

Councillors' Forum

Agenda

Thursday, 2 March 2017
12.30 pm

5th Floor Conference Suite, 5th Floor (South side), Layden House, 76-86 Turnmill Street, London, EC1M 5LG

To: Members of the Councillors' Forum
cc: Named officers for briefing purposes

Guidance notes for members and visitors

Layden House, 76-86 Turnmill Street, London, EC1M 5LG

Please read these notes for your own safety and that of all visitors, staff and tenants.

Welcome!

Layden House is located directly opposite the Turnmill Street entrance to Farringdon station, which is served by the Circle, Hammersmith & City, and Metropolitan lines as well as the Thameslink national rail route.

Security

Layden House has a swipe card access system meaning that a swipe enabled security passes will be required to access the lifts and floors 1-5.

Most LGA governance structure meetings will take place on the **ground floor** of Layden House which is open access and therefore does not require a swipe enabled security pass. **Access** to the rest of the building (floors 1-5) is via swipe enabled security passes.

When you visit Layden House, **please show your Local Government House security pass to reception** and they will provide you with a temporary pass which will allow you access to floors 1-5 if required. **Please don't forget to sign out at reception and return your security pass when you depart.**

If you do not have a LGH Security Pass, please email [member services](#) with your name and a recent photo and a pass will be made for you. You can pick this up from the Layden House reception desk on your next visit.

Fire instructions

In the event of the fire alarm sounding, vacate the building immediately via the nearest fire exit onto Turnmill Street and take the next turning on your left – Benjamin Street to St John's Gardens.

DO NOT USE THE LIFTS.

DO NOT STOP TO COLLECT PERSONAL BELONGINGS.

DO NOT RE-ENTER BUILDING UNTIL AUTHORISED TO DO SO.

Soft Seating Area

There is a small soft seating area on Floor 2 which will also operate as an 'Open Council' area for visiting members and officers from member councils. Please note however that unlike Open Council, this area does not have tea and coffee facilities, nor access to computers.

Toilets

There are accessible toilets on the Ground Floor, 2nd and 4th floors.

Accessibility

If you have special access needs, please let the meeting contact know in advance and we will do our best to make suitable arrangements to meet your requirements.

Parking is available at the rear of the building for Blue Badge holders, accessed via the Turks Head Yard, North underpass. Disabled WCs are situated on the ground and 4th floors. An induction loop system is available in the 5th floor conference venue. For further information please contact the Facilities Management Helpdesk on 020 7664 3015.

Guest WiFi in Layden House

WiFi is available in Layden House for visitors. It can be accessed by enabling “Wireless Network Connection” on your computer and connecting to LGA-Free-WiFi. You will then need to register, either by completing a form or through your Facebook or Twitter account (if you have one). You only need to register the first time you log on.

Further help

Please speak either to staff at the main reception on the ground floor, if you require any further help or information. You can find the LGA website at www.local.gov.uk

Why have the LGA’s Headquarters moved?

The LGA has temporarily relocated from Local Government House (LGH) in Smith Square to Layden House in Farringdon, effective from Monday 31 October 2016. This is to allow extensive refurbishment work to be carried out to LGH.

The refurbishment works will see the ground floor conference centre and all meeting rooms fully refurbished. Floors 1, 2 and 3 will be upgraded and released for commercial letting to enable the LGA to maximise the income from this building as part of its drive for financial sustainability. A new and larger Open Council will be located on the seventh floor. The refurbishment is expected to last for nine months and we expect to be back in LGH by September 2017.

We appreciate your understanding and flexibility during this time.

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There will be a meeting of the Councillors' Forum at **12.30 pm on Thursday, 2 March 2017** 5th Floor Conference Suite, (South side), Layden House, 76-86 Turnmill Street, London, EC1M 5LG.

A sandwich lunch will be available at 1.15pm.

Attendance Sheet:

Please ensure that you sign the attendance register, which will be available in the meeting room. It is the only record of your presence at the meeting.

