



Title of Report:	NILGA Regional Induction Programme 2023
Committee Report Submitted To:	Corporate Policy & Resources Committee
Date of Meeting:	27 June 2023
For Decision or For Information	For Decision

Linkage to Council Strategy 2021-2025	
Strategic Theme	Cohesive Leadership
Outcome/indicators	Our elected members work collaboratively and make decisions on an evidence led basis and in line with its policies; Charter accreditation, 85% engagement with Member Development Programme
Lead Officer	Democratic & Central Services Manager

Budgetary Considerations	
Cost of Proposal	£1,100 + VAT
Included in Current Year Estimates	Yes
Capital/Revenue	N/A
Code	3101-62507 Conferences Courses
Staffing Costs	Within roles

Screening Requirements	Required for new or revised Policies, Plans, Strategies or Service Delivery Proposals.		
Section 75 Screening	Screening Completed:	Yes /No	Date:
	EQIA Required and Completed:	Yes /No	Date:
Rural Needs Assessment (RNA)	Screening Completed	Yes /No	Date:
	RNA Required and Completed:	Yes /No	Date:
Data Protection Impact Assessment (DPIA)	Screening Completed:	Yes /No	Date:
	DPIA Required and Completed:	Yes /No	Date:

1.0 Purpose of Report

- 1.1** The purpose of the report is to present a request from Northern Ireland Local Government Association (NILGA) for Council to financially contribute to the NILGA Regional Induction Programme 2023, at a cost of £1,100 + VAT (attached Appendix I). The request is being placed to all eleven Council's.

2.0 Background

- 2.1** At its Council Meeting held 6 June 2023, Council was provided with a copy of the NILGA Regional Induction Programme June-August 2023.
- 2.2** Council's Democratic and Central Services Manager represents Council on the NILGA Regional Development Network. The Network ensures a regional approach is taken to Member Development.

2.3 Charter Learning and Development

- 2.4** Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council was awarded **Charter in Learning and Development** in January 2023 and will be working towards obtaining [Charter Plus](#).
- 2.5** Council is committed to ensuring equal access to learning and development for all Councillors and has supported continued Learning and Development opportunities.

3.0 NILGA Annual Service Fee

In May 2022 Council approved a NILGA Annual Services Fee for 2022/23 of £46,844.00 + VAT.

Part of its commitment from Alison Allen, NILGA Chief Executive was stated as:

Elected Member Development: enhancing our existing work by working closely with individual councils and the Local Government Training Group to ensure added value and Elected Membership ownership of their future development needs. Additionally, working with the existing Elected Member leadership in NILGA to capture their experiences of their roles and working with political parties to use those experiences in preparing for roles/responsibilities in the new mandate. This work will include exploring barriers to and diversity in elected office.

- 3.1** Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council Elected Members have registered on the Training, and will be participating in the NILGA Regional Induction Programme.

4.0 **Recommendation**

It is recommended that Council contributes £1,100 + VAT towards the NILGA Regional Induction Programme 2023 (attached Appendix I).

NILGA Regional Induction Programme 2023

	Facilitators	Workshop Content	Guildhall Derry City	Greater Belfast	Digital Online Facilitation
Workshop 1: The Role of the Councillor	Tony Bovaird & Elke Loeffler Governance International	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Your Role: Representation, Community Leadership and Developing Council Policy / Corporate Management Political skills framework, key knowledge and skills to support you in your role NILGA Councillor Development Charter and Charter Plus Regional Programme for Councillor Development Code of Conduct and Standards (including Officer / Member Protocol) 	9th June 2023 11-1pm	16th August 2023 6-8pm	5th July 2023 6-8pm
Workshop 2: The Local Government Sector	Sonya McAnulla LG Finance Director	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Council functions, what councils do and don't do Local Government Finance Decisions and the Law Local Government Organisations 	3rd July 2023 4-6pm	3rd August 2023 6-8pm	6th July 2023 6-8pm
Workshop 3: Placeshaping (LG Activities and Systems)	Dr Gavan Rafferty Ulster University	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Understanding your role in place shaping Place Shaping Systems, what are they, why are they important, how to do them and what support is available: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Local Planning System NI Community Planning Performance Improvement Place Shaping Activities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regeneration Enterprise and local economic development City and Growth Deals 	24th July 2023 4-6pm	10th August 2023 6-8pm	22nd August 2023 6-8pm
Workshop 4: Local Government Related Challenges	Stratagem	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Working with the Draft Programme for Government Climate Action & Green Growth Emergency Planning and Community Resilience Cybersecurity and Online scams 'Cost of Living' crisis 	17th July 2023 4-6pm	17th August 2023 6-8pm	23rd August 2023 6-8pm
Workshop 5: Strategic Relationships	Stratagem	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> City and Growth Deal Partnerships Political Partnership Panel Community Planning Partnerships Policing and Community Safety Partnerships 	21st July 2023 11-1pm	24th August 2023 6-8pm	25th August 2023 6-8pm

Hosted by NILGA these Induction Workshops are open to all Elected Members. To register please email events@nilga.org

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