



Essex Association of Local Councils

COUNCILLOR TRAINING BURSARY

Amended October 2025

Parish Councillors are invited to apply for a Bursary towards Councillor Training that will aid them in their Council's work. The Bursary limit is 75% of the cost of the training course, to a limit of £240 in any one financial year per Councillor. The Council will therefore be expected to pay the remaining 25% of the cost from Council funds or other available grants. Councillors from Councils with an annual budgeted income of under £80,000 are eligible to apply.

Councillor Training must be completed within 12 months of the funding being approved. The Councillor Bursary is open to all Councillors.

IMPORTANT:

Please submit all Bursary Applications BEFORE you undertake the training and remember to book and pay for any courses in the normal way. The Bursary will refund 75% of the total cost of the training upon full completion of all modules of the training course.

Application forms are available on the EALC Website or email training@ealc.gov.uk

- The EALC is funding this grant from limited Accumulated reserves of £30,000.
- The EALC has the right to change and review the criteria of the scheme at any time.
- The EALC has the right to withdraw the fund at any time.
- This bursary commenced in November 2023.