

New for 2013 - Wales Training Seminar

Wednesday 17th April 2013, Liberty Stadium, Swansea

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We are delighted to be offering this one day event which will prepare Community and Town Councils for an enhanced and developing role in supporting their communities. The joint training seminar will assist Community and Town Councils to understand how they can improve the social, economic and environmental wellbeing of their communities by way of the new Power of Well-Being introduced under the Local Government (Wales) Measure 2011.

Plenary Sessions:

- > The Power of Well-Being – A Major Opportunity for Community Development at the Very Local Level - Lisa James, Deputy Director for Local Government and Public Services, Welsh Government
- > Unitary Authorities and Community / Town Councils – Future Partnership Models
Steve Thomas CBE, Chief Executive of Welsh Local Government Association



Workshop Sessions:

- > Power of Well-being
- > Contributing to Sustainability
- > Climate Change & Community Emergency Planning
- > Devolution of Services from Unitary Authorities

Who can attend?

Open to Clerks and Councillors

How much does it cost?

Delegate fee from £49 + VAT

Stuck for Transport?

We will be offering a subsidised coach (£10 per delegate) collecting people from locations in Welshpool, Newtown, Llandrindod Wells, and Brecon.

How do I register?

www.slcc.co.uk Click on Conference

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WORKING HOURS SURVEY

A very big thank you to the 1,117 members who took the time to complete our Working Hours Survey during January. This is by far the largest number of respondents since our very first membership survey in 2004 and reflects the importance of this issue. We will be studying the results in the coming weeks to prepare a detailed evidence base to discuss with sector partners and will be sharing our initial conclusions in a future edition of *The Clerk*.

For the moment we can share the responses to the question we asked part time clerks about the minimum number of hours they needed to fulfil basic tasks at councils with a number of scenarios. Even though respondents were only answering for themselves, the mean average of the minimum number of hours in each circumstance is remarkably consistent throughout the results. The table shows the average minimum hours per month required to fulfil the basic roles of a clerk in each circumstance.

	One meeting every 2 months - minimal services	One meeting a month - minimal services	One meeting a month, limited services but no employees	Two plus meetings a month, limited services	Two plus meetings a month, several services
Servicing Meetings	2-3	3-4	6-8	6-8	8-10
Financial Management	1-2	2-3	1-2	6-8	8-10
Administration	2-3	8-10	25-30	25-30	25-30
Answering public queries	<1	<1	2-3	4-5	8-10
Managing / supervising staff	<1	<1	<1	<1	4-5
Other	1-2	1-2	8-10	8-10	8-10
Total minimum hours per month	9	17	48	55	68