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To All Members –

We would like to draw your attention to a number of news items that may be of interest for members and some important dates for your diaries:

News & Consultations

1. The **2026 Cornwall Local Councils Conference** was a tremendous success, and I would like to extend my sincere thanks to everyone who helped make it such a memorable and valuable event. Initial feedback has been exceptional, with 100% of respondents reporting satisfaction with the conference and 98% saying they would recommend it to a colleague. In particular, I would like to thank our headline sponsor, Mulberry, for their support, alongside our speakers, exhibitors and partners who contributed their expertise, insight and enthusiasm throughout the day. I am also immensely grateful to the CALC staff team and Board members whose hard work, planning and dedication ensured the event was delivered to such a high standard. If you have not yet completed the feedback form, please do take a few moments to share your views, as every response helps inform future events. We will be carrying out a full review of the conference at the end of October and, encouraged by the overwhelmingly positive response, are already looking ahead to delivering a Cornwall Local Councils Conference 2027 on Tuesday 5 October. As councils begin setting budgets for the coming year, I would encourage them to bear this event in mind. The 2026 conference was intentionally offered at an introductory and heavily subsidised rate to maximise participation and help establish the event, and it is likely that delegate fees will need to increase in future years to ensure the conference remains financially sustainable whilst continuing to deliver the high-quality programme and experience that attendees have come to expect. Thank you once again to everyone who attended and helped make this year's conference such a success.

2. CALC Clerk Drop-In Session | Wednesday 11 November 2026 at 2pm.
Whether you've been in post for a few weeks, a few months, or many years, we'd love you to join us for a relaxed chat and coffee with fellow clerks from across Cornwall.

This is a great opportunity to share experiences, seek advice, build your professional network, and connect with colleagues who understand the challenges and rewards of the clerk role.
To register your interest, please contact CALC at enquiries@cornwallalc.org.uk and we will send you the meeting link.

3. Councillor Advocate Scheme – The Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner (OPCC) encourages all councillors to join the Advocate Scheme to help strengthen connections between local policing teams and the communities they serve.
Please see the attached flyer and if you have any questions or would like to get involved, please email councilloradvocateOPCC@dc-pcc.gov.uk

4. Reminder – Martyn's Law survey | please complete by midnight on 20 October 2026.
The Security Industry Authority (SIA) is seeking feedback on the forthcoming Martyn's Law. If your council manages premises or events that may fall within scope of the legislation, please take a few minutes to complete this short survey by **midnight on 20 October**.
A communications toolkit and free advice, guidance and learning resources are also available from ProtectUK.

5. DMU/OU/RCA survey on Local Council Provision of Public Toilets
Town and Parish Councils are invited to complete a short, anonymous survey being conducted by researchers from De Montfort University, the Open University and the Royal College of Art. Responses are welcomed whether or not your council provides public toilets. The survey takes approximately 5-10 minutes to complete and is open until **31 October 2026**. The survey can be accessed here

6. The Eden Project - Greentime17
Greentime17 is an initiative from the Eden Project encouraging people to spend **17 minutes a day in nature** to support health, wellbeing and a stronger connection with the natural environment. Part of the Nature Connections programme, it is delivered in partnership with the Wildlife Trusts, with training opportunities planned for the future. See the attached **Greentime17 communications toolkit**.

7. The Duchy Health Charity launches new strategy to strengthen community resilience and announces the opening of the Building Community Fund 2026/27
The fund aims to support charities and grassroots organisations that are helping people build stronger connections, reduce isolation and create more connected communities across Cornwall and the Isles of Scilly.
For more information, please visit the Duchy Health Charity website and the Community Building Fund 2026/27 page.

Training & Events – for further information please click here

ICCM Management of Memorials | Thursday 29 October 2026 at 10am-4pm – In-person training at The Brannel Room, 22 Fore Street, St Stephen, St Austell, PL26 7NN – contact office@ststepheninbrannel-pc.gov.uk or 01726 823003 by the latest Monday 19th October
Personal Safety & Security Awareness for Councillors | Wednesday 4 November 2026 at 6.30pm – Online presentation with Ian Reeves, Devon & Cornwall Police
Clerk Drop-in | Wednesday 11 November 2026 at 2pm – online session - Join fellow clerks from across Cornwall for an informal online chat and coffee. A great opportunity to share experiences, seek advice, and build your professional network.
Chairing Skills | Wednesday 11 November 2026 at 6.30pm – In-person training recommended for those who wish to develop their leadership skills and learn how to chair effective and productive council meetings – venue TBC Helston area – **expression of interest invited**
Councillor Skills | Tuesday 24 November 2026 at 6.30pm – In-person training recommended for both new and experienced councillors seeking to refresh their knowledge and understanding of the role - ClayTAWC, Fore Street, St Dennis, PL26 8AF
Clerking Essentials | Tuesday 19 January 2027 at 9.15am-3pm – In-person training designed to build confidence, refresh knowledge, and strengthen key clerking skills for both new and experienced clerks, as well as council staff – venue TBC Lostwithiel area – **expression of interest invited**
Clerking Essentials | Wednesday 20 January 2027 at 9.15am-3pm – In-person training designed to build confidence, refresh knowledge, and strengthen key clerking skills for both new and experienced clerks, as well as council staff – venue TBC Carn Brea area – **expression of interest invited**
Being A Good Employer |In-person training with Joan Mallard - Practical training for councillors, particularly Staffing Committee members, on their responsibilities as employers and supporting council staff effectively – **expression of interest invited**
IOSH Managing Safely | Friday 20 & 27 November/ 4 December 2027 at 9.15am-4pm, Liskeard Library – In-person training to understand the practical actions managers need to take to tackle safety and health issues in the workplace – to book call Tamar Safety on 01822 833534

Job Opportunities – for further information please click here

Part-time Interim Clerk |Callington Town Council |deadline for applications Monday 19 October 2026
Clerk & RFO Probus Parish Council |deadline for applications Friday 30 October 2026
Finance Administrator |Camborne Town Council |to start ASAP
LGRC are seeking qualified clerks with additional capacity to undertake freelance work across the region | please contact LGRC on info@lgrc.uk

Should you have any questions in relation to any item within this Bulletin, please get in touch by email at enquiries@cornwallalc.org.uk

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THE COUNCILLOR ADVOCATE SCHEME

PCC
Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner
Devon and Cornwall

JOIN NOW

Become a Councillor Advocate and help create safer communities across Devon, Cornwall and the Isles of Scilly

As a councillor you understand the concerns, priorities and aspirations of the communities you represent. The Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner (OPCC) is encouraging all councillors to join the advocate scheme and play a key role in strengthening the connection between your local policing team and your community.

Join our scheme to stay informed about proposed changes to policing and receive the latest information about local, regional and national policing issues.

> "My local Inspector arranges regular contact and provides updates on crime and policing priorities. They demonstrate the commitment and understanding of my local community and have the ability to listen and receive feedback"
>
> (Councillor Advocate)

What you will receive

✓ Direct contact with your local policing team who can help answer the questions you are being asked by your community

✓ Access to exclusive seminars and briefings with officers and partner organisations

✓ Opportunities to discuss local concerns and influence conversations on policing priorities

✓ Better access to information that helps you support your residents

> "My local policing Inspector has only been in post for a short amount of time but has impressed Advocates already with their aspirations on their patch. They have ambitions for improvement of the crime concerns that residents have".
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