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## Relationship Management Priorities – External Appointments and Advisers

### Decisions

The Board is asked to:

1. Consider Appendix 1 (**attached**), which outlines the portfolios and related external appointments and agree the outside bodies that it wishes to be represented on, bearing in mind the criteria listed under paragraph 5.
2. Nominate a representative of the Board to the:
  - Urban Commission Steering Group; and
  - Equalities and Social Inclusion Lead Members Group.
3. Note the form that should be completed by Members attending external meetings on behalf of the LGA, in order that the Board can assess the validity and usefulness of its range of appointments (**attached** as appendix 2).

### Actions Required

4. The Secretariat to confirm LGA appointments to external bodies.

**Action by:** The Secretariat

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### Summary

1. At its last meeting, the Safer Communities Board was presented with a paper setting out Board Priorities and objectives for 2005/06 based on discussion at the Board away day on 15 July 2005. The Board asked to consider its relationship management priorities in the context of achieving the Board's three objectives: Making every neighbourhood a safe neighbourhood; Reducing the rate of re-offending; and Modernising regulatory services. This report brings these issues together for Members to review.
2. The appointments to the Urban Commission Steering Group and Equalities and Social Inclusion Lead Members Group are annual appointments by each LGA Board. Both bodies are part of the LGA's internal Member structures.

### Appointments to external bodies

3. The Safer Communities Board appoints representatives (either members or officer advisors) to over 50 bodies and stakeholder groups. These meetings are an opportunity to input to developing government policy, discuss respective priorities and to identify areas of shared interest. Members are asked to reflect on the external appointments outlined in the appendices and confirm whether or not this represents the best and most effective way to manage our relations with key external organisations.
4. Members are asked to note the external bodies to which members, officers and advisers have been appointed as outlined in Appendix 1.

### Secretariat recommendations

5. In order to assist in the assessment process, Members may wish to consider how the external appointments meet the following criteria:
  - Board Priority work– Appointment which fall under the three priority strands, set out below:
    - Making every neighbourhood a safe neighbourhood;
    - Reducing the rate of re-offending; and
    - Modernising regulatory services.
  - Live Issues – Appointment relating to high priority issues, requiring an LGA response that fall outside the Board's three priority strands.
  - Watching Brief – Issues that are within the Board's remit, and require monitoring through officer/ advisers.
6. Members are invited to discuss and recommend the outside bodies that the Safer Communities Board should be represented on.

## **Meeting feedback**

7. Attendees to outside bodies are asked to complete the form attached at appendix 2 when they attend a meeting on behalf of the LGA. (An electronic version will be sent to relevant appointees). This will enable reporting back to the Board or Secretariat.

## **Implications for Wales**

8. Non identified at present

## **Financial/Resource Implications**

9. None identified at present

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