**Chairman’s Update**

This report covers the Chairman’s activities in the period since the last Councillors’ Forum: 8 March – 7June 2018.

**LGA and Ministerial/Parliamentary business**

12 March Lord Bourne of Aberystwyth (Parliamentary Under Secretary of State) - Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government

15 March Rt Hon Nicky Morgan MP (Chair, Treasury Committee)

20 March Northamptonshire District Council Leaders meeting with Rishi Sunak MP (Parliamentary Under Secretary of State) - Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government

20 March APPG for the Private Rented Sector

28 March Brandon Lewis MP (Minister without Portfolio) and Suella Braverman MP (Parliamentary Under Secretary of State) - Department for Exiting the European Union

16 April 4 associations (COSLA, WLGA, NILGA, LGA) meeting with Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government - EU (Withdrawal) Bill

23 April Jake Berry MP (Parliamentary Under Secretary of State) - Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government

30 April All-Party Parliamentary Group on Housing & Care for Older People

1 May Rt Hon James Brokenshire MP (Secretary of State) - Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government

2 May All-Party Parliamentary Fire Safety & Rescue Group

9 May Lincolnshire Leaders meeting with Jake Berry MP (Parliamentary Under Secretary of State) - Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government

6 June Lord Bourne of Aberystwyth (Parliamentary Under Secretary of State) - Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government

**Meetings with organisations and individuals**

10 May Tony Pidgley (Chairman) - Berkeley Group)

14 May Minette Batters (President), Terry Jones (Director General) – National Farmers Union

23 May Ambassador Mark Regev - Embassy of Israel

**Events and speaking engagements**

13 March Local Authority Building Control annual policy conference

21 March LGC Awards 2018

17 April Luton DART - breaking ground ceremony

24 April Westminster Social Policy Forum Seminar – Social housing policy in England

24 April Millicent Fawcett statue unveiling

24 April 110th anniversary of the Builders Merchants Federation Parliamentary reception

1 May CSJ Housing roundtable

2 May UK Housing Awards 2018 reception

9 May Federation of Master Builders Report Launch

9 May Planning Futures Summer Parliamentary Reception

17 May DCN Spring assembly

21 May Bright Futures exhibition

4 June Chamberlain Lecture with The Rt Hon the Lord Heseltine