

swine flu - councillor's briefing

Date/Time: 24 July 2009 09:15 - 13:00

Venue: Birmingham Council House

Cost: (ex VAT) £ Free Member organisation rate: £ Free

Places available

The possibility of a pandemic developing from the current swine flu outbreak is a very real risk. Currently the disease is relatively mild for most people but widespread transmission would have serious implications for councils in maintaining essential services in the face of increased public demand and staff absences due to sickness or caring responsibilities.

We plan to hold a free half day briefing session for elected members that will look at some priority issues arising from the outbreak. Expert speakers will present the characteristics of the virus and the likely prognosis; the role of elected members as community leaders and scrutineers; business continuity planning; implications for key services and the role of the LGA in a national emergency. The LGA and the Improvement and Development Agency will be launching a new guide on swine flu, aimed at elected members, at the event.

To book your place at this important event, please complete and return the booking form below, or book online via the link at the bottom of this page.

[Booking Form \(PDF, 1 page, 67KB\)](#)

A full programme will be available shortly

Please note: currently this event is open to councillors only. Officers are invited to register their interest and will be notified closer to the event if additional places become available.

Cancellation: If notification of cancellation is received after Friday 10 July 2009, or if you fail to attend on the day, an automatic administrative charge of **£75 + VAT** per person will apply. Substitute delegates are welcome. Cancellation must be notified in writing via email or fax.

Further information

- **Location**
Birmingham Council House