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**KENT ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS**

# **COUNCILLORS' CONFERENCE 2018**

**Developing Partnerships!**



**(Including COUNCILLORS FOUNDATION Module Training for  
new and returning members)**

**West Faversham Community Centre, Tuesday 10th  
July 2018**

## **INTRODUCTION**

The Councillors' Conference 2018 is one of our established annual events which will be of interest to **all Local Councilors in Kent** regardless of experience or the size of their Council. This year's Conference will include a wide range of interesting and provocative papers designed to bring our members up to date and to allow them to engage with the key issues impacting on our tier of Local Government at a time of both challenge and opportunity. This year's sub theme of **partnership** acknowledges the key challenge for Local Councils as they work within new financial demands and legislation. The morning sessions will be of interest to all Local Councilors, but particularly those who are less experienced seeking a survey of topical issues. The morning will include presentations on key issues like borrowing, sources of funding. The event looks at partnership in the round and encourages seeking ideas and capacity from other sectors. The afternoon session builds on this awareness to look at developing greater capacity and professionalism in financial planning and sound management. This can be seen at the micro level where Local Councils need to operate within greater requirements for professionalism and transparency.

One innovation of the event is that some 50 delegates will be able to attend optional additional formal training consisting of an outline of basic legal and procedural knowledge required; which will then be consolidated with a practical workshop. The L & D foundation modules will be run in the morning and then repeated in the afternoon to allow delegates maximum flexibility. The modules will focus thematically on the key areas of law and procedure and related knowledge that a new councillor or one that requires a refresher course, needs to acquire, the emphasis will be on skills rather than just knowledge which will allow delegates to engage with the key areas of Local Council law and procedure. These will include: Roles and Responsibilities; Powers and Duties; Management and Meetings, The Council and the Community. The day is limited to 80 delegates with the opportunity for 25 of these delegates to attend the morning session training instead of the morning conference session and 25 other delegates attending the afternoon session training having attended the morning's papers. **If you wish to attend the training modules, please ensure that you select the correct options below.**

## **CONTRIBUTORS AND TUTOR**

**Chairman: Cllr Sarah Barker: Chairman KALC**

**Rachel Marshall Kent Police**

**Simon Ryan GEN2 Property Ltd**

**Sean Bone-Knell, KFRS**

**Terry Martin CEO KALC**

**A.N.Other; SALIX**

**David Buckett Financial Consultant KALC**

**Roger Macklen of Advanced Transport Research**

**Richard Styles Clerk of Ramsgate Town Council**

TUTOR: Clive Powell, KALC

**PROGRAMME: MAIN HALL COUNCILLORS' CONFERENCE 2018**

- 9.00 Arrival: Registration and Coffee: networking
- 9.30 **Chairman Cllr Sarah Barker Chairman of KALC welcomes you!**
- 9.40 **Engagement is good for you! Rachel Marshall Engagement Officer Kent Police** explains the value of building community partnerships In countering crime and terrorism: ideas and lessons for all of us.
- 10.05 **Forming Strategic Partnerships: Simon Ryan of GEN2 Property Ltd** discusses the emergence of powerful resources to support development and regeneration: a definite opportunity for Local Councils in Kent!
- 10.40 **Forming Social Capacity: Sean Bone-Knell KFRS** updates delegates on the value of social projects like raising awareness around dementia.
- [Comfort Break 5 mins: no refreshments]**
- 11.20 **You can afford it! Terry Martin CEO KALC** explores the advantages of borrowing for Local Councils and the process to ensure a rapid approval!
- 12.00 **Financing energy: A speaker from SALIX Finance Ltd** outlines a funding opportunity for Local Councils considering energy projects
- 12.30 **LUNCH [ALL DELEGATES PROCEED TO REFECTORY]**  
[Additional surgeries and stands]
- 13.40 **F201: Business Planning for Local Councils: [single module]**  
David Buckett *KALC Financial Consultant*
- 15.10 *Questions & Comfort Break*
- 15.20 **Moving on!: Roger Maklen of Advanced Transport Research** briefs delegates on transport initiatives & resources available to members.
- 16.00 **The Clerks view: Richard Styles Clerk of Ramsgate TC** explores the challenges & opportunities for Local Councils working in partnership.
- 16.30 **Depart**

**MORNING PRESENTATION:**

10-00 -11.20 C101: The Dynamic Councillor: A foundation MODULE

[Blocks will explore Roles and Responsibilities; Powers and Duties and Meetings]

11.20-11.25 Comfort Break

11.25-12.15 C111: The Dynamic Councillor: WORKSHOP

[A workshop exploring scenarios to consolidate the core topics in C101]

12.45 ***LUNCH [ALL DELEGATES PROCEED TO REFECTORY]***

**AFTERNOON PRESENTATION:**

13.40 -3.00 C101: The Dynamic Councillor: A foundation MODULE

[Blocks will explore Roles and Responsibilities; Powers and Duties and Meetings]

3.00 -3.05 Comfort Break

3.05- 4.30 C111: The Dynamic Councillor: WORKSHOP

[A workshop exploring scenarios to consolidate the core topics in C101]

**16.30 Depart**

## **LOCATION**

The venue is the Faversham West Community Centre at and is accessible from both the M20 and M2. The nearest railway station is Faversham. A detailed location map will be distributed with confirmation of booking.

## **COST**

**£72.00** (£60 + £12.00 VAT) per delegate from Town and Parish Councils in membership of the Kent Association, **£120.00** (£100+ £20.00 VAT) per delegate from Councils NOT in membership of the Kent Association. The cost is inclusive of morning refreshments and a buffet lunch. Conference papers and Course materials will be distributed on the day.

VAT registration number is 509 7509 27

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