### **CCA PUBLICATIONS**

## The CCA produces a range of publications to support the work of local councillors.

Our quarterly magazine features the latest news and campaigning advice, along with articles from Members and MPs keen to share their successes and examples of best practice.

The CCA's Guide to Becoming a Conservative Councillor is a popular recruitment tool for council candidates while our Guide for New Conservative Councillors helps Members in their new role.

For Group Leaders our Post-Local Elections
Handbook, provides advice for those in control,
opposition or a no overall control situation. Other
publications include Being Effective in Opposition,
which features a number of articles from those with
experience of being in Opposition, as well as those
who went from Opposition to Control.

The CCA also works with CCHQ to put together and circulate the latest updates and guides from the Campaigning Team and other departments.



### WHO CAN JOIN THE CCA?

All elected Conservative councillors on principal councils are required by the Party Constitution to become members of the Conservative Councillors' Association.

Council candidates, parish/town councillors and Party Members who have a strong local government connection are also welcome to join the CCA. We offer different types of membership -Full, Associate, Associate Plus, and Candidate.

## **SUBSCRIBE**

## Membership of the CCA costs £35.00 a year.

For more information and to become a member, please visit our website

www.conservativecouncillors.com

Alternatively, you can contact the Conservative

Councillors' Association directly on 0330 056 8144 or at cca@conservatives.com.

Various membership opportunities are available for selected council candidates, parish councillors and Party Members at reduced rates.



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# AN INTRODUCTION TO THE CCA



#### WHAT IS THE CCA?

# The Conservative Councillors' Association is the official voice of Conservatives in local government.

The CCA exists to provide a strong and unified voice for all Conservative councillors within the Party and in the wider community.

The CCA supports councillors in their important role and provides them with the tools to both work effectively on behalf of local residents and to campaign successfully as Conservatives.

## WHO RUNS THE CCA?

## The CCA is managed by the Local Government Board.

The Board is elected annually by CCA Members with the exception of the LGA Conservative Group Leader, the CCA Secretary and the Shadow Minister for Local Government.



#### **CCA EVENTS**

## The CCA holds a number of events throughout the year.

Our main event, the annual Conservative Local Government Conference is attended by CCA Members, Shadow Ministers and key stakeholders in local government, and provides an excellent opportunity for discussion on the latest developments in local government.

The CCA hosts a number of fringe events at the Conservative Party Conference including a briefing session with our Parliamentary Local Government Team and hosts a Councillors' Lounge.

We also run a number of networking and training events throughout the year, including campaign training sessions, public speaking courses and a new councillors' training day. We also arrange an annual post-election day for Group Leaders.

The CCA plays a key role in policy development and holds policy seminars with councillors and Shadow Ministers, all designed to stimulate new thinking and share best practice across the country.



#### **CCA ONLINE**

## The CCA website provides information and advice to support our Members.

Members can access the latest campaign packs, template motions, by-election results, campaigning guides and much more in the Member Area. Weekly news emails provide Members with the most up-to-date news and

## **CCA SUPPORT**

## **Every year the CCA offers five bursaries to Members.**

These are targetted towards those councillors from groups typically under-represented within our membership, giving successful applicants free tickets to our events and an experienced mentor.

### **CCA CAMPAIGNING**

# Members can apply for campaign grants to assist with local election campaigns.

A range of guides are also available to assist with campaigning, providing advice on planning your campaign and fighting an election.

