# Your Membership Benefits

2025-2026





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### Who are LLG

Lawyers in Local Government (LLG) is the professional membership body representing, promoting and supporting the interests of local government legal or governance officers working within a local authority. This includes Monitoring Officers and their deputies, solicitors, barristers, legal executives, licenced conveyancers and trainees.

Offering a unique range of membership benefits and an exceptional programme of high-quality training events aimed at the local government legal practitioner, LLG is an essential resource for those working in the public sector.

LLG actively influences the local government sector with a range of campaigns designed to build best practice in leadership, succession planning for the future of the profession, and sustainability within our communities. Offering technical guidance and expertise on forthcoming legislation and policy, we collaborate with other important stakeholders within the sector to get the best outcome.

# Your membership includes

### WEEKLY BULLETIN AND NEWSLETTER

The invaluable and comprehensive weekly digest summarising everything from the press, media, and social media. With topics concerning law, politics and policy, cases of interest, decisions of note, and announcements from local authorities and stakeholder organisations

### WEEKLY GRAPEVINE PODCAST AND VLOG

Catch up with the weekly news headlines and topics in a compact review. The Grapevine podcast gives you a six minute summary of the weekly bulletin, or head to the Vlog for a 4 minute video of the current news headlines.

#### WEBINARS PROGRAMME

Lively one hour updates on emerging issues, whether it be legal debate, practice suggestions, process changes, government policy and consultations, LLG campaigns, or soft skills & wellbeing. Book and view what is coming up click <a href="https://exampaigns.com/heter-page-12">heter persons the legal debate, practice suggestions, process changes, government policy and consultations, LLG campaigns, or soft skills & wellbeing. Book and view what is coming up click <a href="https://exampaigns.com/heter-page-12">heter persons the legal debate, practice suggestions, process changes, government policy and consultations, LLG campaigns, or soft skills & wellbeing. Book and view what is coming up click <a href="https://exampaigns.com/heter-page-12">heter persons the legal debate, practice suggestions, process changes, government policy and consultations, LLG campaigns, or soft skills & wellbeing. Book and view what is coming up click <a href="https://exampaigns.com/heter-page-12">heter persons the legal debate, process changes, process ch

#### **DISCUSSION FORUM**

Web chat with the wider community – post your questions, queries and sticky issues to see if other members can help, or offer your experience and advice to support those that need it. <u>Here</u> is the user guide to get you started

LLG is a vibrant member organisation for local government lawyers and governance officers at all levels.

Joining LLG introduces you to a community of like minded local authority lawyers and governance officers across England and Wales. We offer you access to knowledge, training and development opportunities specifically focussed on your needs, within the context of law in local government. As part of the LLG family, you'll never be alone – either professionally or socially!



#### **NATIONAL GROUPS**

Meetings allow you to talk and learn with other lawyers online within your specific legal discipline, to grow your skills and your network <u>Groups</u> or to see <u>events</u> coming up

#### **RESOURCE HUB**

Access to the Membership pages of the Website including Counsel's Opinion & Guidance Documents. Click <a href="https://example.com/here-new-membership-pages">here-new-membership pages</a>

#### **NEW**

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#### **DISCOUNTED TRAINING OFFER**

Discounted fees offered on training events throughout the year. Use your registered email to gain the discounted price when booking online. Click here

### DISCOUNTED VACANCY ADVERTISING

Discounted fees to post a vacancy position on our website.

#### **REGIONAL MEETINGS**

Facilitate networking, social and training events for lawyers across a particular region, both online and face to face, to build links with nearby local authorities groups or to see events coming up

#### **CAMPAIGN AGENDA**

Our members have lots of opportunities to take part in national policy making and debate on key professional issues affecting them and their authorities.

Join with us to change the sector for the better, shaping national policy and legislation, and working on innovative approaches such as the Golden Triangle Campaign, Work Experience week and National Graduate Recruitment.

