Personnel Advice & Solutions Ltd will also be overing the following that are in the Employment Rights Bill:  1. The right to claim Unfair Dismissal from day one. 2. Increased statutory sick pay for low earners, including part time clerks, community centre staff, landscapers and litter pickers. 3. Abolition of zero hours staff, which could affect zero hours seasonal grass cutters. 4. Removal of the ability of Councillors to contact Council staff outside of working hours.	14th May 10:00—11:00	Zoom

Course	Description	Date(s)	Location
Misuse of social media as a tool to intimidate and harass employees	Anything published on Facebook or other Social Media is automatically in the public arena, whether or not it is in a closed group, and abusive/offensive comments concerning employees of a Council can result in legal action against the Council.  Chris Moses (Personnel Advice & Solutions Ltd) will address:  1. The Council's liability for the conduct of individual members' Social Media posts.  2. The Council's ability to manage unacceptable conduct by either employees or members and the relevance of the Ledbury authority.  3. Dealing with bullying and harassment.  4. Responding to the effects of unacceptable conduct on the health of Employees.  5. Potential criminal convictions under the Malicious Publications Act 1988 and Protection from Harassment Act 1997.	26th June 10:00—11:30	Zoom
The Essentials of being a Good Employer	Generally Councillors do not become Councillors to manage the Council's employees. However this is an essential part of the job, and one which can become a serious and costly problem if mismanaged.  Chris Moses provides a comprehensive review of both the practical and legal considerations for Councils in their role as employer, including:  1. Conducting a successful recruitment exercise. 2. The legal requirements of inductions. 3. Producing legal Employment contracts that suit the needs of the Council. 4. Managing Sickness and Absenteeism. 5. Dealing with Grievance and Disciplinary issues.	2nd July 10:00—11:30	Zoom

# Check out the Chris Moses podcasts produced as part of the Civility & Respect project



**Podcast #1** — **Building an effective personnel committee**: Chris explains the importance of ensuring local councils have an effective personnel committee, what the responsibilities of the committee are and gives an overview of the critical issues.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QXhfwMoVJ1g

**Podcast #2** — **Recruitment:** Chris covers the critical considerations for councils about recruitment.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DOMDep nWJU

**Podcast #3** — **Handling grievances:** Chris covers the critical considerations for councils about handling grievances. This is an introduction to the subject and should be viewed alongside current grievance policies.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QPj4d8t2T1o

**Podcast #4** — **Handling disciplinary situations:** Chris covers some of the critical considerations for councils about handling disciplinary situations. This is an introduction to the subject and should be viewed alongside current grievance policies.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=m64iq42W2Xo

**Podcast #5** — **Appraisals:** Chris covers some of the critical considerations for councils about appraisals. This is an introduction to the subject.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1XEUWe1YZgM

**Podcast #6** — **Sickness and absence:** Chris covers some of the critical considerations for councils concerning sickness and absence management. This is an introduction to the subject. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=I6PVM0W1dmE

# **Finance**—delivered by:

All sessions held via Zoom 10:00—11:40am unless otherwise specified\*



Course	Description	Date(s)
VAT for VAT registered councils	For clerks, finance staff and councillors from councils that are VAT registered, who wish to develop their knowledge.	1st May, 10:00 24th June, 10:00
	This session explains when and how VAT registered local councils charge VAT, when they can reclaim it and when they can't. Essential for any council contemplating major building projects.	
Finance for Councillors	This session is for councillors only and is designed to give them a greater understanding of their duties with regard to the council's finances.	24th April, 10:00 3rd June, 10:00 10th July, 10:00
	Topics include: Roles and responsibilities; setting a budget and precept; Financial control; The Annual Governance & Accountability Return; Internal and external audit; How VAT applies to local councils	
New clerk's finance	This session is for inexperienced clerks in their first few months and is designed to give them an overview of a council's year, along with a basic understanding of the RFO's role.	26th March, 10:00 8th May, 10:00 17th June, 10:00 17th July, 10:00
	Topics include: Roles and responsibilities; Setting a budget and precept; Internal control; The Annual Governance & Accountability Return; Internal and external audit.	
VAT—Partial exemption	For clerks, finance staff and councillors of councils that lease or hire out land and buildings such as village halls, community centres, meeting rooms, sports facilities or markets, who need to understand when their council is at risk of not being able to reclaim VAT.	19th June, 10:00
	Essential for any council contemplating major building projects, or incurring significant expenditure on running these facilities. Intended for those who already understand the rules of VAT and need to work out whether their council can reclaim VAT in relation to its use of land.	

Contact LALC to book Parkinson Partnership training—these cannot be booked via the LALC website

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Course	Description	Date(s)
Introduction to VAT (VAT for unregistered councils - VAT126)	For clerks, finance staff and councillors from councils that are not VAT registered, but reclaim VAT using Form VAT126. This session explains how VAT affects local councils. Essential for any council contemplating major building projects.	27th March, 10:00 29th April, 10:00 5th June, 10:00 15th July, 10:00
	<ul> <li>Topics include:</li> <li>How VAT law applies to local councils</li> <li>Where to find the law and guidance</li> <li>Business and non-business activities</li> <li>Understanding whether sales are taxable or exempt from VAT</li> <li>When a council must register for VAT</li> <li>When VAT can be reclaimed</li> <li>Partial exemption</li> <li>Reclaiming VAT when using grants and donations</li> </ul>	
Procurement Act 2023	For anyone involved in procuring goods and services, preparing tenders or entering into contracts on behalf of local councils. This session introduces the new rules of the Procurement Act 2023, which will now come into force on 24 February 2025 and replaces the Public Contracts Regulations 2015.	22nd April, 10:00 12th June, 10:00
	<ul> <li>This session is an introduction to the basics of procurement for local councils:</li> <li>Inviting quotes</li> <li>Producing specifications and tender documentation</li> <li>Achieving competition and value for money</li> <li>Managing contracts.</li> </ul>	
Internal controls	This session give councillors and clerks an understanding of the need for internal controls and how they work, with practical examples and case studies.	2nd April, 10:00 28th May, 10:00 23rd July, 10:00
	<ul> <li>Topics include:</li> <li>Roles and responsibilities</li> <li>Financial risks</li> <li>Purpose of internal controls</li> <li>Case studies</li> <li>Examples of controls</li> <li>Review of internal controls</li> </ul>	

