

## **All You Want To Know About Local Authority Housing Finance 2010**

**February/December 2010**

We are running our 2010 series of 'All You Want to Know about Local Authority Housing Finance' at venues in all regions of England from February to December. This course is designed to give an introduction and overview to this important subject and will make specific reference to the situation in the region in which the seminar is held.

Do you think that a working knowledge of local authority housing finance, acquired at our fully up to date seminar, would put you and your colleagues in a position of advantage?

Whether you are in a Local Authority, Arms Length Management Organisation or a Government Office; whether you are a Housing Manager, Tenant Representative, Elected Member, ALMO Board member, or even a member of the Housing Finance Team, you could benefit from one of our courses at which you will learn 'All You Want To Know About Local Authority Housing Finance'.

### **What the Course will Cover:**

Housing Revenue Account, Rent Restructuring, Service Charges, Housing Subsidy, Capital Programmes, Decent Homes Standard, Housing Finance settlement for 2010/11, Housing Revenue Account Business Plans, Comprehensive Spending Reviews 2007 and 2010, Communities & Local Government / Treasury review of Council Housing Finance, Consultation Paper on Self-Financing, New Build and Social Housing Grant, Value for Money, Strategic Housing responsibilities, Private Sector Housing, Homelessness, Supporting People, Housing Benefit, Regeneration, Regulation by the Tenant Services Authority, Options Appraisals, Arms Length Management, Private Finance Initiative, Stock Transfer, the Recession and many other aspects of local authority housing finance.

The course is accompanied by a very useful 100 page book entitled:

### **"All You Want To Know About Local Authority Housing Finance 2010"**

Many people – officers, elected members, tenants and others with an interest in local authority housing have already benefited from this course.

### **Venues and Dates:**

**London:** Novotel Hotel, Waterloo – 17th February 2010

**West Midlands:** Novotel Hotel, Coventry – 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2010

**Northwest:** Thistle Hotel, Haydock – 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2010

**Southwest:** Angel Hotel, Chippenham – 14<sup>th</sup> April 2010

**Cumbria:** Stone Cross Manor Hotel, Kendal – 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2010

**South:** Novotel Hotel, Southampton – 1<sup>st</sup> July 2010

**East:** Gonville Hotel, Cambridge – 28<sup>th</sup> September 2010

**East Midlands:** The Waltons Hotel, Nottingham – 19<sup>th</sup> October 2010

**Yorkshire:** Leeds Rugby Lodge, Headingley – 9<sup>th</sup> November 2010

**Northeast:** New Northumbria Hotel, Newcastle – 6<sup>th</sup> May 2010

**London:** Ibis Hotel, Euston – 9<sup>th</sup> December 2010

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## **The Programme**

- 10.00 Introduction - Overview, Accounting Basics, Housing Revenue Account, Ring Fencing, Income and Expenditure Accounts, Resource Accounting, Rent Restructuring, Service Charges for Leaseholders and Tenants.
- 11.00 BREAK
- 11.15 Housing Subsidy (including the settlement for 2010/11), the Communities & Local Government / HM Treasury review of the funding of Council Housing, the Consultation Paper on Self-Financing, Capital Programmes and the Decent Homes Standard, Housing Revenue Account Business Plans.
- 12.30 LUNCH
- 13.30 Financial Aspects of Housing Policy, including: Comprehensive Spending Reviews 2007 and 2010, Value for Money Agenda, Housing & Regeneration Act, Inspection, Strategic Housing responsibilities, Private Sector Housing and Homelessness, Supporting People, Housing Benefit, Regeneration, Local Area Agreements.
- 14.45 BREAK
- 15.00 Regulation by the Tenant Services Authority, What follows the stock options process? What follows Decent Homes in 2010? Arms Length Management Organisations and their future, the Private Finance Initiative, New Build and Social Housing Grant, Large Scale Voluntary Transfer.
- 16.00 CLOSE

This seminar is designed for people who are not experts in housing finance, but who need to understand the basics and achieve an overview of what is going on. It is suitable for housing managers, tenant representatives, councillors and finance staff who have limited experience of the housing revenue account and others who realise that an understanding of housing finance can place them at an advantage!

