

FEEDBACK ON TRAINING & DEVELOPMENT

Attended: 25 Returned Feedback forms: 25

Objectives:

- Key financial concepts in Local Government
- The Budget Cycle
- Financial risks facing the council
- The role of Officers
- The role of Member

STRENGTHS

- Well attended
- Comprehensive presentation x2
- Kept to less than 1 hour
- Organised presentation with clear agenda
- Clear & concise
- Easy to digest x2
- James Deane speaks clearly & projects his voice well which is vital for people like me sitting at the back of the room
- Very clear presentation x2
- Questions well answered comprehensively
- Excellent slides
- Very good delivery from James Deane x2
- Very good timing and length of presentation
- Knowledge and data from James Deane x3
- The importance of members having input on the councils finances
- Excellent detail to understand finance
- Well set up and easy to follow
- Helpful slides – look forward to receiving them
- Clear answers to questions
- Excellent, clear visual slides x2
- Clarity
- Very informative x2
- A good overview which put into context the process
- Clear examples to explain each point
- Plenty of opportunity to ask questions x2

WEAKNESSES

- James speaking too fast
- Impossible to make notes and follow the presentation at the same time x3
- Shortage of seats
- Too much headline and not enough depth
- The event was reasonably well attended which meant there was a shortage of seats and tables
- Bit long winded in places – too much detail
- Some of the key facts unknown until 25 November
- We could have had the presentation slides in advance so not everything is off the cuff/missed

- A lot to absorb in a short space of time
- I would have found a paper copy welcome so I could have scribbled comments to remind myself
- As an experienced councillor there were no surprises but I did find the input of others interesting

OPPORTUNITIES

- Provide notes in advance – make sure they are comprehensive x2
- Less headlines and more meat
- Would have been good to have updates to show impact of chancellors announcements in early Oct, as to get a more up to date picture of implications of business rates
- Would be great to get slides at start of meeting to write notes on
- Hard copies of slides please

TRAINING SCORE

Poor	
Adequate	1
Good	2
Very good	11
Excellent	11