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Course	Description	Date(s)
Budgeting	This session is aimed at officers of parish & town councils, who are involved in preparing and monitoring their council's budgets.  Topics include:  Setting a budget and precept  Contingencies and reserves  How the council tax base affects the budget  Inflation  Budget monitoring	22nd July, 10:00
The role of internal audit	This session explains the role of the internal auditor in providing assurance to the council that it has sound financial controls.  Topics include:  Legislation and guidance Roles and responsibilities Internal controls How the council appoints an internal auditor Scope of internal audit Reviewing internal control Internal audit reports	Awaiting new dates
Year end and audit—councils over £25,000	This session is aimed at councils that spend between £25,000 and £200,000 a year and prepare simple accounts on a receipts and payments basis. It is also relevant for councils under £25,000 that choose not to exempt themselves from external audit, as well as for and councils that regularly spend over £200,000 and are already comfortable with preparing income and expenditure accounts.  Topics include:  Closing the accounts  Assets and borrowing  Reviewing internal control  Internal audit  The Annual Return  Electors rights  Audit  Publication requirements	Awaiting new dates

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Course	Description	Date(s)
Year end & transparency— councils under £25,000	For officers of councils that spend and receive less than £25,000 a year, who want to understand how to prepare and publish their council's Annual Governance & Accountability Return to comply with the Accounts & Audit Regulations, as well as publishing the information required by the Transparency Code for Smaller authorities.	Awaiting new dates
	Topics include:  Closing the accounts  Exemption from external audit  Internal audit  Reviewing internal control  The Annual Return  Electors rights  Transparency and publication requirements	
Income & expenditure accounts (for larger councils)	For officers who want to understand how to prepare their council's Annual Governance & Accountability Return on an income and expenditure basis (mandatory for councils regularly spending over £200,000) and comply with the requirements of the audit process.  This session explains how to convert receipts & payments accounts to income & expenditure accounts, how this affects the Annual Return and the timing of year-end activities and the audit process, enabling you to complete all the relevant steps correctly.  Topics include:  Closing the accounts  Debtors and creditors  Assets and borrowing  Internal audit  Reviewing internal control  The Annual Return  Electors rights  Publication requirements	25th March, 10:00

## **Council Communications**

All sessions held via Zoom. 1.5-2 hours. £30 plus VAT (pre 31st March)/£35 plus VAT (from 1st April).



Course	Description	Date(s)
Communicating with your community part 1: creating a communications strategy	Every local council should have a communications strategy, setting out its communications priorities, aims and goals. In this session, we will consider how your council could create an effective communication strategy, that is sustainable and supports your council. A strategy that considers your council's human and financial resources.	31st March, 9:30 12th May, 9:30
Communicating with your community part 2: engaging with your community	This session will focus on putting your council's communication plan into action: how your council could connect with the community it represents. Considering the ways your council can communicate effectively and build conversations. Providing tools and techniques to start engaging and getting messages across.	14th April, 9:30
How councils can recruit a more diverse pool of local councillors	How can you find and encourage a more diverse pool of people to stand or be co-opted as town or parish councillors? It is increasingly hard to find people who are willing to put their names forward either at election time or to be co-opted. Explore effective ways councils and councillors can engage people, building up awareness and interest in the work of the council, in order to better promote and demystify the role of a councillor.	16th April, 9:30
How councils can more effectively engage with young people in their communities	Councils often find it challenging to connect with young people. In this session, we will define "young people" and consider the issues important to them. Exploring effective ways to engage online and offline, we will also offer insights on forming partnerships with local youth organisations.	6th May, 9:30
Dealing with difficult people and conversations in our local councils	Handling professional relationships within local councils is critical, but it can be tough dealing with challenging people and situations. This session discusses practical techniques for managing difficult conversations and situations.	8th May, 9:30
Boosting Your Council's Identity: How to Promote Your Council Effectively	Exploring what brand identity means for parish and town councils, why it matters, and how to create a clear and consistent identity that reflects your council's purpose and values. Introducing practical strategies for promoting your council through effective messaging, digital and traditional communication channels, and community engagement.	31st March, 12:00 17th April, 13:00 13th May, 14:00

