

## **ANNEX 2: Key players in Brussels, Whitehall and Westminster**

### **1. European Parliament**

The following six EP committees account for all the LGA top priority items (excluding watching briefs). It is recommended that the Board focuses its political links with these committees:

#### **EP economic and monetary affairs committee (ECON)**

*(LGA priorities on finance, tax)*

- Conservative: Syed Kamall, Kay Swinburne
- Labour: Arlene McCarthy [Vice-Chair]
- Liberal Democrats: Sharon Bowles [Chair]
- Others: Godfrey Bloom (UKIP)

#### **EP employment and social affairs committee (EMPL)**

*(LGA priorities on workforce issues, including Working Time Directive)*

- Conservative: Roger Helmer
- Labour: Stephen Hughes
- Liberal Democrats: *none*
- Others: Derek Clark (UKIP), Jean Lambert (Green), Nicole Sinclair (independent)

#### **EP environment, public health and food safety committee (ENVI)**

*(LGA priorities on water efficiency, waste, air quality and general policy)*

- Conservative: Martin Callanan, Julie Girling, Marina Yannakoudakis
- Labour: Linda McAvan, Glenis Willmott
- Liberal Democrats: Chris Davies
- Others: Bairbre de Brun (Sinn Fein), Jill Evans (Plaid Cymru), Nick Griffin (BNP), Paul Nuttall (UKIP)

#### **EP industry, research and energy (ITRE)**

*(LGA priority on energy efficiency)*

- Conservative: Giles Chichester, Vicky Ford
- Labour: *none*
- Liberal Democrats: Fiona Hall
- Others: *none*

#### **EP internal market and consumer policy committee**

*(LGA priorities on procurement and concessions)*

- Conservative: Malcolm Harbour [Chair]
- Labour: Catherine Stihler
- Liberal Democrats: *none*
- Others: Trevor Colman (UKIP)

**EP regional policy committee**

*(LGA priorities on EU budget and regional funds)*

- Conservative: *none*
- Labour: *none*
- Liberal Democrats: Catherine Bearder
- Others: *none*

**2. Committee of the Regions**

It is a similar picture in the Committee of the Regions, where all current LGA priorities are covered by three of the six commissions: COTER, ENVE and ECOS. The full list of UK members is as follows:

**CoR commission for Territorial Cohesion Policy (COTER)**

*(LGA priorities on EU budget and regional funds)*

- Conservative: Amanda Byrne (Calderdale) Roger Evans (GLA)
- Labour: Sir Albert Bore (Birmingham)
- Liberal Democrat: Doris Ansari (Cornwall), Flo Clucas (Liverpool)  
Graham Garvie (Scottish Borders) Chris Holley (Swansea)
- Independent: *none*

**CoR commission for Citizenship, Governance, Institutional & External Affairs (CIVEX) *(No LGA priorities in 2012)***

- Conservative: Martin Heatley (Warwickshire), Gordon Keymer (Tandridge), Judith Pearce (Wychavon), David Shakespeare (Buckinghamshire)
- Labour: Sharon Taylor (Stevenage)
- Liberal Democrat: Peter Moore (Sheffield) Lord Graham Tople (Sutton)
- Independent: *none*

**CoR commission for Economic and Social Policy (ECOS)**

*(LGA priorities on procurement, concessions, finance, tax, Working Time Directive)*

- Conservative: Sandra Barnes (South Northants), David Parsons (Leicestershire), David Simmonds (Hillingdon)
- Labour: Christine Chapman AM (Welsh Assembly) Iain Malcolm (South Tyneside)
- Liberal Democrat: Doreen Huddart (Newcastle), Kathy Pollard (Suffolk)
- Independent: *none*

**CoR commission for Education, Youth and Research (EDUC)**

*(No LGA priorities in 2012)*

- Conservative: Peter Thompson (Hounslow)
- Labour: Jennette Arnold (GLA), Bob Bright (Newport), John Dallat MLA (NI Assembly), Roger Stone (Rotherham)
- Liberal Democrat: *none*
- Independent: Roger Knox (East Lothian)

**CoR commission for Environment, Climate Change & Energy (ENVE)**

*(LGA priorities on water efficiency, waste, air quality, energy efficiency and general policy)*

- Conservative: Kay Twitchen (Essex)
- Labour: Nilgun Canver (Haringey), Corrie McChord (Sterling), Neil Swannick (Manchester)
- Liberal Democrat: Paula Baker (Basingstoke)
- Independent: Linda Gillham (Runnymede), Stewart Maxwell MSP (Scottish Parliament)
- Other: Francie Molloy MLA (NI Assembly)

**CoR commission for Natural Resources (NAT)**

*(No LGA priorities in 2012)*

- Conservative: Sir Simon Day (Devon), Arnold Hatch (Craigavon), Herbert Manley (Cheshire West & Chester), Alan Melton (Fenland), Ann Stribley (Poole)
- Labour: Dave Wilcox (Derbyshire)
- Liberal Democrat: *none*
- Independent: Rhodri Glyn Thomas AM (Welsh Assembly), Mary Robinson (Eden)
- Other: Sandy Park (Highland)

**3. UK Government and shadow cabinet**

***Foreign and Commonwealth Office***

Secretary of State: The Rt Hon William Hague MP

Key ministers: Rt Hon David Lidington MP (Europe) and Jeremy Browne MP

Shadow Foreign Secretary: Douglas Alexander MP

***Communities and Local Government***

Secretary of State: The Rt Hon Eric Pickles MP

The Rt Hon Greg Clark MP (EU fines lead)

Bob Neill MP (EU Working Time Directive)

*Shadow* CLG Secretary: Hilary Benn MP

***Department for Business Innovation and Skills***

Secretary of State: The Rt Hon Dr Vincent Cable MP

Mark Prisk MP (EU Budget lead)

*Shadow* BIS Secretary: Chuka Umunna MP

***Department for Transport***

Secretary of State: The Rt Hon Justine Greening MP

*Shadow* Secretary of State for Transport: Maria Eagle MP

***Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs***

Secretary of State: The Rt Hon Caroline Spelman MP

*Shadow* Secretary of State for the Environment: Mary Creagh MP

***Department for Energy and Climate Change***

Secretary of State Edward Davey MP

*Shadow*: Caroline Flint MP

***HM Treasury***

Chancellor of the Exchequer – The Rt Hon George Osborne MP

*Shadow* Chancellor of the Exchequer: Ed Balls MP

Chief Secretary to the Treasury – The Rt Hon Danny Alexander MP

*Shadow* Chief Secretary to the Treasury: Rachel Reeves MP

***Cabinet Office***

Secretary of State: *The Rt Hon Francis Maude MP* (EU procurement)

*Shadow* Minister for the Cabinet Office: Jon Trickett MP

***Department for Education***

Secretary of State: The Rt Hon Michael Gove MP

*Shadow*: Stephen Twigg MP

***Department for Work and Pensions***

Secretary of State: The Rt Hon Iain Duncan Smith MP

The Rt Hon Chris Grayling MP

*Shadow* Secretary of State for Work and Pensions: Liam Byrne MP

***Department for International Development***

Secretary of State: The Rt Hon Andrew Mitchell MP

*Shadow* International Development Secretary: Ivan Lewis MP

***Department for Culture, Olympics, Media and Sport***

Secretary of State: The Rt Hon Jeremy Hunt MP

*Shadow*: Harriet Harman MP