

Environment & Housing Programme Board

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Annex B

LG Environment & Housing Programme Board - Improvement and Development Review Panel

Draft Terms of Reference

The purpose of the Environment and Housing Programme Board is to provide strategic oversight of all the LG Group's policy, regulatory and improvement activity in relation to the sustainability of the environment, including issues of housing, planning and waste, in line with the LG Group priorities.

One of the work areas that the Environment and Housing Programme Board will be responsible for is developing a thorough understanding of council priorities and performance in the areas of responsibility, using strong networks and robust information.

The Programme Board has decided to set up an Improvement and Development Review Panel to review the Group's current offer in relation to council priorities and the national policy landscape and report back to its March meeting.

The Panel will be chaired by one of the Environment and Housing Programme Board office holders and consist of one Member from each group. It may choose to approach the Improvement Programme Board to seek a Member to represent the Programme Board in the work of the sub-group. It will be responsible for:

- 1. Reviewing the Improvement and Development work undertaken in the areas of Environment and Housing across the LG Group;
- 2. Gathering views from member councils about their priority needs for supporting performance and improvement on housing and environment;
- 3. Making recommendations for the 2011-12 financial year and beyond for how the Group's performance and improvement work should be developed;

This sub-group will meet on a maximum of four occasions and will provide its final report to the Programme Board at its March meeting. Lead Members and the Programme Board can decide to extend the life of the sub-group if they consider that there is useful work that it can continue to undertake.