

Membership Benefits 2011/12

East Midlands Councils:

Represents the interests of local councils to
Government and national organisations

Enables local councils to work together on key
issues of common concern

Supports local councils with advice and services
on employment, training and development,
housing, health, transport and planning





In these challenging times Councils need to work together
East Midlands Councils provides the opportunity for this collaboration to take place. It is the consultative forum for local authorities in the East Midlands, providing a strong voice for the region. It gives support to councils to help them develop their workforce and leadership and improve their services.

East Midlands Councils provides its members with:

- Leadership on behalf of Local Government in the East Midlands, working closely with business, health and the third sector.
- An employers' organisation for local authorities in the East Midlands.
- A forum to influence Government strategies and investment plans, for example proposals for High Speed Rail.
- Governance of the Regional Improvement & Efficiency Partnership and the East Midlands Strategic Migration Partnership.
- A range of high quality services to Councils free or at not-for-profit rates.

Working together
for the **East Midlands**





East Midlands Councils is owned and run by Councils

Local Authority members of East Midlands Councils can:

- Participate in focused networks across a range of issues such as migration and service improvement.
- Attend conferences and seminars on key issues such as planning and housing reform, and participate in research projects.
- Access high quality advice and services on human resources and employment matters.
- Attend our training events and receive bespoke consultancy support.

We facilitate support and communication between local authorities and Government, partner organisations, the third sector and businesses to enable greater insight into local government.

How East Midlands Councils works:

- We are a small but dedicated, skilled and experienced team.
- We focus on programmes and services that save councils money and build skills and capacity.
- Our services are driven by Councils' requests and requirements.
- We work with other associations and national bodies to identify and share best practice.
- We have a proven track record in effective learning and development interventions delivering projects and funded activity.
- Our customers and clients return to us again and again.

Membership of East Midlands Councils can save each authority up to £16,000 per year.



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Councils that are members of East Midlands Councils can access:

- Training for elected Members and officers at cost effective rates.
- Councillor development programmes and support to achieve the regional councillor development charter.
- Products and services at extremely reduced rates, for example licences for on-line HR information systems and IT security breach warning service.
- Leadership and workforce development opportunities.
- Outplacement support, for example skills workshops and career coaching.
- Assessment and development centre design and delivery.
- Low cost Continuing Professional Development programmes for officers working in planning and environmental health.
- Direct political links with national and international bodies including the Local Government Association and the EU Committee of the Regions.
- Low cost and free HR services.
- Strategic HR advice.
- Policy support and research across a range of topics including housing, health, transport and planning.
- Low cost interim and technical support.

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