## **Book Breakthrough Communications training via:**

https://breakthroughcomms.co.uk/calc-training-events/

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Course	Description	Date(s)
Get the most from local and regional media	Local newspapers, magazines, regional TV, and radio offer local councils a way to communicate with residents. However, dealing with journalists and the media can be intimidating. In this session we will consider how to establish positive relationships with journalists. How to write impactful press releases. Ensure that your council gets regular and positive coverage in your local media.	30th May, 9:30
Crisis communications for local councils	A crisis could strike at any point. Anything from flooding to a meeting going viral. There are many ways in which you could find yourself in the eye of the media storm. This session takes participants through the detail of preparing for any crisis. Passing on expert tips and guidance on being prepared. On the effective steps your council could take should the worst happen.	9th April, 9:30
Social media part 1: Getting started with social media for local councils	Social media is a great tool for councils to use to improve their communication. In this session you will learn the basics and how to get started right. We will focus on creating a social media strategy and the basics of Facebook. Our goal is to share with you time-saving tools and techniques. Hopefully, this will help you and your council to be more confident using social media.	15th May, 13:30 1st July, 9:30
Social media part 2: Advanced social media strategies and tactics for local councils	Councils often use different social media platforms to connect with the community. This session explores a wide range of social media platforms. There will be a focus on how to get the most from key social media platforms. Exploring the ways of ensuring that social media supports your council to achieve its goals and aims. We will also introduce you to social media advertising.	26th March, 9:30 21st May, 9:30
Councillors training: Social media skills for parish and town councillors	It has never been more important for councillors to understand social media. In the session we will go through the confusing world of social media communications. It is designed for both social media users and those new to it. During the session you will learn where to focus your time and effort. We will point out the pitfalls. Consider difficult situations. Most importantly we will help you as a councillor to get the most from social media.	16th May, 18:00

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Course	Description	Date(s)
Emotional intelligence and resilience in practice for clerks, councillors and officers	This a practical workshop to help you thrive in your council role. We provide council officers and councillors with an understanding of where our behaviour comes from, we consider what resilience means in the context of our council roles and how to build emotional intelligence. We'll explore council-focused scenarios and how best to respond to each of them.	4th April, 9:30
Councillors training: Chairing council and public meetings effectively	The effective chairing of meetings is a good skill for a councillor to have. This session is for councillors that have been recently elected. It is also aimed at those wanting a refresher. During the session we will consider how to effectively prepare for meetings. How to get the most out of the meetings you chair and dealing with tricky situations.	7th April, 18:00
Canva Part 1—Getting started	Canva is a design tool that can be used for free. It allows you to quickly create posters, newsletters, and other physical documents. You can also create images and videos for social media and websites. This session is for people who have never used Canva before. We will go through the basics and show you how to get the most out of the free version. Our goal is to get you started with Canva and to help your Council to communicate better.	2nd April, 9:30
Canva Part 2—Advanced	During the session we will focus on the advanced features of Canva. This session is for experienced users of it. In part 2 of our Canva training we will show you how your Council can get more out of it. For instance, creating complex designs and a brand for your Council. We will also cover integrating Canva with social media. There will be a particular focus on creating social media videos and using the scheduling tools.	30th April, 9:30

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Course	Description	Date(s)
Data Protection for councils Part 1: Foundations & theory	It is important that councils have the most up-to-date understanding of data protection legislation. They should also have a good grasp of their data protection obligations. This introductory session covers the theory and core principles of UK GDPR and other relevant legislation and explains what policies, practices and processes local councils need to have in place.	9th May, 9:30 11th July, 9:30
Data Protection for councils Part 2: Accountability and lawfulness	This session deep dives into how councils demonstrate accountability with UK GDPR, considering the different lawful bases for the processing of personal data. Also how to create the policies and documents required for local councils. We will explore the requirements of the published Privacy Notice, how to create Legitimate Interest Assessments and Data Protection Impact Assessments.	23rd May, 9:30 18th July, 9:30
Data Protection for councils Part 3: Data subject rights and information security	In this session we consider how to deal with data subject rights requests, including Subject Access Requests (SARs). We explore the steps to take to ensure you are compliant and consider what exemptions may apply. There is also an introduction to information security for local councils and what this means in practice.	11th April, 9:30 6th June, 9:30 15th August, 9:30
Councillors training: Data protection training for parish and town councillors	This session clarifies a councillor's legal responsibilities to themself and the council. We will guide you on the right procedures and best practice. We will also Introduce Freedom of Information and the implications it has for councillors.	12th May, 18:30 21st July, 18:30
Freedom of Information for local councils: obligations, procedures and exemptions	This course examines the obligations of local councils regarding Freedom of Information (FOI). We discuss the necessary policies and procedures. How your council could ensure awareness among officers and councillors about FOI. Consider the steps to follow when managing an FOI request including the use of exemptions.	28th April, 9:30 20th June, 9:30

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Al delivered by:	BREAKTHROUGH COMMUNICATIONS	
Description	Date	Venue
Breakthrough Communications will be delivering three 90 minute workshops specifically for Lincolnshire.		
The sessions will take councils from AI theory to best practice in communications and community engagement.		
There will also be a bespoke workbook to accompany each session.		
Each session is £35 plus vat per delegate, however should you individually book and attend <b>all three</b> LALC will offer you a discount and invoice you £70 in total giving you the 3rd session <b>free</b> .		
Part 1 (of 3) - An Introduction to AI in Local Councils	3rd June 14:00—15:30	Zoom
Part 2 - Using AI for Internal Council Communications	24th June 14:00—15:30	Zoom
Part 3 - Using AI to boost Community Engagement	22nd July 14:00—15:30	Zoom

LALC Summer Conference £45 plus VAT	Summer Conference 2025	
Description	Date	Venue
	16th July 9:30—16:00  (Refreshments from 9:00)	Venue  Epic Centre Lincolnshire Showground Grange-de-Lings Lincoln LN2 2NA
More detail to be announced later.  This is a new style of conference for LALC and we hope you find the day interesting and informative		
See you there.		

