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during apprenticeship week

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Message from the President

Spring is definitely springing and at CIPFA that is certainly the case. It's hard to believe I am three quarters of the way through my presidential year and it is six months since our new chief executive Rob Whiteman joined us.

As I go round the regions and meet members, students, employers, partners and sponsors, I am continually amazed at how much is going on and how positive and upbeat everyone is. It is fantastic and uplifting - THANK YOU and keep it up.

You said, and we agreed, that a key priority is to strengthen CIPFA's voice. We have successfully brought on board three strong new players as strategic advisers. Ian Ball, immediate past CEO of the International Federation of Accountants (IFAC) is CIPFA's Chair of International leading our global engagement; Mike Farrar who recently stepped down as CEO of the NHS Federation joins us as Strategic Adviser, Health; and Stephen Hughes, a member well known to many as recent Chief Executive of Birmingham joins us as Strategic Adviser Local Government.

We've seen a continuing upward trend in student recruitment over the last twelve months as new starts on our public financial management qualifications doubled year on year, and with further UN agencies, as well as UNICEF joining

the existing UNDP students, we are well on target to do the same again and more.

During the UK's national apprenticeship week it was great to be at the launch of CIPFA's innovative finance apprenticeship scheme. The scheme will be rolling out from the successful West Midlands pilot where members designed the scheme together with local employers. Apprentices gain an AAT Level 4 qualification.

In relation to the development of our professional qualification, we have now made our submission to the Financial Reporting Council to be the only 'Registered Qualifying Body' for local audit, providing training and registration services to members and firms providing public audit services following the abolition of the Audit Commission.

Finally, I was pleased to see the Commission make its press announcement that the 'national counter-fraud function will go to safe hands'CIPFA's! The function will transfer at the end of March 2015, to a new public sector 'Counter Fraud Centre' at CIPFA.

As we promised six months ago, CIPFA will be changing at pace and scale. Please keep contributing to the way forward and watch this space.



**Jaki Salisbury,
President**



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Technical and policy round-up

First authoritative study into financial reporting for NPOs

The Consultative Committee of Accountancy Bodies (CCAB) has published the first comprehensive international study into International Financial Reporting Standards for not-for-profit organisations (NPOs).

The study assessed the need and demand for stronger financial standards for NPOs internationally, and included a survey which received over 600 responses from 179 countries.

There appears to be support for an international standard with 72% of respondents agreeing it would be useful.

‘This report clearly demonstrates that there is desire for some kind of international standard for the not-for-profit sector’

Ian Carruthers, Chair of the research steering group and CIPFA’s Policy & Technical Director

Responding to the findings, Ian Carruthers said:

‘Strengthening transparency and accountability, while potentially reducing costs through consistency in reporting requirements would go a long way in supporting NPOs, donors and those they serve around the world.’

Visit the CIPFA Charities & Social Enterprises Panel website for a link to the report: www.cipfa.org/policy-and-guidance/technical-panels-and-boards/charities-and-social-enterprises-panel

CIPFA/LASAAC consults on accounting for schools in local authorities

CIPFA/the Local Authority (Scotland) Accounts Advisory Committee (LASAAC) is running a consultation on *Accounting for Schools in Local Authorities in England and Wales* relating to the *Code of Practice on Local Authority Accounting in the United Kingdom 2014/15 (the Code)*, until 4 April 2014.

Accounting for Schools in Local Authorities in England and Wales was produced by the joint HM Treasury and CIPFA/LASAAC Public Sector Accounting for Schools Working Group.

The working group was set up after a CIPFA/LASAAC consultation in 2012, which suggested that voluntary

controlled, voluntary aided and foundation schools should no longer be consolidated into local authority accounts, and there were objections to this approach.

The working group has now concluded that voluntary controlled, voluntary aided and foundation schools should after all still be consolidated into local authority accounts, and the consultation seeks to find out whether consultees agree with this.

