

PLACE-BASED BUDGETING – COUNCIL RESPONSES

The Leadership Centre has received 42 responses to its request on behalf of the LG Group of 13 July from:

- An LA who did not wish their comments to be attributed
- Birmingham
- Bradford
- Cambridgeshire
- Central Bedfordshire
- Dorset
- Durham
- Essex
- Gateshead
- Gloucestershire
- Greenwich
- Harlow
- Hull
- Kent
- Leicestershire
- Lincolnshire
- London Councils
- LB Barnet
- LB Hammersmith & Fulham
- LB Havering
- LB Lambeth
- LB Lewisham
- LB Newham
- Luton
- Oxfordshire
- Reading
- Rutland
- Shropshire
- South Tyneside
- Staffordshire
- Stockport
- Suffolk
- Sunderland
- Swindon
- Wakefield
- Warwickshire
- West Sussex
- Wigan
- Windsor & Maidenhead
- Worcestershire

For information the Leadership Centre's request of 13 July:

URGENT - PLACE BASED BUDGETING

Those of you who were at the LGA Conference will have heard the LGA's offer to government to deliver place-based budgets. This would mean funds allocated to an

area being considered under a single budget with local accountability for its best and proper use.

An opportunity has arisen to influence the spending review that might ensure place-based budgets form a full part of the spending review process. In order to take advantage of this I am asking that if at all possible you respond to us on literally no more than one side of A4 by this Friday 16 July. There will be time for a fuller response if we are able to sufficiently influence the process at this juncture. At this point we are trying to frame the ambition of any arrangement so in particular we need to know the following;

- What is the scope of budgets that you would want in your place-based budget?
- To what extent are your partners ready to go?
- What would be the potential benefits in terms of benefits to residents, savings and greater transparency?
- Why would a place-based budget deliver this?

Please can you give this your urgent attention and ensure your brief summary response reaches Nicky de Beer nicky.debeer@local.gov.uk by close of play on Friday. I really do appreciate the incredible short notice of this request but the opportunity to include this in spending round discussions next week should not be missed.