

TRAINING SESSION OUTLINE

Latest Developments in Local Government Finance

The sheer volume and frequency of changes affecting local government finance makes it difficult for finance officers, both corporately and in directorates, to be confident that they are aware of all the latest developments and how these relate to their particular role.

This one-day seminar is specifically designed to provide finance officers with an overview of current developments, and allow time to reflect upon their implications and to plan a response.

By the end of the day, participants will be able to:

- Be aware of the latest developments in local government policy, and how this may affect the role of the finance function
- Be aware of forthcoming financial reporting and accounting developments relevant to local government
- Spend time discussing and reflecting upon the potential impact of the various developments raised, and plan both a personal and corporate response

Who should attend?

This seminar is designed for all those working within the finance function of a local authority. The course is particularly important for accountants required to undertake Continuing Professional Development activities, and, as an integral part of the seminar, time will be provided for personal reflection and action planning.

About LG Futures

Public sector specialists, LG Futures delivers bespoke financial consultancy and training, with a particular focus upon local and central government. Our areas of expertise include:

- Improving financial management capabilities
- Strengthening strategic and financial planning
- Optimising value for money
- Maximising funding levels
- Assessing the impact of government policies
- Providing in-depth briefings on the latest financial developments

Since being established in 2004, we have worked with over 100 individual public sector organisations, and would welcome the opportunity to discuss how we could potentially support your organisation.

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Agenda

10 mins	Welcome and Introductions
80 mins	Topical Issues Update A survey of current issues in local government finance and funding Discussion and Reflection: Sharing current local issues and challenges
15 mins	Refreshments
60 mins	Accounting Update Technical update of local government accounting issues, including IFRS conversion
15 mins	Personal Reflection, action planning, seminar evaluation and close
3 hours total	

Please note that this seminar can be held twice during the day, to maximise the opportunity for all finance professionals to attend.

Ian Fifield PhD CPFA Head of Training

Ian is a CIPFA qualified accountant and an experienced trainer and facilitator, with more than 20 years experience of financial management in the public services.

Ian specialises in financial management training for local authorities and other public service organisations and has also worked as an accountant in local government and an external auditor for both local government and health bodies.

Ian has provided training to a wide range of finance stakeholders, including finance professionals, service managers and elected members.

Ian also designs and delivers training specifically tailored to clients' individual systems and processes, ensuring that training directly addresses local client needs and requirements.

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