

## **Appointments to Outside Bodies and LGA Structures for 2012/13**

### **Purpose of report**

For information.

### **Summary**

This report sets out the outside bodies and LGA structures to which the LGA has appointed members for the 2012/13 meeting cycle.

### **Recommendation**

Members are asked to note the list of outside bodies which the LGA is appointing to this year.

### **Action**

Officers to progress any actions arising as appropriate.

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## **LGA Appointments to Outside Bodies – 2012/13**

### **Background**

1. The Local Government Association currently benefits from a wide network of member representatives on outside bodies across a wide range of LGA member structures. These appointments are reviewed on an annual basis across the organisation to ensure that the aims and activities of those outside bodies remain pertinent to the LGA.

### **The Review Process**

2. In the summer, all Boards undertook reviews of the bodies to which they appoint members to take account of bodies that have been abolished, new organisations that have been created and the LGA's priorities as set out in the 2012/13 Business Plan.
3. Based on this review, in July all Boards agreed a refreshed list of outside bodies for LGA appointment to in 2012/13 and invited nominations from members. At the September meeting cycle, all Boards agreed appointments to the updated list of outside bodies for 2012/13. It is this list of appointments that is before the Executive today, as the procedure for appointments to outside bodies, agreed by the LGA Executive in 2009, is required to oversee all LGA appointments to outside bodies early in each meeting cycle.

### **Appointments**

4. A list of the organisations to which those member structures have agreed appointments for the 2012/13 meeting cycle is attached as **Appendix A**. This includes appointments to outside bodies, LGA member structure and member 'champion' roles.
5. Attached at **Appendix B** is a list of LGA appointments to bodies, whose appointment process is independent of the Board process. This includes central body appointments, negotiating bodies and European and International bodies.

### **Next Steps**

6. This database for centrally recording all the information relating to appointments is held by the Member Services team and reviewed on an annual basis.
7. Once all Boards have finalised their appointments for the 2012/13 meeting cycle, officers will correspond with appointed Members to ensure that they are fully informed of the arrangements for those outside bodies, including meeting frequency, meeting location, membership and terms of reference.

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**Financial Implications**

8. There are no financial implications arising directly from this report, which is before Members for information only. Reasonable travel and subsistence costs will be paid by the LGA for expenses incurred by a Member appointee whilst carrying out a representative role on an outside body on behalf of the LGA.