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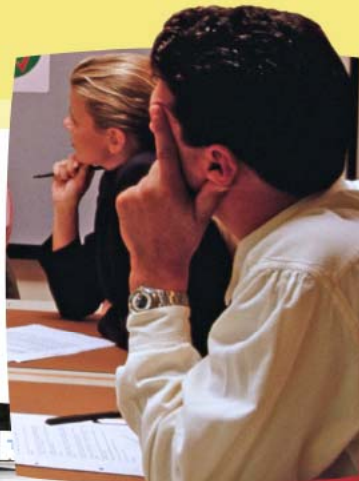
*Professional Development
Programme*

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Workshop Details

The *Local Government New Zealand* Professional Development Programme presents six half day workshops designed and presented by staff from Victoria University, to enhance elected members' knowledge and understanding of governance practice.

Dates

Thursday 17 May 2007
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Times

9.00am-12.00 noon - morning sessions
1.00pm-4.00pm - afternoon sessions

Venue

Conference Room 1
Jet Park Hotel and Conference Centre
63 Westney Road
Mangere
South Auckland

Registration Details

Cost

\$175 per workshop, or \$150 per workshop for participants registering for three or more workshops, GST exclusive.

How

Register online www.lgnz.co.nz from 26 April 2007
Register early as numbers are limited.

Cancellation Policy

In the event of any cancellation by *Local Government New Zealand*, we will refund in full your registration fee. If you are unable to attend a workshop, you are welcome to send a substitute.

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Workshop Overview

Thursday 17 May 2007

9.00am - 12noon *Roles and Responsibilities*

The LGA 2002 has focused attention on the multiple roles of elected members without actually defining what these roles are. Elected members have a number of defined roles under the Act. This module will examine the philosophical basis to these roles, what this means in terms of actual responsibility and how else individual elected members and councils, as a collective are held to account through the three year election cycle.

1.00pm - 4.00pm *Ethics*

Why are ethics important? What ethical standards are appropriate for local government? What ethical standards has your council set for itself in the code of conduct? How can standards be upheld?

Friday 18 May 2007

9.00am - 12 noon *Community Planning*

Is the LTCCP the new strategic plan? How do we identify a good LTCCP and community outcome process? These and many other issues will be covered in this session that looks at the process councils undertake to develop LTCCPs and community outcomes.

1.00pm - 4.00pm *Priority Setting*

How do groups of elected members make decisions in the face of competing priorities? How are the costs and benefits evaluated? This module looks at different roles individuals play when faced with making major expenditure decisions in the context of competing claims for available funds.

Monday 28 May 2007

9.00am - 12 noon *Connecting with Communities*

Community leadership and consultation is a major part of being an elected member. How to connect with different communities requires communication skills and knowledge of a range of leadership techniques. These will be discussed within the context of consultation under the LGA 2002 with a focus on communities developing outcomes for themselves.

1.00pm - 4.00pm *Managing the Media and Rates Revolt*

A workshop assisting elected members to be more confident and proactive in managing the media. Based on a real case study, it will provide an opportunity to examine the way in which contentious issues can be distorted and blown out of proportion by the media. Strategies for managing unpopular decisions will be discussed.