

Membership and Terms of Reference for 2018/19

Purpose

For discussion and decision.

Summary

For Members to note the membership, and agree the Terms of Reference of the Resources Board for 2018/19.

Recommendations

Members of the Resources Board are asked to:

1. Note the membership of the Board for 2018/19 (table one);
2. Agree the Board's Terms of Reference for 2018/19 (paragraph 1 – 12); and
3. Agree to Membership of any Outside Bodies (paragraph 13 onwards)

Action

Officers to take any actions as required.

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Table One

Councillor	Authority
Conservative (8)	
Cllr John Fuller (Vice Chairman)	South Norfolk District Council
Cllr Philip Atkins OBE	Staffordshire County Council
Cllr Hilary Carrick	Cumbria County Council
Cllr David Harvey *	Westminster City Council
Cllr Roger Phillips	Herefordshire Council
Cllr Byron Rhodes	Leicestershire County Council
Cllr Richard Wenham *	Central Bedfordshire Council
Cllr David Finch	Essex County Council
Substitutes	
Cllr Andrew Joy **	Hampshire County Council
Cllr Andrew Leadbetter	Exeter City Council
Cllr Ian McCord **	South Northamptonshire Council
Labour (7)	
Cllr Richard Watts (Chair)	London Borough of Islington
Cllr Tom Beattie	Corby Borough Council
Cllr Peter Marland	Milton Keynes Council
Cllr Sharon Taylor OBE	Stevenage Borough Council
Cllr Peter Kelley *	Preston Council
Cllr Sian Timoney	Luton Borough Council
Cllr Sue Murphy *	Manchester City Council
Substitutes	
Cllr John Fillis **	Lancashire County Council
Cllr Amanda Serjeant	Chesterfield Borough Council
Cllr John Merry **	Salford Council
Liberal Democrat (2)	
Cllr Claire Hudson (Deputy Chair)	Mendip District Council
Cllr Adam Paynter	Cornwall Council
Substitutes	
Cllr Simon Shaw	Sefton Metropolitan Borough Council
Independent (1)	
Cllr Gillian Corr (Deputy Chair)	Stocton-on-Tees Council
Substitutes	
Cllr Geoff Knight **	Lancaster Council

* New Board Members

** New Board Substitutes

Terms of Reference

Purpose of Committee: Resources Board

1. The LGA's Resources Board will shape and develop the Association's policies and programmes in line with the LGA priorities in relation to: Local Government Finance; Welfare Reform; EU Funding and Workforce issues.

Specific responsibilities

2. Local Government Finance: issues relating to the financing of local government expenditure. The Chair of the Resources Board also chairs the LGA's Task and Finish Group on Business Rates Retention and the Fair Funding Review
3. Welfare Reform: issues relating to welfare reform.
4. EU Funding: issues relating to current EU funding and the future design and delivery of replacement funding.
5. Workforce Issues: including pay and reward; productivity; pensions; the role and responsibilities of the employers the LGA represent; workforce development; equalities; and other strategic workforce challenges.

Operational accountabilities

6. Boards will seek to involve councillors in supporting the delivery of these priorities (through task groups, Special Interest Groups (SIGs), regional networks and other means of wider engagement); essentially operating as the centre of a network connecting to all councils and drawing on the expertise of key advisors from the sector.
7. The Resources Board will be responsible for:
 - 7.1 Ensuring the priorities of councils are fed into the business planning process.
 - 7.2 Developing a work programme to deliver their brief, covering lobbying, campaigns, research, improvement support and events and linking with other boards where appropriate.
 - 7.3 Sharing good practice and ideas to stimulate innovation and improvement.
 - 7.4 Representing and lobbying on behalf of the LGA, including making public statements on its areas of responsibility.
 - 7.5 Building and maintaining relationships with key stakeholders.
 - 7.6 Involving representatives from councils in its work, through task groups, Commissions, SIGs, regional networks and mechanisms.
 - 7.7 Responding to specific issues referred to the Board by one or more member councils or groupings of councils.

7.8 Providing views, as appropriate, to inform the decision making responsibilities of the national negotiating committees and the Local Government Pension Committee.

8. The Resources Board may:

8.1 Appoint members to relevant outside bodies in accordance with the Political Conventions.

8.2 Appoint member champions from the Board to lead on key issues.

Quorum

9. One third of the members, provided that representatives of at least 2 political groups represented on the body are present.

Political Composition

Conservative group	8 members
Labour group:	7 members
Liberal Democrat group:	2 members
Independent group:	1 member

10. Substitute members from each political group may also be appointed.

Frequency per year

11. Meetings to be five times per annum.

Reporting Accountabilities

12. The LGA Executive provides oversight of the Board. The Board may report periodically to the LGA Executive as required, and will submit an annual report to the Executive's July meeting.

Outside Bodies

13. Currently the Board has selected one Member to one Outside Body:

13.1 Cllr Sharon Taylor – Enforcement Law Reform Group – appointed March 2018.