

Dear Councillor and Colleagues

Following our recent Community Leadership series we have now made available all briefing documents which outline the key national policy drivers and changes and the impact this has on service delivery and your communities. In addition, we highlight the councillors role as leaders within your community and the changing relationships with citizens and partners as we get to grips with the implications of developing policies.

The Quick Guides include topics such as:

- Community Leadership
- Localism
- Welfare Reform
- Economic Stewardship
- Social Growth

We have also included access to a short video which includes Neil McInroy from the Centre for Local Economic Strategies as he outlines the main elements to the Welfare Reform and what it means to the changing roles of councillors and how they can support their communities through these changes.

Please www.nwemployers.org.uk/media-library/community-leadership-series.html to view the guides and the access the video link.

We are looking ahead to the next series of events for councillors and we'd like to enlist your help in forming what we offer next around policy updates and/or skills development for councillors. Therefore, we'd love to hear your thoughts about any other practical events we run regionally and sub-regionally. We will also shortly be launching our regional calendar of member development workshops which we hope you will engage in over the coming months.

We very much look forward to hearing from you and please feel free to share this information with your colleagues.

Kindest regards

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