Political Group meetings:

The group meetings will take place in advance of the meeting as follows.

- 11.00am – Conservative, 5th Floor Conference Suite (South Side)
- 11.00am - Labour Rooms, A and B (Ground Floor)
- 11.00am - Independent, 5th Floor Board Room (North Side)
- 11.00am - Liberal Democrat, Rooms D and E (Ground Floor)

Please contact your political group as outlined below for further details.

Apologies:

Please notify your political group office (see contact telephone numbers below) if you are unable to attend this meeting.

Conservative:	Group Office: 020 7664 3223	email: lgaconservatives@local.gov.uk
Labour:	Group Office: 020 7664 3334	email: Labour.GroupLGA@local.gov.uk
Independent:	Group Office: 020 7664 3224	email: independent.grouplga@local.gov.uk
Liberal Democrat:	Group Office: 020 7664 3235	email: libdem@local.gov.uk

Location:

A map showing the location of Layden House is printed on the back cover.

LGA Contact:

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Carers' Allowance

As part of the LGA Members' Allowances Scheme a Carer's Allowance of up to £7.20 per hour is available to cover the cost of dependants (i.e. children, elderly people or people with disabilities) incurred as a result of attending this meeting.

Social Media

The LGA is committed to using social media in a co-ordinated and sensible way, as part of a strategic approach to communications, to help enhance the reputation of local government, improvement engagement with different elements of the community and drive efficiency. Please feel free to use social media during this meeting. **However, you are requested not to use social media during any confidential items.**

Councillors' Forum – Membership 2016/2017

Councillor	Authority
Conservative (41)	
Lord Gary Porter CBE (Chairman)	South Holland District Council
Cllr David Hodge CBE	Surrey County Council
Cllr David Simmonds CBE	Hillingdon London Borough Council
Cllr Gillian Brown	Arun District Council
Cllr John Beesley	Bournemouth Borough Council
Cllr Simon Cooke	Bradford Metropolitan District Council
Cllr Martin Tett	Buckinghamshire County Council
Cllr James Jamieson	Central Bedfordshire Council
Cllr Roger Phillips	Herefordshire Council
Cllr Robert Light	Kirklees Metropolitan Council
Cllr Neil Clarke MBE	Rushcliffe Borough Council
Cllr Peter Fleming OBE	Sevenoaks District Council
Cllr Rebecca Knox	Dorset County Council
Cllr Jonathan Owen	East Riding of Yorkshire Council
Cllr Colin Noble	Suffolk County Council
Baroness Coultie of Downe Philippa Coultie	Westminster City Council
Cllr Izzi Seccombe	Warwickshire County Council
Cllr Paul Bettison OBE	Bracknell Forest Borough Council
Cllr Mark Hawthorne MBE	Gloucestershire County Council
Cllr Sean Anstee	Trafford Metropolitan Borough Council
Cllr Morris Bright	Hertsmere Borough Council
Cllr Tom Fitzpatrick	North Norfolk District Council
Cllr Paul Carter CBE	Kent County Council
Cllr Nigel Ashton	North Somerset Council
Cllr Keith Glazier	East Sussex County Council
Cllr Peter Golds	Tower Hamlets Council
Cllr Kevin Bentley	Colchester Borough Council
Cllr William Nunn	Breckland Council
Cllr John Fuller	South Norfolk District Council
Cllr Glen Sanderson JP	Northumberland Council
Cllr Philip Atkins OBE	Staffordshire County Council
Cllr Kay Hammond	Surrey County Council
Cllr Nicolas Heslop	Tonbridge & Malling Borough Council
Cllr John Hart	Devon County Council
Cllr Stephen Parnaby OBE	East Riding of Yorkshire Council
Cllr Martin Hill OBE	Lincolnshire County Council
Cllr Tony Jackson	East Herts Council
Cllr Liz Hackett Pain	Monmouthshire County Council
Cllr Roy Perry	Hampshire County Council
Cllr Teresa O'Neill OBE	Bexley Council
Cllr Rory Love	Shepway District Council

