

All You Want To Know About Local Authority Finance 2010

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Do you think that a working knowledge of local authority finance would put you and your colleagues in a position of advantage?

Whether you are in a London Borough, Metropolitan, Unitary, County or District Council or a Government Office or otherwise involved in local government; whether you are an Elected Member, Non-Financial Manager, or even a member of the Finance Team, you could benefit from one of our courses at which you will learn:

“All You Want To Know About Local Authority Finance”

What the Course includes:

- General Fund Expenditure and Income
- Local Government Finance settlement 2010/11
- Revenue Support Grant, Business Rates, Budgets and Council Tax, Specific Grants
- Financial Management
- Capital Expenditure and how it is financed
- Prudential Borrowing
- Capital Receipts
- Treasury Management
- Asset Management
- Private Finance Initiative
- Education Finance
- Social Services Finance
- Transport Finance
- Housing Revenue Account
- Superannuation Fund
- Collection Fund
- Local Area Agreements, Local Strategic Partnerships, Area Based Grant
- Comprehensive Spending Review 2010
- The Efficiency Agenda and Shared Services
- Inspection and Use of Resources
- Supplementary Business Rate, Income Generation
- The effect of the Recession on Local Government

The course is accompanied by a very useful book entitled:

“All You Want To Know About Local Authority Finance 2010”

Many people have already benefited from this course.

Venues and Dates

London: Ibis Hotel, Euston – 16th March 2010

Cumbria: Hallmark Hotel, Carlisle – 4th May 2010

Midlands: Walton Hotel, Nottingham – 14th September 2010

North: Novotel West Hotel, Worsley, Greater Manchester – 22nd November 2010

The Programme

- 10.00 Introduction and General Fund Accounting – General Fund Expenditure and Income, Local Government Finance settlement 2010/11, Revenue Support Grant, Relative Needs Formula, Relative Resource Amount, Business Rates, Budgets and Council Tax, Specific Grants, Financial Management.
- 11.15 BREAK
- 11.30 Capital Programmes – Capital Expenditure and how it is financed, Public Sector Borrowing Requirement, Prudential Borrowing, Capital Receipts, Specific Grants, European Funding, Balance Sheets, Treasury Management, Asset Management, Private Finance Initiative.
- 12.30 LUNCH
- 13.30 Specific Services and other Technical issues – Education, Social Services, Transport, Housing Revenue Account, Local Government White Paper and 'Place Shaping', Local Area Agreements, Local Strategic Partnerships, Area Based Grant, Collection Fund, Superannuation Fund.
- 14.45 BREAK
- 15.00 Local Government Finance Policy and Conclusions – Comprehensive Spending Review 2010 and the prospects for local government, the Efficiency Agenda and Shared Services, Inspection and Use of Resources, The effects of the Recession on Local Government, Pressures on Local Authority Budgets, 'Localism', Supplementary Business Rate, Income Generation, Conclusions.
- 16.00 CLOSE

This seminar is designed for people who are not experts in local government finance, but who need to understand the basics and achieve an overview of what is going on. It is suitable for non-financial managers, councillors and finance staff who have limited experience of local government finance and others who realise that an understanding of local government 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.

Please note that there are free briefing papers on local government finance posted on the 'AWICS' website at:

http://awics.co.uk/View/Page/briefing_papers/



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 local government. He lobbied successfully for changes in the revenue support grant to benefit Copeland Borough Council and was able to reduce the Council Tax for two consecutive years without reducing expenditure on front line services.

He left Copeland Council in 1998 to work as an Independent Consultant. Since then he has worked with central government and local authorities in Britain and abroad on a variety of financial and strategic issues that affect local government. He sits on the Housing Panel and Housing Technical Information Services Panel of the Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy.

With experience to Strategic Director level in a Borough Council and Assistant Director level in a County Council and as an advisor to central government and local government, Adrian has seen local government finance issues from almost every point of view.

Adrian is known for his expert knowledge of financial and management issues that affect local government and his ability to explain complex matters in a clear and understandable manner. He provides training and consultancy on all aspects of the finance and management of local government.

About 'AWICS'

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How to reserve your place

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- **By post:** Complete this form and send it to:
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- **On line:** You can download this form from
http://awics.co.uk/RegionalSeminars/ViewCourse/local_authority_finance_2010/, fill it in electronically and forward to: seminars@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 other venues. The fee includes lunch* and book – 'All you Want to Know about Local Authority Finance 2010'

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

Delegate Name **Position and Department**

To enrol additional delegates, please photocopy this form.

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

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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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