Find out more at: www.cipfa.org/policy-and-guidance/consultations/single-issue-itc-accounting-for-schools-in-local-authorities

CIPFA consults on LGPS-specific supplement to the Role of the CFO in Local Government

CIPFA is inviting comments on a supplement to the *Role of the Chief Finance Officer (CFO) in Local Government* which explains the principles of the role of the CFO in the context of the financial administration of the Local Government Pension Scheme (LGPS).

This statement is addressed primarily to those CFO’s holding the chief finance officer position in local authorities that are LGPS administering authorities.

However all local authority CFOs will have some interaction with the LGPS and should therefore possess the necessary technical knowledge and skills to engage with the administering authority as an ‘intelligent client’ of the fund.

The consultation is available at: www.cipfa.org/policy-and-guidance/consultations/role-of-the-cfo-in-the-local-government-pension-scheme

The closing date is Friday 9 May 2014. Please address any comments to Nigel Keogh at: nigel.keogh@cipfa.org.





The Sir Harry Page Merit Award

Sir Harry Page Merit Award 2014 – now open for nominations

Nominations are invited, from any part of the public services, or those working with the public services, for the Harry Page Award, which recognises technical innovation in public sector accounting and financial management.

Individuals and groups can be nominated for this award. Last year the award was won by a team from the Department for Work and Pensions for their work managing risk and uncertainty (Read more about why the team won the award at: www.publicfinance.co.uk/news/2013/07/dwp-team-given-harry-page-merit-award).

More details of how to nominate, and about the award, are available from CIPFA's awards page: www.cipfa.org/About-CIPFA/Awards.

Alternatively please email julian.smith@cipfa.org to request your copy of the award information brochure and nomination form.

The closing date for nominations for this year's Award is: 9 May 2014

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Get compliance right to maximise recovery

Across the country local authorities are preparing for the enforcement changes within the Taking Control of Goods Regulations 2013 that are being introduced on April 6.

The enforcement regulations are split into the following main stages:

- Compliance – £75.00
- Enforcement – £235.00
- Disposal of goods – £110.00

At the moment local authorities are having conversations with their enforcement agents about what they

expect them to provide for the £75 fee. It is vital that time is taken to get this stage right to maximise recovery and avoid:

- an additional £235 in fees being charged
- and facing complaints from debtors.

So here are a few questions to get you started:

- Do you want to have the same compliance procedure for every debt, or do you want to vary it on type or value?
- Do you want to review debts before they pass into enforcement for certain criteria?

- How do you want the enforcement agent to treat those that constantly miss payments under their agreed arrangements?

Things on the list you hadn't considered? If so you might want to think about becoming a member of CIPFA revenues Consortium because as a group we have thought about these and many more issues, learning from others and picking up great ideas.

Find about more about the CIPFA Benefits and Revenues Service at: www.cipfa.org/CBRS

Governance and institute matters

Finance apprenticeship launch

During National Apprenticeship Week CIPFA launched a finance apprenticeship scheme, after the successful pilot in the West Midlands, last year.

The pilot saw apprentices based at public sector and partner organisations across the region and working within areas as diverse as public health, local government and accountancy.

Designed to attract individuals to a career in public finance, the one-year apprenticeship is managed by CIPFA, allowing employers to focus on cultivating new talent within their organisations.

Apprentices on the scheme gain valuable work experience at the same time as studying for a professional

‘A fantastic example of how CIPFA is developing partnerships to widen access to the accountancy profession, enable young people to build rewarding careers, and grow the next generation of public financial managers.’

Rob Whiteman, CIPFA Chief Executive

accountancy qualification. The apprenticeship provides apprentices with an Association of Accounting Technicians (AAT) Level 4 qualification.

Speaking at the launch event Rob Whiteman, CIPFA Chief Executive, said:

‘It is a real privilege to be announcing the launch of this innovative and exciting apprenticeship training programme for young people. The fact that it has met with such enthusiasm from sponsors, employers and apprentices during the pilot shows the strength of the scheme.

