



HEREFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS

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FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2025-2026 HALC WILL PROVIDE

1. Local specialist guidance and advice for parish/councils

HALC is the only local source of advice specifically for parish/town councils.

Why take the risk of acting unlawfully when you have access to general and specific legal advice.

2. Friendly, informal telephone advice for clerks and councillors on parish/town council issues.

Simply telephone the HALC office for a quick friendly chat on any issue. Leave a message if we're on another call or in a meeting, and we'll get back to you as soon as we can.

Sometimes a quick conversation with a local knowledgeable person is all you need.

3. 24-hour information via member section of website.

HALC's interactive website will provide parish/town councillors and clerks with timely and wide-ranging information on local government matters.

Without HALC, information comes from time-consuming searches of the web.

4. .gov Website hosting/emails.

Why worry about data capacity or your website host closing-down – in liaison with Eyelid Productions, HALC offers business level data capacity for .gov parish/town councils.

As the grassroots tier of government, safeguard your data for future generations.

5. Training.

Comprehensive training for parish/town councillors and clerks is available at the HALC office, online or in a local venue of your choice.

Knowledge is a powerful tool and reduces the risk of making unlawful decisions!

6. CiLCA qualified clerk cover – either in an emergency or pre-booked.

If your clerk is off sick or resigns, CiLCA qualified clerk cover is available at a very competitive rate – even at short notice.

No need to go it alone when access to a qualified clerk/RFO is a phone call away.

7. Recruitment support service.

Without a clerk? For a very competitive fee, HALC will advertise, set up and attend interviews, provide paperwork, advise on salary levels, seek references and organise future appraisals.

Take the stress out of recruitment by accessing tried and tested local support.

8. Regular news bulletin – 'Information Corner'.

Keep up-to-date with local government legislation and news via HALC's news bulletin 'Information Corner' emailed to member clerks and direct to councillors upon request.

You don't know what you don't know, and ignorance is no excuse in law.

Without HALC your PC is on its own!