



Subject:	NILGA Refresher Planning Training
Date:	20th September, 2016
Reporting Officer:	Eilish McGoldrick, Democratic Services Officer
Contact Officer:	As above

Is this report restricted?	Yes		No	X
Is the decision eligible for Call-in?	Yes	X	No	

1.0	Purpose of Report or Summary of main Issues
	To inform the Committee of the forthcoming Northern Ireland Local Government
	Association (NILGA) Planning in Councils 'Refresher' Training Series available, with
	attendance limited to a maximum of 5 places per event.
2.0	Recommendations
	The Committee is requested to note the contents of the report and consider
	Member/Officer attendance at the four training events outlined.
3.0	Main report
	Background Information
	Correspondence has been received from NILGA regarding a short series of training events
	for Elected Members on the following issues:-
	1. Elected Members and the Planning Committee (25th October 2016, Craigavon Civic Centre 10.00am—12.30pm);
	2. The Councillor Role in the Development Plan Process (22nd November 2016, Glenavon Hotel Cookstown, 10.00am—12.30pm);
	3. Councillors and the Planning Appeals Commission (13th December 2016, Antrim Civic Centre 10.00am—12.30pm); and
	4. Working with Developers and Agents

	(Date and venue to be confirmed, 2017).
	If attendance is recommended by the Committee, Democratic Services will liaise with
	Members and complete the booking - The deadline for the first event is 11th October.
	Detailed agendas will be issued for each event closer to the event dates.
	Key Issues
	Events are open to all Elected Members and Officers, however numbers are limited to 5
	places per council for each event.
	Financial & Resource Implications
	Attendance at these events is free of charge.
	Equality or Good Relations Implications
	None
4.0	Appendices – Documents Attached
	Appendix 1 - NILGA Events Flyer