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EAST MIDLANDS COUNCILS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

This morning, Councillors from across the East Midlands came together at the EMC Annual General Meeting.

At the meeting, colleagues from across the region discussed our regional priorities, heard updates on regional infrastructure investment, Asylum and Refugee resettlement and Workforce.

The meeting was also attended by East Midlands APPG Co-Chair Nigel Mills, MP for Amber Valley, as well as Lillian Greenwood, MP for Nottingham South.

The session also saw the appointment of new Political Group Leaders, as well as the Chair and Vice Chair's of East Midlands Councils, the Regional Migration Board, and the Regional Employers' Board.

The results of these appointments are as follows:

EMC Chair: Cllr Martin Hill OBE, Lincolnshire County Council

EMC Vice-Chair: Cllr Sarah Russell, Leicester City Council

EMC Vice-Chair: Cllr Tricia Gilby, Chesterfield Borough Council

Conservative Group: Cllr Phil King, Harborough District Council

Labour Group: Cllr Jewel Miah, Charnwood Borough Council

Liberal Democrat Group: Cllr David Bill MBE, Leicestershire County Council

Independent Group: Cllr Matthew Relf, Ashfield District Council

EMC Migration Board Chair: Cllr Alex Dale, Derbyshire County Council





EMC Employers' Board Chair: Cllr Kate Foale, Nottinghamshire County Council

HITTING THE GROUND RUNNING – NEW COUNCILLOR WORKSHOP

Following this morning's AGM, we were pleased to welcome a host of new Councillors to our New Councillor Workshop. This was an informal session designed to support newly elected members to help them "hit the ground running" in their new role.

The session allowed Councillors to discuss their experience so far as well as regional priorities and local challenges with new and experienced colleagues from across the region.



If you were unable to attend today's session, we have a range of Councillor Development Training and events available here:

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NOTTINGHAMSHIRE: TOUR OF BRITAIN'S FOURTH STAGE ROUTE REVEALED

The full route for the fourth stage of the 2023 Tour of Britain race in Nottinghamshire has been revealed.

The UK's biggest cycling race is due to pass through the county on 6 September. Riders will start from Sherwood Forest Visitor Centre and speed through several towns including Worksop, Retford and Southwell before finishing in Newark-on-Trent.

Last year an estimated 225,000 spectators lined the route to see the event in person. Some of the biggest names in cycling are expected to take on the 103.5-mile (166.6 km) route through Nottinghamshire. The stage will also pass through Harworth, Boughton, Bilsthorpe, Tuxford and Collingham, with two King of the Mountains climbs along the route - Kilton Hill in Worksop and Red Hill Lane between Wellow and Eakring.

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MIGRANT HELP 'BUILDING BRIDGES' CONFERENCE

Colleagues from East Midlands Councils' Strategic Migration Partnership were pleased to attend this week's 'Building Bridges' conference, hosted by Migrant Help.

The event celebrated the success of refugees and those who support them across the UK, highlighting the challenges which remain, and discussions around what work still needs to be done.

The insightful sessions allowed us to collaborate with both regional and national colleagues, and hear stories of success and best practice.

Migrant Help assists those affected by displacement, helping them thrive as individuals and find support elsewhere, whilst aiming to bridge community gaps and bring services and support together.

East Midlands SMP works closely with the Home Office, local authorities and VCSE in the East Midlands to coordinate and match people being resettled in the UK to appropriate accommodation and integration support in the region.



EMC Leadership

Chair: Cllr Martin Hill OBE Vice Chair: Cllr Sarah Russell Vice Chair: Cllr Tricia Gilby Conservative Group: Cllr Phil King Labour Group: Cllr Jewel Miah Liberal Democrat Group: Cllr David Bill MBE Independent Group: Cllr Matthew Relf Executive Director: Stuart Young

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