Courses delivered directly by LALC or partners

CiLCA	Lincolnshire Association of Local Councils	years	CiLCA COGNISED TRAINER
Description	Date(s)	Fee	Location
Introductory session available for candidates to decide whether they are ready to pursue this qualification. To obtain CiLCA it is advisable that you have at least 12-months' experience of local government procedures. This is a Level 3 qualification equivalent to A' Level standard and you will need approximately 200 hours to complete your portfolio.	Awaiting new date	Introductory session is free	LALC Office Dunholme Old School Market Rasen Road Dunholme LN2 3QR
To attend the formal CiLCA training sessions (below), the LALC fee applies. This fee includes 6-months' mentoring.		£275 plus VAT	
When you are ready to register for the CiLCA qualification, the SLCC fee will apply. (Payable direct to SLCC).		£450 (no VAT)	

FTF sessions are held at the LALC Office: Dunholme Old School, Market Rasen Road, Dunholme, LN2 3QR

CiLCA Day 1 (FTF): LO1—LO10	Awaiting new dates
CiLCA Day 2 (FTF): LO11—LO20	Awaiting new dates
CiLCA Day 3 (FTF): LO21—LO30	Awaiting new dates

## Remote sessions are all held via Zoom

CiLCA Day 1 (Remote):	
CiLCA Day 2 (Remote):	26th March, 10:00—13:00
CiLCA Day 3 (Remote):	23rd April, 10:00—13:00
CiLCA Day 4 (Remote):	4th June, 10:00—13:00

## Offerings from LALC partners

## **Dispute Resolution Programme**

Personnel
Advice &
Solutions Ltd

(Chris Moses)

Personnel Advice & Solutions Ltd has produced a Dispute Resolution Programme aimed at councils struggling with employment issues. The purpose of the programme is to help councillors understand their role as employers, the employment laws that affect how they carry out that role, and practical steps to address employment disputes. The programme consists of three separate 30 minute Zoom recordings that can be sent to the council, and then distributed to all councillors for them to watch in their own time.

For further details contact <a href="mailto:p.d.solutions@zen.co.uk">p.d.solutions@zen.co.uk</a>

Module	Description	Fee
1—Awareness	Helps councillors and employees understand their role as employers and managers and understand what they can and cannot do. It explains the unique working environment that makes town and parish Councils very different from other employers, and how that environment is prone to disputes.	£150 plus VAT
2—Legal issues	Explains what a Council's legal obligations are, the need to comply with statutory guidelines, and the current legal framework that determines how disputes can be addressed in town and parish councils.  It addresses: The causes of conflict and disputes; What legal action can be taken against councils and councillors who mismanage employee disputes; Understanding the ACAS Guidelines and requirements of the Localism Act 2011 for resolving employee disputes and Code of Conduct complaints.	£150 plus VAT
3—Practical issues	Helps Councils to work within the spirit of the ACAS Guidelines to resolve disputes between councillors and employees, as well as fully comply with all of their legal obligations. It discusses various informal options to resolve the problem. Plus if the matter has to be submitted to the Monitoring Officer, it helps Councils to effectively support employees through that process.  Including: The importance of employment procedures that are fair and transparent, right for small organisations and understood by all parties, as required by the ACAS Guidelines; Understanding the difference between a Grievance and a Code of Conduct complaint; Steps to support an employee whose health is affected by a dispute; Supporting an employee to make a balanced, evidenced and professional complaint to the Monitoring Officer, if necessary and appropriate.	£150 plus VAT
Ad-hoc Zoom session	We can also conduct a Zoom meeting (30 – 60 minutes), with Councils to discuss the points covered by these modules.	£250 plus VAT

# Cemetery compliance and management (2 part)—delivered by:

£35 plus VAT



	2 Crematorium Mariagement	
Description	Date	Venue
Course overview:  Local Authorities' Cemeteries Order 1977 (LACO) General powers of management Compliance Registers and records Granting and extending exclusive rights of burial Consent Avoiding disputes Burials; depth, shallow graves Administration processes Grave digging – procedures, preparations, backfilling Memorials Creating burial space Exhumation Transfer of exclusive rights of burial  All the topics listed above will be covered over the 2 session course  The training is suitable for: Cemetery staff at all levels, Those with a responsibility for cemeteries but who are not involved in their day-to-day management.	Session 1 of 2 6th May 9:15—12:30  Session 2 of 2 7th May 9:15—12:30	MS TEAMS—link to be circulated by the presenter

Play areas—Routine Inspectors course (non exam) delivered by: £78 plus VAT	The Play Inspection Co.	
Description	Date	Venue
<ul> <li>Covering:</li> <li>The benefits of play</li> <li>Injuries occurring on playgrounds</li> <li>Legal responsibilities</li> <li>Inspection techniques for basic equipment types</li> <li>The inspection procedures of their verifying employer</li> </ul>	13th May 9:30—16:00 SOLD OUT— Contact LALC in case of cancellations	Washingborough Sports Pavilion Washingborough Playing Fields Fen Road Washingborough LN4 1AB
This is a <b>non-exam</b> course. The Play Inspection Company will issue a Certificate of Training to all participants who complete this course.		

Play areas—Routine Inspectors course (with exam) delivered by: £78 plus £130 RPII exam fee - plus VAT	ANA 94/0	The Play Inspection Co.
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<ul> <li>Covering:         <ul> <li>The benefits of play</li> <li>Injuries occurring on playgrounds</li> <li>Legal responsibilities</li> <li>Inspection techniques for basic equipment types</li> <li>The inspection procedures of their verifying employer</li> </ul> </li> <li>At the end of the day delegates will take the Register of Play Inspectors International (RPII)         <ul> <li>Routine inspector exam, which would qualify the delegate to conduct daily/weekly inspections on playground equipment; this could be for their own site/s or for other sites.</li> <li>There is no conflict of interest.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		Washingborough Sports Pavilion Washingborough Playing Fields Fen Road Washingborough LN4 1AB  Exam to be taken at:  Station Road Recreation Ground Station Road Heighington LN4 1QJ

