

LG Group housing support offer

Outcome	Audience	Tools and Outputs
Elected Members and senior officers have a good understanding of the housing reform agenda and what it means for the choices they make locally.	All Councillors, senior officers.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Concise series of briefing notes on the reform agenda. • Chairman's monthly newsletter. • Programme of debates, master classes and conferences aimed at portfolio holders and leaders.
Local Authorities share good practice and learn from each others experiences in an accessible way.	All Councillors and practitioners	This would be delivered primarily through a refreshed online offer. This would include a one stop shop for good practice and guidance on the LG Group Knowledge Hub, a community of practice, online events, video case studies and blogs. Peer challenges will develop good practice case studies which will be shared via the knowledge hub.
Local Authorities experiencing specific performance issues are able to access bespoke support and advice.	Leaders and portfolio holders	<p>Bespoke and free of charge support to help councils get a local plan in place, planning peer challenges and training for members to support evidence based housing policies via the Planning Advisory Service.</p> <p>Housing peer challenge (paid for) will support councils to understand current performance and how this may be improved. Option to broker regional and sub regional peer challenges.</p>
Local Authorities benchmark and assess their performance to drive improvement.	Leaders, portfolio holders.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Development of a standard housing report through LG Inform. • Free housing self assessment tool. • Housing (paid for) and Planning (free) Peer challenges.
Technical advice and support is available through partnerships with professional bodies and others.	Senior Housing Officers	<p>This might include for example:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Analysis of the Affordable rent framework. • Private Rented Sector standards. • The role of Councillors as a democratic filter. • Assessing housing need. • Sustainable funding model for self financing of council housing. • Delivering infrastructure to support housing growth.