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Member Arrangements for the LGA

Summary

1. The General Assembly is asked to agree:
 - the proposals for a revised member structure for the Association as set out in the **attached** Appendix;
 - the consequential amendments to the Association's constitution, standing orders and political conventions, as set out in the annex to the report on the proposals.

Background

2. Following consultation with all member authorities, members of LGA executives and panels; regional LGAs and central bodies, the LGA Executive has agreed to recommend the proposals to the General Assembly.

Implications for Wales

3. There are no specific implications for Welsh member authorities at this stage, and members from Wales will be able, as now, to be nominated to all bodies in the proposed structure. A report on the future relationships between the LGA and Welsh local government is at item 8.

Financial/Resource Implications

4. The LGA Executive has commissioned a review of the existing LGA member allowances scheme to reflect the proposed changes to the member structure. In so doing, the Executive has made clear its intention that any revision to the allowances scheme should be within present budgetary provision for the scheme.

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