First Aid at Work—delivered by Medrock Training Limited £78 plus VAT	MEDROCETRAINING	
Description	Date	Venue
Upon completion participants will receive a certificate, in recognition of demonstrating competence in Emergency First Aid at Work.  The certificate is valid for 3 years.	10th June 9:30—16:00 Limited places available	Dunholme Old School 8 Market Rasen Road Dunholme LN2 3QR
If you've done this course before, please check your certificate in case it has expired/is due to expire soon. If so, here's your opportunity to get it renewed.	28th October 9:30—16:00 Spaces available	

Health & Safety/Risk assessments for councils—delivered by Worknest £78 plus VAT	wo	rknest
Description	Date	Venue
Join us for this interesting day which our H&S partners Worknest will be delivering on 'Health & Safety Awareness for Councils', followed in the afternoon by Health & Safety Awareness workshops which will allow delegates to produce their own Risk Assessments with guidance from Worknest.  Items expected to be covered are risk assessing meeting venues and events such as Remembrance and Christmas events as well as some of the employer duties that may face councils ensuring that employees and volunteers are safe.	29th May 9:30– 15:30	Great Gonerby Memorial Hall Belton Lane Great Gonerby NG31 8NB

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£25 plus VAT per course.		nimble	
Essential Skills			
Course	Description		
Anti-bribery essentials	<ul> <li>and advice on stayir</li> <li>you should be able</li> <li>Define bribery</li> <li>Understand the</li> <li>Recognise what</li> <li>Know the six pr</li> <li>bribery policies</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Understand the Bribery Act 2010 and the penalties for breaking the law</li> <li>Recognise what constitutes a crime under the Bribery Act</li> <li>Know the six principles organisations should follow when designing their bribery policies and procedures</li> </ul>	
Anti-money laundering essentials	identify and prevent be able to:  Describe what it  Understand UK what they cove  Explain how to	<ul> <li>Describe what money laundering is and how it is done</li> <li>Understand UK legislation and regulations regarding money laundering and what they cover</li> <li>Explain how to prevent money laundering</li> <li>Recognise the consequences of non-compliance with anti-money laundering</li> </ul>	
Customer service essentials	<ul> <li>'customer service to complaint resolution</li> <li>Understand the interactions</li> <li>Communicate r to face, and in v</li> <li>Provide a bette 'toolkit'</li> <li>Understand the</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>interactions</li> <li>Communicate more persuasively and effectively via the phone, video calls, face to face, and in writing</li> <li>Provide a better level of customer service by using your customer service skills 'toolkit'</li> </ul>	
Data Protection essentials	training for anyone this course, you sho Recognise why and society as a Understand rele penalties for br Work with infor	fair and effective data management is important to individuals a whole evant data protections legislation and regulations, along with the	

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Display Screen Equipment (DSE) workstation assessment essentials	This course addresses the health and safety requirements of DSE and advises on posture and safe working techniques. You will learn how to complete your own DSE risk assessment that you can provide to your employer. By the end of this course, you should be able to:  • Understand the importance of DSE workstation assessment  • Identify whether you are a high, medium or low-risk user  • Recognise the effects of poor posture  • Adjust your posture so that you have a good posture while working  • Adjust your workstation to suit you  • Carry out a DSE risk assessment	
Environmental awareness essentials	This course addresses the environmental crisis and looks at what businesses can do to reduce their impact on climate change and other pressing environmental issues. By the end of this course, you should be able to:  Recognise the benefits of a greener approach to your working practices  Know how positive action in the workplace can make a difference to our environment  Take steps to reduce the negative impact your workplace can have on the environment  Make waste management choices that are better for the planet	
Equality, diversity and inclusion essentials	This course addresses threats to equality such as discrimination, harassment and victimisation, and looks at how you can promote fairness, diversity and inclusion at work. By the end of this course, you should be able to:  • Understand what is meant by 'equality', 'diversity' and 'inclusion', and recognise how they benefit us  • Identify who is protected by the Equality Act, and explain what happens if their rights are compromised  • Recognise discrimination and other unfair practices in the workplace and know how to act on them  • Understand what you can do yourself to promote equality, diversity and inclusion	
Fire safety essentials	This course highlights the essentials of fire safety awareness in the office environment and when working from home. It explores best practice fire safety procedures and provides an overview of the equipment required under fire safety regulations. By the end of this course, you should be able to:  • Understand employers' responsibilities under fire safety law  • Prevent fires by using the fire triangle theory  • Identify fire safety signs and appreciate the importance of knowing where they are in your workplace  • Identify fire safety equipment and understand how it should be used  • Recognise the need to periodically check fire safety procedures  • Carry out the fire safety procedures in place for your organisation	

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Freedom of information essentials	<ul> <li>This course addresses the essentials of the Freedom of Information Act, highlighting who it applies to and how to handle and respond to different types of requests for information. By the end of this course, you should be able to: <ul> <li>Recognise when and where the main provisions of the Freedom of Information Act apply</li> <li>Understand the types of information that will be shared in an organisation's publication scheme</li> <li>Make or handle requests for information in an appropriate way</li> <li>Understand the rights of individuals under the Act and the consequences of not complying with the legislation</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
Health and safety essentials	<ul> <li>This course provides an understanding of potential health and safety issues at work, the legislation surrounding it, and how to improve safety in your workplace. By the end of this course, you should be able to:</li> <li>Recognise what health and safety is important for individuals, employers and society as a whole</li> <li>Understand the frameworks of health and safety legislation</li> <li>Recognise the responsibilities your employer has for your health and safety</li> <li>Use a range of health and safety techniques and good practice to help keep yourself safe at work (and beyond)</li> </ul>	
Home working essentials	This course offers guidance on effective home working, and covers workspace set-up, safety at home, communicating remotely, and maintaining productivity. By the end of this course, you should be able to:  Recognise the characteristics of an effective home working environment  Develop and maintain safe home working behaviours  Maintain effective information security and data protection practices  Understand the important of good communication when working remotely  Identify practical strategies to increase your productivity  Recognise the importance of looking after your mental health and wellbeing	
Human factors essentials	This course explores the role and impact of human error in the workplace. You'll learn how to manage common 'error traps' and understand which Human Performance (HuP) tools you can use to mitigate error traps that can't be removed. By the end of this course, you should be able to:  Understand the main types of errors that humans make Identify key workplace error traps in order to remove or manage them Recognise which Human Performance (HuP) tools can be used to mitigate error traps that can's be removed	