#### JUNIOR LAWYERS DISCOUNT

Many of our courses are available at a reduced rate of £75+VAT and a handful of one-day conferences at a discounted rate of £125+VAT to trainee solicitors, paralegals, solicitor apprentices and junior lawyers who are LLG members and up to 5 years' PQE. All junior lawyers are entitled to free membership of LLG (this excludes Membership +)



### What we do

#### THE LLG AWARDS

LLG celebrates the best in the profession and recognise the huge contribution made by lawyers in effecting change in their local communities. As a member you can nominate yourself or team members for recognition, or just enjoy the spectacle and be inspired by the stories of others.

#### **FOR MONITORING OFFICERS**

Access to the Monitoring Officer Handbook (e-book).

Should you need support, LLG Membership provides access to the **Monitoring Officer Defence Scheme** providing up to 3 hours of confidential advice and discounted representational rates.

#### PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT

Whether you are a junior lawyer or a Head of Legal, LLG gives you access to the tools to boost your career prospects. Grow your legal skills through attending our range of discounted training conferences. Expand your soft skills with development opportunities such as LLG Inspire; apply for our Mentoring Scheme, and apply for training and academic bursaries. Gain leadership experience through standing for office as a Director of LLG or a National Lead.

#### LLG STAKEHOLDER COLLABORATION

LLG has excellent connections with a variety of stakeholders including Central Government, the Local Government Association, The Law Society, The Solicitors Regulation Authority, the Local Government and Social Care Ombudsman and other national bodies and groups. We work in partnership with other membership groups such as the Association of Democratic Services Officers, Society for Local Council Clerks, and National Association of Local Councils, the Chartered Institute of Public Finance Accountants (CIPFA), the Society for Local Authority Chief Executives (SOLACE) and the Association of Electoral Administrators (AEA) – to bring collective weight on important issues and enjoy strong ties with the Press to publicise our campaigns and key messages.

# Membership Options

Membership is open to any local government legal or governance officer working within a Local Authority (whether directly employed by the Local Authority or engaged through an agency or other similar arrangement), including but not limited to Monitoring Officers and their deputies, solicitors, barristers, legal executives and licensed conveyancers, and any trainee of any of them, but EXCLUDING any solicitor in private practice unless they are self employed and undertake work solely on behalf of Local Authority clients. There are different types of membership available either for a group of colleagues in a local authority or as an individual.

Being an LLG member provides access to a network of lawyers throughout England and Wales, the opportunity to join free, regular webinars and meetings, the chance to be part of the national campaigns, a weekly newsletter of membership notices and a weekly bulletin of legislative changes and notices.

Group membership or individual memberships are available and details of group numbers, categories of joining and fees for 2025 are listed in the Membership Annual Fees (Page 8). The membership year is from the 1st April.

## Membership Plus

In addition to having access to all of the membership benefits, the Membership Plus option offers local authorities the ability to buy a membership inclusive of free attendance for any or all of the people within the LLG Membership Group at 6 remote one day conferences throughout the year, typically including Planning law, Commercial law, Child protection, Monitoring Officer Conference and other topical conferences such as housing or climate change law.

This can be a far more cost-effective way of purchasing access to remote conferences for the legal team.

Please note this does not include the two residential conferences (Spring Conference and Governance Conference) or LLG's one day training courses.



FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO JOIN

Please email membership@llg.org.uk

# Annual fees 2025 - 2026

Groups of Membership	Membership	Membership Plus
1-5 Members	£360	£760
6-10 Members	£705	£1,890
11-20 Members	£1,070	£2,520
21-30 Members	£1,420	£3,150
31-50 Members	£1,700	£3,780
51+ Members	£2,800	£6,220

Individual Memberships	Membership	Membership Plus
Monitoring Officer or Head of Legal	£360	£630
Principal Solicitor or Locum	£150	£315
Assistant Solicitor or on a Career Break	£70	£190
Retired	£65	£190
Trainee or Apprentice	£0	n/a



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