‘The involvement of major employers in this scheme means that the apprentices will have the opportunity to gain invaluable work experience alongside their studies in public finance.

Annual Members' Statement

CIPFA Qualified Members should submit their Annual Members' Statements by 31 March 2014. If you have not yet submitted your members' statement please ensure you do so before this date.

All designated CPFA's are required to complete the members' statement annually as this is your declaration that you have participated in CIPFA's continuing development scheme in 2013, or that you have been granted exemption. It is also confirmation as to whether you need to hold a CIPFA Practising Certificate or not.

The Annual Members' Statement can be accessed via your 'My CIPFA' account on the CIPFA website at www.cipfa.org.

If you need any assistance or have any queries about accessing your My CIPFA account, completing your members' statement or paying your membership fee please contact the Membership team on +44(0) 20 3117 1880 or email membership@cipfa.org.

Renewal of CIPFA Membership

Renewal of membership fees became due on **1 January 2014**.

Members and students whose subscription has not been renewed by 31 March 2014 will have their membership suspended and access to services will cease.

Renewal invoices are available in your 'My Purchases' page in your 'My CIPFA' account on our website. You can pay securely by credit or debit card receiving an instant receipt; or you can print off your invoice to pass to your employer if they pay your membership on your behalf.

Full details of how to pay your membership fee, including by direct debit, can be found on the website at www.cipfa.org/Membership/Fees-and-Subscriptions/How-to-Pay.

Do you know how effective your finance function is?

CIPFA has developed a user survey to enable your organisation to benchmark

against others on key aspects of your finance function.

The survey can be undertaken online or on paper and covers the following key areas: budget setting; budget management; budget / finance support and other aspects of the finance service.

The questionnaire and manual are freely available. Charged for services include: running the survey on your behalf, analysing and reporting on the survey findings, and collating an organisation's raw data for benchmarking purposes.

If you would like to find out more about this survey or wish to obtain the full set of questions and manual of guidance, then please contact Tanya Rowan, Research Advisor at CIPFA on 01243 373 044 or at research@cipfa.org

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CIPFA supports the Big Issue Foundation on London to Paris bike ride

As part of CIPFA's commitment to raise money for the Big Issue Foundation CIPFA will be supporting the Big Issue team for the 2014 London to Paris Charity Bike Ride, taking place 24 - 27 July 2014.

The team will cycle 230 miles over three days finishing in Paris in time to see the Tour de France final stage. If you would like to join them or sponsor them find out more at: www.bigissue.org.uk/event/london-paris-bike-ride

'The Big Issue Cycle Ride certainly ranks as one of the best experiences I've ever had. The trip was fantastic fun and challenging, totally rewarding in terms of the financial support the trip generated for the phenomenal charity that is the Big Issue Foundation. Plus arriving in Paris in time to witness a British win of the Tour de France was an incredible bonus and totally awesome!!'

Kerry Lock, London to Paris Participant



Last year's Big Issue Foundation cycling team

Don't forget about CIPFA rewards

As a CIPFA member you are automatically eligible to access CIPFA Rewards, which contains money-saving discounts, designed to save you time and money in both your personal and professional life.

There is no sign up process, nor any extra charge, you have access to CIPFA Rewards by virtue of your membership.

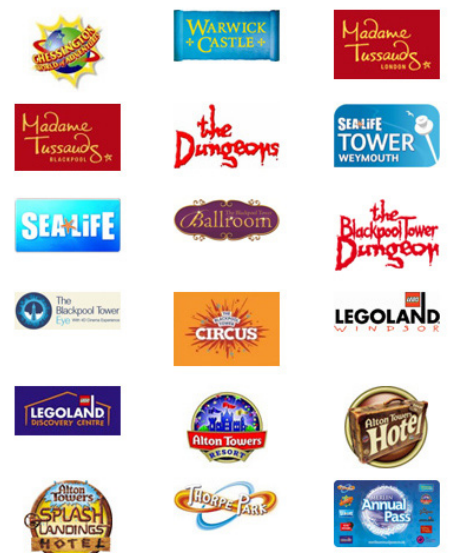
The top five most popular discounts accessed on CIPFA Rewards include:

1. huge discounts on tickets with Cinema Benefits
2. a discount voucher off a case of wine at Naked Wines

3. great savings on Package Holidays from Travellers Advantage
4. a FREE foreign exchange MasterCard from FairFX
5. UK attraction discounts from Merlin Entertainment.