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Information security awareness essentials	and explores best p work. By the end of • Recognise why • Identify secure • Protect informa • Improve your a	es the different threats to an organisation's information security ractices for keeping data safe, whenever and wherever you this course, you should be able to: information security is essential to organisations working practices to safeguard company data ation when working remotely and on mobile devise wareness of online risks and how to stay safe on the internet direport information security issues
Manual handling essentials	or lifting tasks, and the end of this cour <ul> <li>Recognise the period of the period of this cour</li> <li>Appreciate the</li> <li>Assess a range</li> <li>Plan moving an</li> </ul>	s manual handling risks, advises on how to properly plan moving looks at proper technique to be used when manual handling. By se, you should be able to: cotential risks of injury from manual handling tasks importance of keeping yourself and colleagues safe from risk of manual handling factors and take steps to reduce risks ad lifting tasks more effectively sique when handling loads—individually, as a team, and with place aids
Menopause essentials	This course helps you become more 'menopause aware' and overcomes the stigma. Menopause symptoms affect 75% of all women and yet there's still a widespread lack of understanding and reluctance to talk about it. It will help you recognise symptoms and understand the impact menopause can have on you and your workplace. By the end of this course, you should be able to:  Recognise how menopause affects women in different ways  Take steps to create a more supportive workplace for those experiencing menopause	
Modern slavery essentials	might suggest a vulue should be able to:      Appreciate the     Recognise the f     Spot signs of memore potential victime.      Understand the potential victime.	e measures available to punish perpetrators and support

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Personal safety essentials	This course seeks to improve personal safety awareness and provides tips and advice on how to keep yourself at work, at home, in public places and while travelling. By the end of this course, you should be able to:  Recognise the importance of confidence and preparation in staying safe Understand how reducing 'opportunity' for criminals increases safety Avoid situations and environments that may place you at greater risk Practice safe behaviours at work, home, in public, and while travelling Know what to do if you feel unwell or become a victim of crime	
Stress management essentials	This course explains what stress is, looks at ways to reduce stress and offers coping strategies to better manage stress levels. By the end of this course, your should be able to:  Understand and identify stress and why it can be detrimental for you  Identify stress and stressors in yourself and others  Reduce your exposure to stress  Develop your own Wellness Action Plan  Implement coping strategies in your work and personal life	
Team leadership essentials	This course explores what it means to be an effective team leader by examining leadership styles and the essential skills required to get a team to thrive under your directions. By the end of this course, you should be able to:  Understand your own leadership style Apply your knowledge of leadership styles in different situations Know how to build relationships and engage your team members Identify and employ effective team leadership skills and techniques	
Time management essentials	This course will help you claim back control of your time with easy-to-implement techniques that will help you better manager and organise your daily workload, making you more productive in your role and, by default, everyday life. By the end of this course, you should be able to:  Understand why good time management is important  Recognise common challenges to effective time management  Apply techniques to improve your own time management skills	
Working at height essentials	law. It demonstrate the Working at Heig and follow best prac you should be able • Recall which ty • Recognise your Height Regulati • Identify risks m • Plan a safe app	identify activities that are classed as work at height under the show employers and employees need to work together under h Regulations (2005) to implement safety measures, assess risks ctice for any work performed at height. By the end of this course, to:  Dee of activities classify as 'work at height' (WaH) employer's and your own responsibilities under the Work at lons 2005 (WaH)  Dest commonly associated with working at height roach to performing work at height and leaning ladders safely

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COSHH Essentials	<ul> <li>Every year, thousands of workers suffer from illnesses caused by hazardous substances in the workplace. By the end of this course, learners should be able to:</li> <li>Explain what COSHH is and why it's important in the workplace</li> <li>Identify and interpret the hazard symbols used in COSHH</li> <li>Recognise hazardous substances you might encounter at work and understand their risks to your health</li> <li>Use control measures and safe handling to minimise your exposure to hazardous substances</li> </ul>	
Infection Control Essentials	harmful microbes he online learning infections during t	s the fundamentals of how to slow the spread of those which can make us unwell. T  is aimed at anyone who might come into contact with their work. Reducing the spread of everyday illnesses is yone. We all want fewer periods of illness and less risk of on to others!
Unconscious Bias Essentials	Have you ever jumped to the wrong conclusion or misjudged someone you just met?  We all do it, with just about everyone we come across. We make snap judgements about people based on the very little information we know about them. And mostly, we do it without even knowing.  Our unconscious biases can have a big influence on how we feel about people and affect the decisions we make every day. Because these biases are often rooted in inaccurate or incomplete information, they can lead to unfair assumptions and poor decision-making, without us realising.  This course aims to increase your awareness of unconscious bias and give practical tips on how you can reduce the effect it has on your decisions, attitudes and behaviour.	

