Training Needs Analysis

As a result of the PDP process undertaken in 2008/09 together with those PDPs from the previous year that are still in place, a Training Needs Analysis has been developed to shape the 2009/10 Strategy. The information below sets out the main themes and issues emerging from the analysis of the data.

The overarching objective details the number of Elected Members that have requested the training and development and against these are specific actions which members have requested.

The Annual Member Learning and Development Schedule 2009/10 and Quarterly Member Learning and Development Programmes detail forthcoming specific events and resources available to address these priorities.

Overarching Objective	Key Areas						
OBJECTIVES FROM PDP ANALYSIS							
Leadership Development (1)	Leadership Skills	Priority Setting					
Scrutiny and Challenge (10)	Overview and Scrutiny Training	Update training – the role of Scrutiny and Cabinet					
Community and Local Leadership (22)	Community Engagement	Neighbourhood Working					
	Community Leadership	Setting up community groups					
	Partnerships and LSP	Partners and their roles					
CORPORATE IMPROVEMENT PRIORITIES AND OTHER CORE SKILLS							
Other Council meetings and related skills including Regulatory and functional areas (35)	Protocol updates	Legal knowledge/ processes					
	Development Control	Member Officer protocols					
	Protocol at Council meetings	Chairing meetings					
	Licensing and hearings	S106 Agreements					
	Countryside Policy	Political understanding/awareness					
Information and Communications Technology (ICT) training (17)	ICT skills training	Using e-mail					
	Guidance on use of laptops and blackberrys	Newsletter/leaflets					
	Online learning/ Learning Pool	•					
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Communication skills (8)	•	Communication	•	Public Speaking		
	•	Keeping in touch with constituents – web based	•	Questioning Skills		
Finance (4)	•	Understanding local government finance	•	Funding sources and grants for community groups		
General issues and knowledge (9)	•	Speed reading	•	Civic Training		
	•	Debating Skills	•	Influencing Skills		
	•	Back to the floor	•	Networking		
	•	Locating information	•	Media distinctions		
	•	Climate change	•	Waste transfer visit		