At a time when every penny really does count, CIPFA Rewards has been designed to make your membership even more rewarding. T&Cs apply.

See www.cipfarewards.co.uk/promo201403a.htm to find out more.



Welcome to new members

A warm welcome goes out to the people listed below who became CIPFA qualified members since the last edition of Spreadsheet.

May we wish you a long and prosperous career. Don't forget that as a **CIPFA Member** you can use the designation **CPFA** and term yourself a Chartered Public Finance Accountant.

Ali Hassan Azam

KPMG LLP

Vikesh Barchha

KPMG LLP

Corrina Bradley

Staffordshire Fire and Rescue Service

Hannah Elizabeth Collins

KPMG LLP

Taziveyi Dangarembga

Home Office

Blyth Deans

Audit Scotland

Ellie Dunnet

Grant Thornton UK LLP

Stephen Edmonds

Somerset County Council

Juliana Ernecova

Leeds City Council

Jonathan David Foster

Leeds City Council

Ian Irwin

Ten Feet Sports & Entertainment

Mark John Jarvis

London Borough of Havering

Kevin Laing

Newcastle City Council

William Edward Mallott

Grant Thornton UK LLP

Emdadul Haque Jhangir Mannan

Ascham Homes

Andrew Maynard

London Borough of Lambeth

Gordon McAllister

Audit Scotland

Kelly Nightingale

Next

Katie Penfold

Solihull Metropolitan Borough Council

James Joseph Pitts

Grant Thornton UK LLP

Victoria Roden

University of London

Nicholas Smith

Audit Scotland

Martin Anthony Spurrell

Metropolitan Police Service

Karan Singh Tara

Walsall Metropolitan Borough Council

Andreas Toumba

Home Office

Suzanne Marie Truman

North Yorkshire County Council

Graeme Steven Utting

Grant Thornton UK LLP

Martin Williams

Department of the Environment

Regions

Another successful joint CIPFA in the North East and AAT event

CIPFA in the North East held another joint event with AAT, at the Centre for Life, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, on the evening of Thursday 6 February. Almost 50 members of both institutes attended.

Three corporate responsibility leaders from both the public and private sectors explained their views and approach to corporate responsibility (including sustainability). They set out how it delivers organisational benefits, improved employee engagement and leads to bottom line savings.

Emma Teare, of Business in the Community, covered what corporate responsibility means for different organisations, the key elements of a corporate responsibility strategy, and the benefits for business and wider society. David Jukes and Melanie Maughan, of the NHS Business Services Authority, explained their organisation's Corporate Responsibility journey, from legal compliance to best practice.



The Centre for Life, Newcastle-upon-Tyne

Dates announced for the Midlands Sixth Form Management Games

The dates have been announced for the 2014 Midlands Sixth Form Management Games, which will take place on the 18 and 25 of June and the 2 and 9 of July.

The games give students the opportunity to run a fictitious public sector organisation for the day. Each student assumes the role of a member of the university's management team and is tasked with juggling the relationship between the university budget, student needs and many other, often contradictory, objectives.

The game is intended to help fill a gap in business studies courses which concentrate on commercial activities and often do not cover the public sector.

The locations of last year's management games included: Nottingham, Stafford, Wolverhampton, Birmingham and Leicester.

CIPFA in the Midlands is looking for help with the games from members, retired members and students. If you could help, find out more at: www.cipfa.org/regions/midlands/sixth-form-management-games and email: cimgames@cipfa.org.uk to volunteer.

