

Business Rates

Purpose of the report

For noting attached briefing and submission of comments

Summary

The Government is currently consulting on councils retaining business rates locally. The LG Group supports the principal of the repatriation of business rates. Its initial response to the consultation is attached which sets out the LG Group view and a summary of the proposals. A formal LG Group response to the Government's proposals is being drafted and there will be a draft response from the LG Group, which will be presented to the LG Group Executive in October.

Recommendation

Members are asked to note the consultation and to make any comments through their Political Group Offices.

Action

As agreed by the Board.

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