

Member Development Working Group

Terms of Reference

Purpose

The purpose of the working group is to ensure that elected Members are fully engaged in the formulation, monitoring and evaluation of Member development activities. It will support the vision and aims of the Member Development Strategy in order to continuously improve the competency of Leeds City Council elected Members.

As a sub-group of the Member Management Committee, the group has no decision-making powers. However, it will advise the Member Management Committee on appropriate courses of action and make recommendations to the Member Management Committee where appropriate.

Membership

The Group will comprise the following Members (one identified as Chair):

- Conservative -
- Green -
- Labour -
- Liberal Democrat -
- Morley Borough Independent - .

In the absence of a nominated Member, a substitute should attend if possible. The Group will be supported by officers from Democratic Services and other experts as appropriate.

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To uphold the aims of the Charter for Member Development and maintain Charter status through the following actions:

1. Formulating future policies and strategies for Member development.
2. Monitoring the implementation of the Annual Learning and Development Plan for elected Members.
3. Identifying individual and group learning needs and prioritising them accordingly.
4. Ensuring that learning programmes are prioritised effectively and reflect Council and national objectives.
5. Promoting learning and development opportunities through traditional and electronic communication methods.
6. Disseminating learning and development information to councillors within each political group.
7. Evaluating learning and development programmes and reviewing the outcomes.