

LGA Executive

Agenda

Thursday, 20 February 2014
2.00 pm

Westminster Suite, 8th Floor, Local
Government House, Smith Square, London,
SW1P 3HZ

To: Members of the LGA Executive
cc: Named officers for briefing purposes

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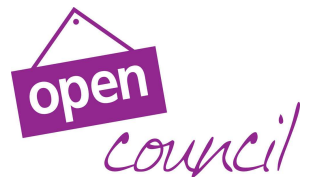
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Location

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LGA Executive - Membership 2013/2014

| Councillor | Authority | Position/ Role |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------|--|
| Conservative (7) | | |
| Sir Merrick Cockell | RB Kensington & Chelsea | Chairman |
| Gary Porter | South Holland DC | Vice-Chairman/Group Leader |
| Robert Light | Kirklees Council | Deputy-Chairman |
| Andrew Lewer MBE | Derbyshire CC | Deputy-Chairman |
| David Simmonds | Hillingdon LB | Chairman, CYP |
| Peter Fleming | Sevenoaks DC | Chairman, Imp & Innovation |
| Mike Jones | Cheshire West & Chester Council | Chairman, Env & Housing |
| Labour (7) | | |
| David Sparks OBE | Dudley MBC | Vice-Chairman/Group Leader |
| Sharon Taylor OBE | Stevenage BC | Deputy-Chairman and Chair of Finance Panel |
| Mehboob Khan | Kirklees Council | Deputy-Chairman and Chair, SSC B |
| Mayor Sir Steve Bullock | Lewisham LB | Deputy-Chairman |
| Jim McMahan | Oldham Council | Chair, Workforce |
| Peter Box CBE | Wakefield Council | Chair, E&T B |
| Roger Lawrence | Wolverhampton City | Balancing Member |
| Liberal Democrat (4) | | |
| Gerald Vernon-Jackson | Portsmouth City | Vice-Chairman/Group Leader |
| Mayor Dorothy Thornhill MBE | Watford BC | Deputy-Chairman |
| Katie Hall | Bath and North East Somerset DC | Chair, CWB B |
| Flick Rea MBE | Camden LB | Chair, CTS B |
| Independent (3) | | |
| Marianne Overton MBE | Lincolnshire CC | Vice-Chairman/Group Leader |
| Clarence Barrett | Havering LB | Chair, E&I B |
| Peter Reeve | Cambridgeshire | Member |
| Substitute | | |
| Robert Dutton OBE | Wrexham County Borough | Member |
| Regional Representatives (10) | | |
| Tony Jackson (Con) | East Herts DC | East of England LGA |
| Gordon Keymer CBE (Con) | Tandridge DC | South East England Councils |

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| Izzi Seccombe | (Con) | Warwickshire County Council | Centre for Local Government West Midlands |
| Martin Hill OBE | (Con) | Lincolnshire CC | East Midlands Councils |
| John Hart | (Con) | Devon CC | South West Councils |
| Mayor Jules Pipe CBE (Lab) | | Hackney LB | London Councils |
| Paul Watson | (Lab) | Sunderland City Council | Association of North East Councils |
| Stephen Parnaby OBE (Con) | | East Riding of Yorkshire | Local Government Yorkshire and Humber |
| Sir Richard Leese CBE | (Lab) | Manchester City | North West Regional Leaders' Board |
| David Phillips | (Lab) | Swansea City and County Council | Welsh LGA |
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| Named substitutes | | | |
| David Hodge | (Con) | Surrey CC | South East Councils |
| Paul Watkins | (Con) | Dover DC | South East Councils |
| Claire Kober | (Lab) | Haringey LB | London Councils |

Non-voting Members of LGA Executive

| Cllr/Local Authority | Political Group | Representing |
|--|------------------------|---------------------------|
| Lord Peter Smith (Wigan MBC) | Labour | LG Leadership |
| Neil Clarke MBE (Rushcliffe BC) | Cons | District Councils Network |
| Sir Stephen Houghton CBE (Barnsley MBC) | Labour | SIGOMA |
| David Hodge (Surrey CC) | Conservative | County Councils Network |
| Alderman Sir David Wootton (Corporation of the City of London) | Independent | Local Partnerships |

LGA Executive – Attendance 2013/2014

| Councillors | 12.09.13 | 24.10.13 | 21.11.13 | 12.12.13 | 23.01.14 |
|---------------------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| Conservative Group | | | | | |
| Sir Merrick Cockell | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Gary Porter | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Robert Light | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Andrew Lewer MBE | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | No |
| David Simmonds | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | Yes |
| Peter Fleming | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Mike Jones | No | Yes | No | No | Yes |
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| Labour Group | | | | | |
| David Sparks OBE | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Sharon Taylor OBE | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Mehboob Khan | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Mayor Sir Steve Bullock | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Jim McMahon | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | No |
| Peter Box CBE | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | No |
| Roger Lawrence | N/a | N/a | Yes | Yes | Yes |
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| Lib Dem Group | | | | | |
| Gerald Vernon-Jackson | No | No | Yes | Yes | No |
| Mayor Dorothy Thornhill MBE | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Katie Hall | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes |
| Flick Rea MBE | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes |
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| Independent | | | | | |
| Marianne Overton MBE | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Clarence Barrett | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Peter Reeve | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | No |
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| Regional Representatives | | | | | |
| Tony Jackson | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Gordon Keymer | No | No | No | Yes | No |
| Izzy Seccombe | No | Yes | Yes | No | No |
| Martin Hill OBE | Yes | Yes | No | No | Yes |
| John Hart | Yes | Yes | No | No | Yes |
| Mayor Jules Pipe | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes |
| Paul Watson | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Stephen Parnaby | Yes | Yes | No | No | No |
| Sir Richard Leese CBE | No | No | No | Yes | Yes |
| David Phillips | Yes | Yes | No | No | No |
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| Non Voting Members | | | | | |
| Lord Peter Smith | No | No | Yes | No | No |
| Neil Clarke | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Sir Stephen Houghton CBE | Yes | Yes | No | No | Yes |
| Roger Phillips | Yes | N/a | N/a | N/a | N/a |

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| David Hodge | N/a | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Alderman Sir David Wotton | No | No | No | No | No |
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| Substitutes | | | | | |
| Clyde Loakes | Yes | | | | |
| Chris White | Yes | Yes | | Yes | |
| David Hodge | Yes | | | | |
| Sue Murphy | Yes | Yes | | | |
| Robert Dutton | | Yes | | | Yes |
| John Clarke | | Yes | | | |
| Roger Phillips | | | Yes | | |
| David Bellotti | | | Yes | Yes | |
| John Merry | | | Yes | | Yes |
| Jill Shortland | | | | | Yes |

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