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Local (parish and town) council courses		
Course	Description	
Introduction to local councils	and is suitable for n activities to help yo end of this course, y • Understand the • Identify the cou • Appreciate how • Identify the prii • Recognise the o	reloped by Warwickshire Association of Local Councils (WALC) ew councillors and council officers. It includes a range of u develop your knowledge of parish and town councils. By the you should be able to: e role of the local councillor uncil's purpose of decision are made inciples of public life council's legal context w the council manages its money
Introduction to planning for local councils	and is suitable for n activities to help yo end of this course, y • What is plannir • Role of the Pari • What is control • Types of planni • Material & non	ng? sh Council led by planning ng applications -material considerations ncil recommendation tions
Understanding precepts	and is suitable for co or would like inform By the end of this co • What a precept • What a Parish O	reloped by Warwickshire Association of Local Councils (WALC) councillors, clerks and other officers who may be new to the role nation on what the precept is and how it works for the council. course, you should know:  It is and how a Parish Council receives it Council needs to do in preparation for setting it council can justify the money it seeks consulted
Human factors essentials	learn how to manage Performance (HuP) By the end of this compared the Understand the Identify key wo	s the role and impact of human error in the workplace. You'll ge common error traps and understand which Human tools you can use to mitigate error traps that can't be removed. Durse, you should be able to:  e main types of errors that humans make rkplace error traps to remove or manage them  h HuP tools can be used to mitigate error traps that can't be

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First Aid essentials	This course covers first aid provisions in low-risk workplaces. It provides top-line guidance on how employees can deal with some common accident and medical emergency scenarios.  By the end of this course, you should be able to:  Identify first aid support measures available in your workplace  Call for an ambulance and be prepared for the questions they'll ask  Recognise common medical emergencies and injuries that could occur in a low-risk workplace  Apply basic first aid principles if someone becomes suddenly ill or injured at work	
Mental Health essentials	This course aims to provide you with everyday tools to help you manage your mental well-being and become a more supportive and compassionate colleague.  By the end of this course, you should be able to:  Use the mental health continuum to assess your wellbeing and communicate how you're feeling  Use the five steps to wellbeing and circle of influence to help improve your wellbeing  Spot some of the signs of poor mental health in others  Take steps to create a more supportive workplace environment	
Neurodiversity at work essentials	This course explores how we can create a more neuro-inclusive culture at work. It highlights the benefits of neurodiverse teams, and highlights workplace challenges and reasonable adjustments that can be made to support neurodiverse employees.  By the end of this course, you should be able to:  Explain what is meant by the term neurodiverse  Recognise the benefits of neurodiversity at work  Identify how a typical work environment could significantly impact a neurodiverse employee's daily life  Support and implement small adjustments that could benefit neurodiverse employees in your workplace	
Working with volunteers essentials	legal considerations successfully.  By the end of this co  Identify the key  Describe the pr  Apply effective	he essentials of effective volunteer management, including key and different approaches to working with volunteers ourse, you should be able to:  If differences between volunteers and paid staff imary legal considerations when working with volunteers strategies to help support and manage your volunteers mportance of valuing and developing your volunteers

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Cyber security awareness: Basic	This course, developed by cyber security specialists Cyber Security Associates, is designed to give better insight into the day-to-day cyber challenges. Providing practical advice on safeguarding company and personal information at work and home and offering techniques for identifying potential or actual cyber-attacks.  By the end of this course, you should be able to:  Understand that cyber is more than just IT  Understand the concept of the Internet of Things  Have a better understanding of how data protection laws are changing  Explain the key differences between the outside and inside cyber threats and what constitutes these types of threats  Understand the importance of passwords and their security in defending	
	<ul> <li>Understand the importance of passwords and their security in defending information against a cyber threat</li> <li>Understand what makes up your digital footprint and how it can be used as a means of attack</li> <li>Remember ways to control and manage your digital footprint</li> <li>Identify ways to stay cyber safe while at work, at home and working on the move</li> <li>Know what to do if any of your accounts are compromised or hacked</li> </ul>	
Cyber security awareness: Password management	This course, developed by cyber security specialists Cyber Security A designed to provide clear and concise guidance on using passwords protection methods to keep your information and data safe and sec By the end of this course, you should be able to:  • Understand the definition of a password and where it originate • Be able to recognise what both common and vulnerable password like • Differentiate between a password and a passphrase • Understand how passwords can be attacked and breached • Identify that there are various other security measures in place password	and other cure. d from ords would look

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Cyber security awareness: Phishing	designed to enhance methods: phishing. details of informatic safeguarding.  By the end of this company of the end of this company of the explain why phospholited for the exploited for the examine the rist technique for a understand the each one can be	bed by cyber security specialists Cyber Security Associates, is a knowledge of one of the fastest-growing cyber attack Useful for anyone who works with digital devices and provides on security threats, attack methods, and tips and techniques on ourse, you should be able to: a definition and different types of phishing ishing attacks are used and how your digital footprint can be see attacks and social engineering purposes are of cybercrime and why phishing continues to be a key tool and attacks are different types of phishing attacks and how the complexity of the completely different way to respond to phishing attacks when at work and home
Cyber security awareness: Video conferencing	designed to examin and technology that By the end of this conferencing place.  Market Standard Conferencing place.  Know how to standard Conferencing platform	ped by cyber security specialists Cyber Security Associates, is enthe different methods of videoconferencing and the processes can be used to protect these services.  Durse, you should be able to: Thistory and evolution of video conferencing enthanged and software used for video conferencing entiferent types of threats and attacks against video atforms  Tay cyber safe when setting up and using your video conferencing enthanged entha

