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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 Chair's report for December and January is attached as **Appendix A**.

Recommendation

Members currently representing the Culture, Tourism and Sport 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 Culture, Tourism and Sport Programme Board, officers to take forward any suggested actions.

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Recent

| Title | Date |
|---------------------------|------------------|
| Meeting with VisitEngland | 28 November 2011 |

Chris White and Sir Merrick Cockell met Penelope, Viscountess Cobham, Chairman of VisitEngland to discuss local enterprise partnerships and the 'growing tourism locally' project.

Member leadership academy for portfolio holders for sport 29/30 November 2011

Chris White and Simon Henig spoke at the member leadership academy for portfolio holders for sport, which the LGA organised in partnership with Sport England. They highlighted the importance of strong local political leadership and the opportunities for sport presented by localism, public health reforms, commissioning and the 2012 Games.

Visitor Economy Forum

1 December 2011

Chris White attended the inaugural meeting of the Visitor Economy Forum. Representatives from industry and the public sector discussed key issues facing the visitor economy, including the opportunities presented by Tourism Business Improvement Districts.

Nations and Regions (NRG) meeting

6 December 2011

Chris White attended the Nations and Regions (NRG) meeting on 6 December, where he re-iterated the LGA's position that we will continue to work in partnership with NRG to ensure a safe and successful Games are delivered, with councils playing a full part in making this happen.

Modernising Library Services event

6 December 2011

Portfolio holders for libraries from around the country came together at LGA on 6 December to share their experiences of modernising library services.

Meeting with the Reading Agency

13 December 2011

Chris White met Miranda McKearney, Chief Executive of the Reading Agency, on 13 December. They discussed the changing role of public libraries in supporting literacy and agreed to explore a roundtable and conference in 2012.



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| All Party Parliamentary Group (APPG) on libraries | 14 December 2011 |
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| Chris White attended the launch of the All Party Parliamenta | ary Group on libraries on |

14 December. The LGA has offered to participate in the APPG's work.

2012 Games Task and Finish Group 15 December 2011

Chris White represented the CTS Board at the first meeting of the LGA 2012 Games Task and Finish Group. He highlighted CTS Board's lobbying on the Torch Relay and the need for transport operators to work much more closely with councils when planning how services will be altered during the Games.

The following appointments are scheduled to take place between this paper being published and the board meeting on 18th January 2012. The attendees will give an oral update on the outcome of these meetings.

| Title | Date | Attendees |
|--|--------------------|-----------------------------------|
| London 2012 and Glasgow 2014 Parliamentary Reception | 12 January 2012 | Simon Henig and Andrew Lewer |
| Meeting with Institute for the Management of Sport and Physical Activity (IMSPA) | 16 January 2012 | Chris White |
| Local Government APPG – culture and regeneration | 17 January 2012 | Chris White and Andrew Lewer |
| Meeting with London 2012 Organising Committee (LOCOG) | 17 January 2012 | Simon Henig and Stephen Castle |
| Meeting with Sport and Recreation Alliance (SRA) | 17 January 2012 | Chris White |



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Forthcoming

| Title | Date | Attendees |
|--|---------------------|-------------------------------|
| Meeting British Hospitality Association (BHA) | 26 January 2012 | Chris White |
| LGA Licensing Conference | 26 January 2012 | Chris White |
| Member steering group Olympic Resilience (at London Councils) | 30 January 2012 | Chris White Stephen Castle |
| Member leadership programme for sport portfolio holders (London) | 30 January 2012 | Chris White |
| Member leadership programme for sport portfolio holders (Birmingham) | 31 January 2012 | TBC |
| Meeting Arts Council England (ACE) | 9 February 2012 | Chris White |
| LGA Libraries seminar for portfolio holders | 29 February 2012 | Chris White |