It's AGM time around the UK

Regional branches around the country have been holding their AGMs, your chance to find out what your regional executive has been working on in the past year, and plans for the future.

Successful AGMs have already taken place in the Midlands and Yorkshire and Humber. AGMs are also due in the North East on 28 March, and on 11 April in the South East and North West.

To find out if there is still time to attend your regional AGM, and browse other regional branch events, go to: www.cipfa.org/Regional_branch_events

Students

Student in Bangladesh scores 98%

Congratulations to Md. Mamun-Ul Mannan who scored a near perfect 98%, the best global performance in the IPFM Financial Accounting exam, in his December exams.

He was part of a cohort of 56 staff from the Office of the Comptroller and Auditor General in Bangladesh who gained their CIPFA IPFM certificate and will now be invited to study the CIPFA Diploma in IPFM (Dip IPFM). The whole cohort achieved some excellent results.

Speaking on the exam results, Alan Edwards, CIPFA's International Director, commented:

'I would like to offer my congratulations to all participants for their hard work in what is another impressive set of exam results. It is clear that the qualification offers a brilliant opportunity for finance professionals to advance their careers in the public sector.'

'The qualifications earned will help strengthen and provide good public financial management around the world, as we continue to face extraordinarily challenging financial times.'

'Finally, a special congratulations to Md. Mamun-Ul Mannan, on what is a superb achievement.'



CIPFA Student News

CIPFA students should keep an eye out for the next e-newsletter from the Student Support team, which will shortly be hitting inboxes.

Included in it will be tips for handling multiple choice questions successfully, given that they will feature in some Professional Qualification exams for the first time in the June 2014 exams. There will also be other pieces of information relevant to students sitting exams this year, including detail on some changes of a presentational nature being made in exam papers this year.

Students are also reminded to regularly check the Student News section on the website for updates relevant to studying with CIPFA. This can be found at www.cipfa.org/training-and-qualifications/professional-qualification/student-news

Exam dates 2015 and beyond

With increasing numbers of employers and students requiring faster release of exam results, we have been doing some thinking about how we can make this happen.

As you will appreciate there are a number of parameters that we have to take into account. One change we are looking at is from 2015 to move the exams from their traditional early June/December cycle.

We are keen to hear the opinions of sponsoring employers and will be contacting employers with a short survey in the near future. This will contain our rationale and some proposals for changes to exam dates from 2015. We will also publish the details in Student News on the CIPFA website. www.cipfa.org/training-and-qualifications/professional-qualification/student-news

June 2014 exam entry

Professional Qualification students and their sponsors are reminded that entry for the June 2014 exams closes on 31 March.

Students also need to apply for any special arrangements required for their exams by the same date. Students should also ensure that they are fully familiar with the details contained in the Assessment Regulations.

Details can be found at www.cipfa.org/training-and-qualifications/professional-qualification/exams



CIPFA NSF to become CIPFA Student Network

The CIPFA NSF is going to be re-launched at the student strand of the CIPFA Annual Conference to provide even more student support, wherever you are.

The new student network will support students globally and represent student concerns at the highest levels of CIPFA (at the CIPFA council and key CIPFA boards). This representation will make sure that students are truly involved with developments of the Professional Qualification (PQ), and the delivery of member services.

The new network will guide students globally and help them as they progress through the PQ. It will also help them to develop new skills to progress their careers (CV skills, PEP submission, CPD, Communication skills etc).

Watch this space for further information about the launch, or be there at the conference to see it for yourself on Wednesday 02 July.

www.cipfaannualconference.org.uk



CIPFA Qualification provides better value for money

Did you know that according to the latest independent research from Working in Accountancy 2014, as highlighted in PQ magazine, the CIPFA Professional Qualification provides better value for money than ACCA and CIMA.

The cost of putting a trainee through the CIPFA professional qualification is £6,500 cheaper than ACCA and £4,500 cheaper than CIMA.

