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Outside bodies feedback from Members

Purpose of report

For information.

Summary

This paper provides Members with the opportunity to **feedback** on recent meetings of outside bodies at which they have represented the Board. The Councillors' Forum has not met since the July Board so there are no new Chair's reports to attach.

Recommendation

Members currently representing the Programme Board on outside bodies are asked to **provide any appropriate feedback** from recent meetings, details of which are enclosed.

Actions

Subject to comments from the Board, officers to take forward any suggested actions.

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Recent

Title	Date
Broadband Seminar	26 July 2011
Cllr Chris White gave the opening speech at a seminar for councils about developing Local Broadband Plans, which is the first step in accessing government funding to support the rollout of superfast broadband. The event was organised in partnership with BDUK and there were over 40 delegates. Cllr White highlighted that councils are ideally placed to join-up the rollout of broadband with digital inclusion and service transformation.	
Richard Lewis and Jennie Price, Chair and Chief Executive of Sport England	28 July 2011
Cllr Stephen Castle met Sport England to discuss the LG Group's response to consultation on Sport England's new strategy. Cllr Castle emphasised that local councils fund the majority of this country's community sport infrastructure and will be key players in helping Sport England achieve its objectives and in particular a grass roots sporting legacy from the 2012 Games. It was agreed to arrange a further discussion in the Autumn with the Board Chair.	

In addition, Cllr Chris White is due to attend three meetings in the week after the Board papers have been circulated. Members will be updated on the outcome of these meetings at the Board:

- British Hospitality Association, 5 September 2011
- John Penrose MP, Tourism, Heritage, Licensing and Minister, 6 September 2011
- Nations and Regions Members' Meeting, 8 September 2011

Forthcoming

Title	Date	Attendees
Future of culture and sport conference	22 September 2011	Cllr Chris White is giving a plenary address

Title	Date	Attendees
Visit to Herefordshire County Council's superfast broadband pilot	30 September 2011	Cllr Chris White
LOCOG / LG Group catch-up	30 September 2011	Cllr Simon Henig (in view of changes to the Board's Membership, other Lead Members are also invited to attend).
Social Legacy Board	6 October 2011	Cllr Chris White
Ed Vaizey MP, Culture Minister	TBC	Cllr Chris White
Ministerial Meeting on Broadband	10 October 2011	Cllr Chris White