This course is also available in-house. For further information about in-house courses, please contact Adrian Waite on 017683-52165 or 52347 or [adrian.waite@awics.co.uk](mailto:adrian.waite@awics.co.uk)

Please note that there are free briefing papers on housing finance posted on the 'AWICS' website at: [http://awics.co.uk/View/Page/briefing\\_papers/](http://awics.co.uk/View/Page/briefing_papers/)

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**Adrian Waite (Independent Consultancy Services) Limited**

**Our speaker **Adrian Waite** is well known for his in-depth knowledge of this subject and for his ability to present information clearly.**

Adrian Waite is Managing Director of 'Adrian Waite (Independent Consultancy Services) Limited'.

After graduating from Oxford University with a First Class Honours degree, Adrian joined West Yorkshire Metropolitan County Council as a Trainee Accountant, and became a qualified member of the Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy. He is also an Associate member of the Chartered Institute of Housing and an Honorary Fellow and President of the Institute of Public Sector Management.

Appointments at Leeds City Council and Newcastle on Tyne City Council gave Adrian experience of the finance of every local government service. In 1990, he was appointed Assistant County Treasurer at Staffordshire County Council. As Finance Director, and then Strategic Director, at Copeland Borough Council between 1993 and 1998, Adrian became conversant with every aspect of the finance and strategic management of housing.

He left Copeland Council in 1998 to work as an Independent Consultant. Since then he has worked with central government, local authorities, housing associations and tenants' associations in England, Scotland, Wales and abroad on a variety of financial and strategic issues that affect housing. He is a member of the board of Impact Housing Association and sits on the Housing Panel and Housing Technical Information Services Panel of the Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy. He was a member of the working party on funding mechanisms that was part of the Communities & Local Government and Treasury review of the financing of the housing revenue account. He has worked as an Associate Inspector with the Scottish Housing Regulator.

Adrian's recent work has included evaluating housing stock options appraisals for Regional Government Offices, carrying out housing stock options appraisals, preparing housing revenue account business plans and financial 'health checks' of housing revenue accounts, developing procurement and value for money strategies, developing financial modelling for 'new build', reviewing leaseholder service charges, modelling self-financing and acting as an Independent Tenants' Advisor. He is therefore well placed to explain housing finance as it is seen in central and local government and its impact on tenants.

### **About 'AWICS'**

'AWICS' provides a full range of ethical management consultancy and training services, principally to those who are involved in social housing.

Our mission statement is 'Independence, Integrity, Value'. We therefore provide training from an independent standpoint that is designed to help the client to achieve their objectives. We are passionate about working with the utmost integrity. We believe that we offer the best value for money that is available today!

And we publish the popular free e-newsletter for housing services – the 'AWICS Housing News'. We are big enough to make a difference – but are small enough to care!

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### How to reserve your place

- **By Fax:** Fax us on 017683 54005
- **By post:** Complete this form and send it to:  
AWICS Ltd, Appleby Business Centre, Appleby in Westmorland, Cumbria. CA16 6QH.
- **On line:** You can download this form from,  
[http://awics.co.uk/RegionalSeminars/ViewCourse/all\\_you\\_want\\_to\\_know\\_about\\_local\\_authority\\_housing\\_finance\\_2010](http://awics.co.uk/RegionalSeminars/ViewCourse/all_you_want_to_know_about_local_authority_housing_finance_2010) fill it in electronically and forward to: [bookings@awics.co.uk](mailto:bookings@awics.co.uk)
- **By Phone:** Please telephone us on 017683-52165 or 52347

**Do not send any payment:** We will confirm your booking and send an invoice.

### Delegate fees:

The cost of this seminar is £260 in London and £230 at other venues plus VAT making a total of £305.50 in London and £270.25 at the other venues. The fee includes lunch\* and book – 'All you Want to Know about Local Authority Housing Finance 2010'.

\* Please let us know if you have any special dietary requirements

**Delegate Name**                      **Position and Department**

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To enrol additional delegates, please photocopy this form.

Please state which venue and date you require \_\_\_\_\_

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Please let us know if your delegate has any particular needs.

### Booking conditions:

**Cancellations and substitutions:** A full refund will be given up to 28 days before the seminar. There after a 50% refund up to 14 days before the seminar. We regret that no refund can be given 14 days or less before the seminar.

Cancellations must be made in writing or by email and be acknowledged by AWICS.

No refund will be given for non-attendance, but delegates may substitute another delegate at any time.

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