



A weekly round up of local government news in the East Midlands brought to you by East Midlands Councils

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## APPG CALLS FOR EVIDENCE TO IDENTIFY THE PRIORITIES IN THE EAST MIDLANDS

This week, the East Midlands APPG issued a Call for Evidence to identify the priorities in the East Midlands for the 2025 Comprehensive Spending Review.

Working with East Midlands Councils and the East Midlands Chamber, the APPG is keen to hear from stakeholders across the East Midlands (Derbyshire, Leicestershire, Lincolnshire, Northamptonshire, Nottinghamshire and Rutland) about strategic policies and projects that would enable the region to address one or more of following challenges:

- Boosting transport links.
- Improving climate resilience and flood mitigation/adaptation, including flood risk.
- Creating new jobs, boosting skills and improving labour productivity.
- Building more homes and addressing rising homelessness.
- Supporting a just transition to net zero.
- Improving healthy life expectancy and reducing health inequalities, particularly for women.

The deadline for this Call for Evidence is Friday 7 February 2025.

More information can be found our website:

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## 2025 SPENDING REVIEW PORTAL OPEN

In December 2024, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Rt Hon Rachel Reeves MP, launched Phase 2 of the Spending Review.

The Spending Review representation portal is for your organisation to submit feedback on government spending priorities, and to suggest policy ideas that could inform decisions about departmental budgets, and resource allocation over the multi-year Spending Review period.

The Chancellor has commissioned the Office of Budget Responsibility to prepare an economic and fiscal forecast which will be presented alongside the Spring forecast on 26 March.

The portal closes on 9 February.

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## INVITATION TO COUNCILLORS – EMC GENERAL MEETING

The East Midlands General Meeting will be taking place on **Friday 31 January 2025**.

This meeting will be held at Newark & Sherwood DC, Castle House, Newark, NG24 1BY.

Registration will commence from 9am, with political pre-meetings taking place at 9.30am. The General Meeting will begin at 10am, concluding with lunch at midday.

The invitation to attend the EMC General Meeting is open to councillors from across the region. If you would like to attend, we would be grateful if you could confirm by emailing

[lisa.hopkins@emcouncils.gov.uk](mailto:lisa.hopkins@emcouncils.gov.uk).

## NATIONAL RECRUITMENT CAMPAIGN UPDATE

HR and Communications Colleagues from across the region came together this week to hear an update from the LGA on the National Recruitment Campaign for Local Government.

The campaign, which will conclude at the end of this month, has been promoting the benefits of working in Local Government across the country.

Each council has access to the campaign materials toolkit to amplify the message locally.

East Midlands Councils has been supporting the LGA with the rollout of the campaign regionally, and has updated the functionality of the East Midlands Jobs platform, a hub for all public sector jobs in the region, to reflect the national campaign.

If you have any queries about East Midlands Jobs or the advertising campaign, you can contact Sam [sam.maher@emcouncils.gov.uk](mailto:sam.maher@emcouncils.gov.uk) or Rachael at

[Rachael.pengelly@emcouncils.gov.uk](mailto:Rachael.pengelly@emcouncils.gov.uk).

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## PREVENTING VICARIOUS TRAUMA TRAINING

Thursday 23 January 2025 | 10am—12pm

This workshop is designed to develop insight into how to manage stress and be effective when helping highly traumatised people.

Supporting this client group can have a serious impact on well-being and capacity to cope; work in this field can lead to vicarious trauma and 'burn out'. There will be a PowerPoint presentation with opportunities for discussion and sharing experience of helping refugees.

Find out more and book to attend here:

[BOOK NOW](#)

## TFEM LAUNCHES TENDER FOR THE PRODUCTION OF TECHNICAL EVIDENCE

Transport for the East Midlands (TfEM) is seeking proposals for one supplier to use available literature and their own analysis to produce public facing written documents.

The end aim will be that TfEM can use and refer to the documents produced for targeted communications on transport priorities with Government, Local Political Representatives, Industry Leaders and Local Stakeholders.

More information including our Client Specification can be found on our website, here:

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## EAST MIDLANDS REGIONAL PAY BRIEFING

A reminder that EMC will be hosting a regional pay consultation briefing on Thursday 13 February 2024 from 10am to 12 noon. The briefing provides an opportunity for senior officers and lead Members to meet with the national negotiators to discuss the claims from the joint trade unions and to inform the National Employers' response .

To book a place please email [mila.pereira@emcouncils.gov.uk](mailto:mila.pereira@emcouncils.gov.uk).

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