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POLICY BRIEF

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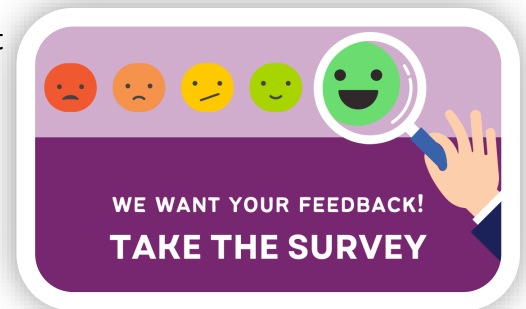
EAST MIDLANDS COUNCILS MEMBERSHIP SURVEY

East Midlands Councils (EMC) is keen to hear from its membership to help inform our upcoming Programme of events, services and support.

Feedback from both Councillors and Officers is key to ensuring that our work is tailored to the priorities of the sector and brings value to our membership.

This survey should take no more than five minutes to complete, and the feedback will help inform the scope of our services and wider support provided to our membership over the coming year.

SURVEY >



EMC Councillor Development Programme: New sessions added!

Following the success of our first sessions within this year's Councillor Development Programme, we're pleased to announce two new sessions:

Chairing Skills

Monday 3rd July

It is suitable for both chairs and vice chairs.

This 2.5 hour session has been developed for Councillors in the East Midlands, who are interested in developing their chairing skills in face to face, virtual and hybrid settings.

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Cyber Security Awareness

Monday 31st July OR Tuesday 26th September

A 1-hour briefing delivered via Teams with practical tools and information to help keep councillors safe on-line.

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LATEST UPDATES ON NATIONAL PAY

East Midlands Councils provides a route for communication between Local Authorities and the national employers for local government in the region.

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UPDATE ON NATIONAL PAY - GMB BALLOT

This week, GMB has informed the National Employers that it intends to conduct “a series of targeted disaggregated strike ballots for GMB members who are LGS ‘Green Book’ employees.

They are proposing to open the ballot in September, and discussions are ongoing regarding Craft ‘Red Book’ employees; we will confirm as soon as possible.

PAY AWARD FOR CORONERS

Agreement has been reached this week on the pay award for coroners.

With effect from 1st April 2023, local salaries and day rates for individuals derived from the JNC arrangements below should be increased by 3.5%. The new JNC figures are provided in the table

Detailed discussion will take place on potential terms of reference following on from the previous in principle JNC agreement that, subject to the terms of reference being agreed, there will be a joint update of the 2017 Korn Ferry Hay report. This would be with the intention of such work informing the pay negotiation for 2024.

Senior Coroner	1st April 2023
Range	£129,872 to £144,303
Part-time senior coroner	1st April 2023
Base salary	£22,200
Daily rate	£48-555
Area coroner	1st April 2023
Range	£96,527 to £111,002
Assistant coroner	1st April 2023
Daily rate	£417-£503

NATIONAL PAY—INDUSTRIAL ACTION BALLOT NOTICES FROM UNITE

Notices of industrial action ballots should now be arriving in councils/schools as Unite has confirmed it will be conducting formal ballots for industrial action of its Local Government Services ‘Green Book’ and Craft ‘Red Book’ members between 13th June and 28th July. Employers will be balloted on a disaggregated basis, which means strike action could be taken at each individual council/school where a turn-out of over 50 per cent is secured and if members vote in favour of strike action. **We await confirmation of GMB’s next steps and will keep you informed.**

DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME FOR ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH OFFICERS

Over 70 East Midlands Local Authority Officers from the Environmental Health Sector attended Leicester Racecourse for EMC’s Environmental Health Officer Development Programme. The event was very successful with excellent presentations from Andy Grimsey, Poppleston Allen Solicitors; Ian Stubbs, Home Office and Jim McManus, Executive Director of Public Health, Herts C C.

EMC Leadership

Chair: Cllr Martin Hill OBE
Vice Chair: Cllr Sarah Russell
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