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Course	Description	
Standards in public life  Civility 8 Respect  IN COLABORATION WITH SLCC, MALE, OWN, COUNTY ASSOCIATIONS	working in local cou councillors.  Information is based Government Associ council's code of co	arily designed to support those elected or co-opted and/or ncils, to understand the principles of conduct expected of all d upon national model code of conduct produced by The Local ation but recognises that councillors must abide by your own nduct, and so also provides some generic support for those aderstand the behaviours expected of all councillors.
Respectful and positive social media for councils and councillors  Civility & Respect  IN COLLABORATION WITH SLICE, MAIL, OWN, COUNTY ASSOCIATIONS	This introductory module from Breakthrough Communications will consider the opportunities and risks associated with social media from a civility and respect perspective. It will explore a range of proactive and pre-emptive strategies councils and councillors can put in place to set themselves up for success. It will explore what to do if things go wrong and how to manage a range of scenarios from trolling to harassment and what practical steps you can take,	
Leadership in challenging situations for councils and councillors  Civility 8 Respect	This introductory module from Breakthrough Communications will consider different leadership styles in the context of your role at the council, exploring which styles we personally 'default' to and which styles can work effectively for different situations. It will also discover how to build, support and get the most from an effective and motivated team.	
An introduction to emotional Intelligence and personal resilience  Civility & Respect  NI COLLABORATION WITH SLCC, NALC, COVA, COUNTY ASSOCIATIONS	This introductory module from Breakthrough Communications will develop a better understanding of where our behaviour comes from and will consider what emotional intelligence and resilience means for us in the context of our roles within the council. There will be opportunities to explore role-focussed scenarios and consider how we might respond to them. It will also explore strategies to deal with and manage a range of situations.	

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An introduction to changing behaviours  Civility 8  Respect  N COLLABORATION WITH SLCC. NAIL, OVEN, COUNTY ASSOCIATIONS	Best-selling author and leading authority on resilience and behavioural agility, Liggy Webb, teaches us how we can rewire our brains to form new neural connections, freeing ourselves from pre-learnt behaviours to bring about positive change. By the end of this course, you should be able to:  Be aware of how habits and behaviours form  Understand the psychological habit loop  Identify and focus on what you want to change  Set yourself an action plan to make positive behavioural changes	
An introduction to resilience  Civility 8 Respect  N COLABORATION WITH SLCC. MALC. CHAV. COUNTY ASSOCIATIONS	Best-selling author and leading authority on resilience and behavioural agility, Liggy Webb, brings us the core principles and practical advice needed to build our personal resilience via positivity and the ability to successfully deal with change. By the end of this course, you should be able to:  Understand the fundamental principles of personal resilience  Be more aware of the benefits of being open and receptive to change  Think positively and view challenges more optimistically  Take personal responsibility and commit to positive action	
An introduction to behavioural agility  Civility & Respect  IN COLABORATION WITH SLCC. NALC. CVVV. COUNTY ASSOCIATIONS	Best-selling author and leading authority on resilience and behavioural agility, Liggy Webb, shows us how to reduce unhealthy stress and lighten our loads by adopting a growth mindset and embracing change. By the end of this course, you should be able to:  • Adopt a growth mindset and explore your potential  • Understand how to positively embrace change as an essential evolution for personal success  • Let go of unhelpful thinking and learn to manage uncertainty and complexity  • Tap into your dynamic capability and be bolder	
Mental health awareness  Civility & Respect  IN COLLABORATION WITH SLICE NAUL COURTY ASSOCIATIONS	This course has been developed by healthcare training experts, Espirita. It seeks to highlight the issues related to mental health disorders and ensure that learners are equipped with practical knowledge on how to recognise, manage and support those suffering from poor mental health—which could include themselves.	

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## **LALC Training Bulletin—March 2025**

After each training session you will be sent an email asking you to complete a short feedback form (**CLICK ON THE FEEDBACK LINK**). Please take the time to complete this. Without your feedback, we cannot assess the effectiveness of the training we provide.

If you're looking for training not currently on our schedule, please let us know.

## The LALC Annual Training Scheme (ATS): 1st April 2025—31st March 2026

**CORE** training is included in the ATS. This covers essential training that is common to all councils. Light refreshments e.g. tea/coffee are provided. Member councils will be invoiced £13.00 plus VAT per delegate to cover lunch for full day (in-person) events.

Councils who are not members of the ATS can still attend but additional charges apply (as per non-core training below).

**NON-CORE** training is not included in the ATS and an additional charge of £35 plus VAT per delegate for any morning/afternoon/evening session (including refreshments) will apply. There will be a charge of £78 plus VAT per delegate for an all-day in person event (including lunch and refreshments). An all-day remote session will be charged at £65 plus VAT.

Non-core charges apply to ATS and non-ATS members.

Please note that ATS charges are in addition to the LALC annual membership fees.

#### **Bookings**

Bookings should be made by the Clerk via the online portal, unless otherwise specified. When booking via the portal, **please ensure that delegate email addresses are correct**, otherwise they will not receive joining instructions. For those courses specifying 'contact LALC', email <a href="mailto:enquiries@lalc.co.uk">enquiries@lalc.co.uk</a>.
\*Please notify us if a delegate has specific dietary, learning or access requirements when booking.

#### **Cancellations**

- For part day courses please ensure we receive cancellations at least 48 hours in advance
- For full day events please ensure we receive cancellations at least 5 working days in advance, as we need to pre-order and pay for lunches

Due to persistent non-attendance at booked events, it is unfortunate that LALC have had to amend the way we impose our cancellation fees. All members are charged 50% of the training cost when insufficient notice is received (as above) for non-attendance at training events. No shows will be charged at 100% of the course fee. All charges are regardless of whether the council is a member of the ATS or not.

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