

DALC CONFERENCE 2021: WEDNESDAY 6 OCTOBER



Zoom Room 1			Zoom Room 2			
TIME	SUBJECT/TOPIC	DESCRIPTION	SUBJECT/TOPIC	DESCRIPTION		
09:30	AGM	The Annual General Meeting of the Devon Association of Local Councils Ltd. The Board will present the Annual Report for 2020/21, members will elect new Board Members and discuss member motions. See website for agenda.				
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10:15	An update on the work of our National Association	Sue Baxter, Chairman of the National Association of Local Councils, will join us to talk about the working happening nationally; what the current priorities are for lobbying; national projects and more.				
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10:45			How your council can get involved in the Queens Jubilee Celebrations	In 2022, Her Majesty The Queen will become the first monarch to celebrate seventy years service. A range of activities are suggested for the Jubilee weekend (lighting the beacons, The Big Jubilee Lunch) as well as projects throughout the year such as the Queen's Green Canopy. The Devon's Lord Lieutenants Office will share details of the activities and how councils can get involved, and cover the ancillary matters such as street closures, emergency services and other co-ordination activities.		
11:00	Community self-help initiatives (featuring Road Warden and Snow Warden Schemes)	Community support schemes give town and parish councils the opportunity to take control of small local maintenance tasks on highways and local rights of way. From filling in pot holes, to keeping parish paths clear, to clearing snow - find out about the range of self-help initiatives your council can get involved in with speakers from Devon County Council's Highway Services Team.				
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12:30			Improving services & paperless administration	Chris Edge, EDGE IT systems, will be exploring the benefits of using the cloud in all its various formats and how it can improve services that local councils can provide.		
12:45	Community Emergency Planning after COVID-19	Martin Rich, Devon Communities Together will provide an introduction to emergency planning; including reflections on Covid-19 and how existing plans helped communities respond effectively to the crisis; and advice on how to get started in creating your councils plan.				
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13:45			Managing difficult people and conversations	Managing professional relationships effectively is important. When difficult situations present themselves its vital to have the skills to manages the challenges. This mini workshop, with Breakthrough communications, will share top tips and ideas to manage difficult relationships in a council environment.		
14:00	Quality councils	NALC's Anders Hanson will introduce the Local Council Award Scheme (LCAS) and the benefits for councils in aiming to achieve these prestigious awards. A Devon council will also share their experiences of achieving an award.				
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14:45			Blachere Illumination	An informative session featuring Blachere Illuminations environmental advances to provide lighting whilst addressing their climate responsibilities. Find out about their ECO friendly range and new summer products. Presented by Katherine Owen.		
15:00	Panel: Health and Wellbeing	How are councils supporting the health and wellbeing of their communities? Councils large and small support the health and wellbeing of their communities in a variety of ways. We welcome Great Torrington Town Council, Dawlish Town Council and Fremington Parish Council to share the projects they have been involved in for the benefit of their residents. Sponsored by Parish Online.				
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