

2025/26 Council Member Training Plan

This Plan is prepared in accordance with Part 5 of the Council Member Training and Development Policy and is informed by the Local Government Association's Training Standards for Council Members Framework.

Timeframe	Subject	Details
2025/26 FY Budget Allocation		
July/August 2025 <i>(Pending LTFP dates)</i>	Understanding Sustainable Debt <i>A tailored session to provide Council Members with an in depth understanding regarding the responsible use of debt by the South Australian Local Government sector</i>	Delivery method: Inhouse Proposed provider: Local Government Finance Authority Commitment: 2-hour session
September 2025	Strategic Thinking <i>A tailored session aligned with the objectives of the CoA Strategic Plan</i>	Delivery method: Inhouse / In person Proposed provider: Australian Institute of Management Commitment: Inhouse TBC / In person – 2 day Course
February 2026	Council Meetings and Procedures Legal Obligations (Combined refresher) <i>A refresher training to assist Council Members in their comprehension of Council Meetings and Procedures as defined under the Local Government Act 1999 (SA), the Local Government (Procedures at Meetings) Regulations 2013 (SA) and Council's Code of Practice for Meeting Procedures and in their comprehension of their legal obligations under the Local Government Act 1999 (SA) and other relevant legislation, including but not limited to Conflicts of Interest, confidentiality, registers and returns, legal protections and oversight and behavioural standards.</i>	Delivery method: Inhouse Proposed provider: Norman Waterhouse Lawyers Commitment: 3-hour session
March/April 2026	Effective Community Engagement (IAP2) <i>A tailored session facilitated by the International Association for Public Participation in relation to effective community engagement.</i>	Delivery method: Inhouse Proposed provider: IAP2 Commitment: TBC