The research also praised CIPFA as having the highest average pass rate which is 72% - meaning your investment in your staff is secure and you won't have to pay to re-train individuals.

Follow the Twitter account just for you

CIPFA has set up a brand new twitter account for students and people who are considering becoming CIPFA students.

Follow us at **@CIPFAfutures** for information about traineeships, careers events, tips and more.

We also want to hear from you. So tweet **@CIPFAfutures** about CIPFA student life.



Events

Conferences

CIPFA AUDIT CONFERENCE 2014
May 14-15 May, Winchester.

The only national conference dedicated to audit in the public services. This conference will address the challenges and risks at the top of the audit agenda – providing the essential public sector context.

www.cipfa.org/events/cipfa-audit-conference-2014

For sponsorship and exhibition opportunities please contact Brett.Crabtree@cipfa.org

Save the dates

Save the dates for these conferences. Online booking will be opening soon at www.cipfa.org/events, in the meantime use the email addresses below to book your place.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTING AND FINANCE CONFERENCES
15 July and 22 July, London and Midlands/ North (exact location tbc)

The exact locations are yet to be confirmed, but the topics covered will include:

- The 2014/15 Accounting Code and Future Developments
- Whole of Government Accounts
- Setting the Code - The Role of CIPFA/LASAAC and LAAP; Guidance vs Standards
- Simplifying the Accounts
rikki.ellsmore@cipfa.org

CIPFA HOUSING CONFERENCE
23 May, London
michael.lewis@cipfa.org

IT AUDIT SEMINAR
18 June Birmingham
Hannah.harding@cipfa.org

Training

BUSINESS INNOVATION WORKOUT PROGRAMME
08 April, London

A course that boosts the capability of managers to innovate using the latest thinking on how to drive business innovation effectively.

www.cipfa.org/events/b/business-innovation-workout-programme-20140408

BUSINESS PARTNERING – MAKING THE TRANSITION
19 May 2014

Limited resources and a move towards a more commercial ethos mean efficiency and innovation is the key. This is a key course for finance professionals who wish to step up to become partners / business advisers.

www.cipfa.org/events/b/business-partnering-making-the-transition-20140519

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[Finance for financial professionals](#)

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Accredited training

CERTIFICATE IN CORPORATE GOVERNANCE
Starts 16 April, Cardiff

www.cipfa.org/events/c/certificate-in-corporate-governance-20140416

CERTIFICATE IN CONTRACT MANAGEMENT
24 April, Edinburgh

www.cipfa.org/events/c/certificate-in-contract-management-20140424

CERTIFICATE IN MANAGEMENT PRACTICE: FINANCIAL SKILLS

Starts 5 February, Belfast

www.cipfa.org/events/c/certificate-in-management-practice--financial-skills-20140122

PRINCE2® FOR THE PUBLIC SECTOR E-LEARNING, ONLINE

www.cipfa.org/events/accredited-training/prince-2-e-learning

PRINCE2 FOUNDATION

Starts 9 June, Cardiff

www.cipfa.org/events/p/prince2-foundation-20140609

Starts 12 May, Belfast

www.cipfa.org/events/p/prince2-foundation-level-20140512

Starts 21 July, Edinburgh

www.cipfa.org/events/p/prince2-foundation-20140721

Starts 29 September, Cardiff

www.cipfa.org/events/p/prince2-foundation-20140929

Starts 08 December, Cardiff

www.cipfa.org/events/p/prince2-foundation-20141208

Starts 19 May, Edinburgh

www.cipfa.org/events/p/prince2-foundation-20140519

PRINCE2 PRACTITIONER

Starts 12 June, Cardiff
www.cipfa.org/events/p/prince2-practitioner-20140612

Starts 15 May, Belfast
www.cipfa.org/events/p/prince2-practitioner-level-20140515

