

## Councillors Training Programme 2026-2027

### 1. Introduction.

The Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021 outlines that: -

*A community council must make and publish a plan (a “training plan”) setting out its proposals in relation to the provision of training for—*

*(a) the councillors of the community council, and*

*(b) the community council’s staff.*

*(2) A community council must make its first training plan no later than six months after the date on which subsection (1) comes into force.*

*(3) A community council must make a new training plan no later than three months after each ordinary election of community councillors to the council.*

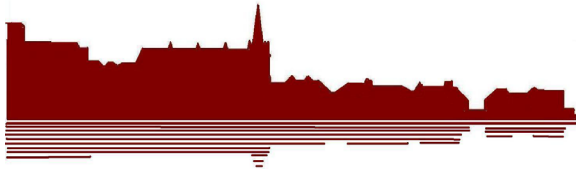
*(4) A community council must review its training plan from time to time.*

*(5) If a community council revises or replaces its training plan, it must publish the revised or new plan.*

2. The up-to-date Councillor Training Programme is attached at Appendix 1. The Council is asked to note and discuss the progress in the updated training programme.

**Background Papers:** None.

**Appendices:** Appendix 1 – Councillor Training Programme.



**Appendix 1**

<b>Llanrhidian Higher Community Council – Training Programme 2026/27</b>		
<b>Topic</b>	<b>Required</b>	<b>Timescale</b>
Code of Conduct	All Councillors / Clerk	Within 6 months of being elected
Understanding the Law	All Councillors	Within 1 year of being elected
Chairing Skills	All Chairs / Vice Chairs	Within 6 months of being elected
The Council Meeting	All Councillors	Within 1 year of being elected
Local Government Finance	All Finance Committee Members	Within 1 year of being elected to the Finance Committee
The Council	All Councillors	Once in the Council Term
The Councillor	All Councillors	Once in the Council Term
Effective Staff Management	All Members of Personnel Committee	Within 1 year of being elected
The Council as an Employer	All Members of Personnel Committee	Within 1 year of being elected
Advanced Local Government Finance	All Finance Committee Members / Clerk	Before the end of 2 <sup>nd</sup> Year of Council Term
Introduction to Community Engagement	Two Councillors	Once during the Council term
Community Engagement Part 2	Two Councillors	Once during the Council term
Health & Safety	Clerk / Two Councillors	Once during the Council term
Creating a Community Plan	Two Councillors	Once during the Council term
Information Management	Clerk / Two Councillors	Once during the Council term
Equality & Diversity	Two Councillors	Once during the Council term
Mediation and Conciliation	Clerk / Two Councillors	Once during the Council term



