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A NEW MAYOR FOR THE EAST MIDLANDS

Yesterday, voters across Derbyshire and Nottinghamshire were given the opportunity to vote for the first Mayor of the East Midlands Combined County Authority (EMCCA).

Following a turn-out of 27.6% overall, with the highest turnout in Rushcliffe (37.7%) and lowest in Bolsover (22.3%), at the time of writing it seems likely that Claire Ward (Labour) will be announced as the new Mayor of the EMCCA, and will start their duties next week.

The devolution deal for the EMCCA was signed by all four upper tier councils in November 2022, guaranteeing a funding stream of £1.14billion, spread over a 30-year period, alongside devolved powers around transport, housing, skills and adult education, economic development and net zero.

East Midlands Councils is looking forward to working closely with the new Mayor and authority to ensure that our priorities as a wider region are aligned.

Across the rest of the East Midlands, elections were taking place for Police and Crime Commissioners. Conservative Marc Jones has been re-elected as Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) for Lincolnshire for a third term. Rupert Matthews has been re-elected as Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) for Leicestershire and Rutland. The results for the PCC elections in Derbyshire, Northamptonshire and Nottinghamshire are still to be announced.

In Lincoln, there were elections for 11 seats, one from each of the wards in the City. Labour retained control where a third of the seats were up for grabs last night. The Labour Party won 8 seats, the Lib Dems won 2 and the Conservatives won 1.

EAST MIDLANDS COUNCILS - NOMINATION PROCESS

EMC will shortly be inviting nominations for membership.

All local authority members are allocated one place on EMC, which is usually the Leader of the Council unless otherwise specified. In addition to this, there are a further 40 places which are allocated based on the political balance of the region.

For more information about EMC membership:

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EMC COUNCILLOR DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

The Role of the Civic Head, Thursday, 6 June 2024, 10am—3pm, North Kesteven District Council

This session will benefit Elected Members who anticipate election to the office of Mayor or Chair of Council at Annual Meetings in May 2024. Attendance by civic office support staff has also proved useful and beneficial in understanding the role and building effective working relationships.

One Year On – Workshop for Newly Elected Councillors, Friday 14 June, 1pm—4pm, Leicester City Council

This workshop aims to continue supporting newly elected members with their learning journey through networking, reflection, information updates and taster skills sessions all included. This is an informal, interactive session where you will benefit from the learning, the opportunity to ask questions and making new connections with both councillors and officers.

Chairing Skills for Members, Thursday, 4 July 2024, 6pm—8pm, Online

This session has been developed for Councillors in the East Midlands, who are interested in developing their chairing skills in face to face, virtual and hybrid settings. It is suitable for both chairs and vice chairs.

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UPCOMING MIGRATION TRAINING

IOM UK: Sudan information sessions:

Geography, Society, Current Events and Cultural Norms, Tuesday 14 May, 10am—12pm, Online

This session's content will focus on Sudan's geography, history, and current events, alongside Sudanese society and the cultural norms of the Sudanese community within Sudan and neighbouring countries.

Experiences in Displacement and Services, Wednesday 15 May, 10am—12pm, Online

This session's content will focus primarily on experiences that the Sudanese communities may face in displacement within and outside their country of origin.

IOM UK: Afghan information sessions:

Geography, Society, Current Events and Services, Tuesday 5 June, 10am-12pm, Online

This session's content will focus primarily on the geography and history of Afghanistan, as well as Afghan's experiences in conflict.

Cultural Norms, Family and Social Life, Wednesday 6 June, 10am-12pm, Online

This session's content will focus primarily on Afghan cultural norms, practices, family, and social life.

ALL TRAINING & EVENTS

EMC Leadership

Chair: Cllr Martin Hill OBE
Vice Chair: Cllr Sarah Russell
Vice Chair: Cllr Tricia Gilby
Conservative Group: Cllr Phil King
Labour Group: Cllr Jewel Miah
Liberal Democrat Group: Cllr David Bill MBE
Independent Group: Cllr Matthew Relf
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