Starts 24 July, Edinburgh
www.cipfa.org/events/p/prince2-practitioner-20140724

Starts 02 October, Cardiff
www.cipfa.org/events/p/prince2-practitioner-20141002

Starts 11 December, Cardiff
www.cipfa.org/events/p/prince2-practitioner-20141211

Starts 18 December, Belfast
www.cipfa.org/events/p/prince2-practitioner-level-20140515

Starts 22 May, Edinburgh
www.cipfa.org/events/p/prince2-practitioner-20140522

PRINCE2 FOUNDATION AND PRACTITIONER

Starts 9 June, Cardiff
www.cipfa.org/events/p/prince2-foundation-and-practitioner-20140609

Starts 12 May, Belfast
www.cipfa.org/events/p/prince2-foundation-and-practitioner-level-20140512

Starts 21 July, Edinburgh
www.cipfa.org/events/p/prince2-foundation-and-practitioner-20140721

Starts 29 September, Cardiff
www.cipfa.org/events/p/prince2-foundation-and-practitioner-20140929

Starts 08 December, Cardiff
www.cipfa.org/events/p/prince2-foundation-and-practitioner-20141212

Starts 15 December, Cardiff
www.cipfa.org/events/p/prince2-foundation-and-practitioner-level-20141215

Starts 19 May, Edinburgh
www.cipfa.org/events/p/prince2-foundation-and-practitioner-20140519

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Regional events

NORTHERN IRELAND BRANCH EVENTS

Book any of the following events, at the CIPFA Northern Ireland Office, at: www.cipfa.org/regions/northern-ireland/lunchtime-events

Transforming the finance function

8 April

Social media - risks and rewards

14 May

Effective partnership working

12 June

What to look for in a business case

11 September

CIPFA NI Annual Conference

25 September

Technical accounting update

23 October

Annual audit update

28 November

YORKSHIRE AND HUMBER

CIPFA in Yorkshire and Humber: speaking of finance
 2 April and 9 April

These workshops are a friendly and informal introduction to the principles of communicating financial information. Reader-friendly, succinct information saves time, shortens meetings and aids decision-making because everyone understands the facts. Plus it adds to your reputation as an excellent communicator.

www.cipfa.org/events/c/cipfa-in-yorkshire-and-humber-speaking-of-finance-20140402

www.cipfa.org/events/c/cipfa-in-yorkshire-and-humber-speaking-of-finance-20140409

CIPFA in Yorkshire and Humber with IRRV why a corporate approach to tackling financial imperatives and fraud is more important than ever before
 7 May

Attend this event to learn about corporate fraud and the associated financial imperatives and rules. This session will provide background, updates on current fraud issues, and explain why a corporate approach (across partners if possible) is the best approach.

www.cipfa.org/events/c/cipfa-in-yorkshire-and-humber-with-irrv--why-a-corporate-approach-to-tackling-financial-imperatives-and-fraud-is-more-important-than-ever-before-20140507

SOUTH EAST

CIPFA South East spring conference and AGM
 10 April

CIPFA South East's Spring Conference and AGM is your opportunity to take stock and look to the future. After years of gloom and recession, we now have a strengthening economy and considerable experience of adapting to change. Attend this free event to hear from expert speakers about how you and your organisation can continue to adapt and succeed.

www.cipfa.org/events/c/cipfa-in-the-south-east-2014-spring-conference-and-agm-20140410

NORTH WEST

CIPFA in the North West The long migration to growth
11 April

This event will explore the impact of austerity on organisations, how they are surviving, what they are doing to overcome it, and in some cases how they are being successful during tough times – proving that there is nothing like a crisis to bring out the best in people.

www.cipfa.org/events/c/cipfa-in-the-north-west-the-long-migration-to-growth-20140411

CIPFA in the North West AGM
11 April

The North West region annual general meeting, which will include: a review of the 2013 and address for 2014, by Gill Kilpatrick, North West President; Annual Report, election of officers and co-options to Council, by Gill Kilpatrick, and an Annual Statement of Accounts, by David Hodgkinson, CIPFA North West Treasurer.

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