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Supporting, developing and representing every solicitor and trainee in local government

SLG is the recognised group of the Law Society representing solicitors and trainees in local government in England and Wales.

Membership of SLG is open to all trainees and solicitors employed in local government or other similar bodies such as passenger transport executives, the Probation Service, fire & civil defence and police authorities. Non-solicitor legal staff may join SLG as Associates.

What SLG offers you...

- Branches throughout the country
- Special interest groups (SIGs) for your particular area of practice, most with CPD accreditation
- Information packed website and forum
- Highly regarded and cost effective training
- Annual weekend school and annual dinner
- Great networking opportunities
- Young Solicitor of the Year Award
- Opportunity to contribute to national consultation papers
- Representation of local government law within the Law Society, the local government community and Government

Branches

SLG operates through a network of nine regional branches. The branches meet regularly and often have speakers on important local government issues. Check the website for details of your local branch or fill in the membership form and we'll automatically forward your details to the relevant branch secretary.

Special interest groups (SIGs)

Many of the branches operate SIGs for those with a particular interest in such areas as highways, planning, education, child care, licensing, social services, to name but a few. The 'news & events' section of the website has details of forthcoming meetings. If there isn't a SIG on your subject close to you, you're very welcome to attend a similar SIG elsewhere in the country or better still...why not set one up and run one in your area? Speak to your local branch secretary for help and advice on how to do this. Some SIGs make a nominal charge for attendance but it's an extremely cheap and effective way to get valuable CPD.

Website

The highly informative website gives full details about SLG including dates of all forthcoming meetings and events. Log onto the forum to share ideas and post any queries you may have or maybe you can help answer someone else's query.

Noter-Up magazine

Published four times a year, Noter-Up contains news, views and articles of interest to local government solicitors. It is delivered free to all SLG members.

Training courses

LGG Training is run jointly on behalf of SLG and ACSeS and is the recognised market leader in providing training for local government solicitors. It offers an unrivalled range of top quality courses on all aspects of local government at venues all around the country. Look at their website - www.lgg.org.uk - for full details of forthcoming courses (or follow the link from SLG's own website). All courses are fully accredited for CPD purposes and offer amazing value for money.

Weekend school

This is the foremost training event for local government solicitors and takes place annually each spring. Running from Thursday evening until Sunday lunchtime, it is also a great opportunity to make new acquaintances or catch up with old friends. Learn about the latest developments in the law in a friendly and relaxed environment and have some great fun as well. The weekend school is also the venue for the SLG annual dinner and AGM. It's tremendous value for money...and you get CPD hours as well! The weekend school is run by SLG in association with the Local Government Local Society Trust.

Local Government Professional Skills Course

This compulsory course for trainees has been specially tailored for those working in local government and is run in parallel with the weekend school.

Business Support Managers' Programme

This specially designed programme of seminars for those responsible for managing a legal department also runs in parallel with the weekend school.

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Have YOU joined yet?

In the past all solicitors and trainees in local government were automatically regarded as members of SLG (or LGG as it was then known). Now we are a separate company you need to join to become a member.

It is important that all solicitors and trainees in local government fill in a membership form, regardless of whether you are a regular attendee at SLG events or whether you've never attended in the past. SLG does not charge a subscription and so is dependent upon the grant it receives from the Law Society in order to carry out its work. The more members we have, the more influence SLG has with the Law Society, speaking out on things that matter to you and the better chance we have when bidding for funding.

Membership is FREE!

Please complete the membership form or join online at www.slgov.org.uk

Even if you don't think SLG events are right for you, it makes sense to have a strong voice at the heart of the Law Society standing up for the particular interests of solicitors and trainees in local government, so please complete and return the membership form to ensure that this important work can continue.

Calling all managers

Please support and encourage your staff to be active members of SLG. As well as benefiting them individually, it makes good sense for your authority.

For further details visit our website at: www.slgov.org.uk

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