Labour (40)	
Cllr Nick Forbes (Senior Vice-Chair)	Newcastle upon Tyne City Council
Cllr Sharon Taylor OBE	Stevenage Borough Council
Mayor Sir Steve Bullock	Lewisham London Borough Council
Cllr Simon Henig CBE	Durham County Council
Cllr Simon Blackburn	Blackpool Council
Cllr Michael Payne	Gedling Borough Council
Cllr Alice Perry	Islington Council
Cllr Anne Western CBE	Derbyshire County Council
Cllr Sue Murphy CBE	Manchester City Council
Cllr Peter Box CBE	Wakefield Metropolitan District Council
Cllr Judi Billing MBE	North Hertfordshire District Council
Cllr James Dawson	Erewash Borough Council
Cllr Sarah Hayward	Camden Council
Cllr Paul Watson	Sunderland City Council
Cllr John Merry CBE	Salford City Council
Cllr Warren Morgan	Brighton & Hove City Council
Cllr Kate Haigh	Gloucester City Council
Cllr Aaron Shotton	Flintshire County Council
Cllr Sue Woodward	Staffordshire County Council
Cllr Timothy Swift	Calderdale Metropolitan Borough Council
Sir Stephen Houghton CBE	Barnsley Metropolitan Borough Council
Cllr Clyde Loakes	Waltham Forest London Borough Council
Cllr Bryony Rudkin	Suffolk County Council
Cllr Helen Holland	Bristol City Council
Cllr Graham Chapman	Nottingham City Council
Cllr Richard Watts	Islington Council
Sir Richard Leese CBE	Manchester City Council
Cllr Linda Thomas	Bolton Council
Cllr Claire Kober OBE	Haringey Council
Cllr Judith Blake	Leeds City Council
Cllr David Acton	Trafford Metropolitan Borough Council
Cllr Roger Lawrence	Wolverhampton City Council
Cllr Barrie Grunewald	St Helens Metropolitan Borough Council
Cllr Anthony Hunt	Torfaen County Borough Council
Cllr Tudor Evans OBE	Plymouth City Council
Cllr Alan Rhodes	Nottinghamshire County Council
Cllr Andy Moorhead	Knowsley Metropolitan Borough Council
Cllr Rishi Shori	Bury Metropolitan Borough Council
Cllr Amy Cross	Blackpool Council
Mayor Marvin Rees	Bristol City Council
Substitutes	
Cllr Vince Maple	Medway Council
Cllr John Clarke	Gedling Borough Council
Cllr Tom Beattie	Corby Borough Council
Cllr Susan Hinchcliffe	Bradford Metropolitan District Council
Cllr Shabir Pandor	Kirklees Metropolitan Council
Cllr Samantha Dixon	Cheshire West and Chester Council

Independent (11)	
Cllr Ian Stephens	Isle of Wight Council
Cllr Marianne Overton MBE (Vice-Chair)	Lincolnshire County Council
Cllr Peter Reeve MBE	Cambridgeshire County Council
Cllr Bob Dutton OBE	Wrexham County Borough Council
Cllr Chris Townsend	Surrey County Council
Cllr Mike Eathorne-Gibbons	Cornwall Council
Cllr Robert Bucke	Tendring District Council
Cllr Alan Seldon	Herefordshire Council
Cllr Phelim MacCafferty	Brighton & Hove City Council
Cllr Geoff Knight	Lancaster City Council
Cllr Colin Mann	Caerphilly County Borough Council
Liberal Democrat (9)	
Cllr Keith House	Eastleigh Borough Council
Cllr Lisa Brett	Bath & North East Somerset Council
Cllr Jeremy Hilton	Gloucestershire County Council
Cllr Richard Kemp CBE	Liverpool City Council
Cllr Claire Hudson	Mendip District Council
Cllr Howard Sykes MBE	Oldham Metropolitan Borough Council
Cllr Heather Kidd	Shropshire Council
Cllr Mike Bell	North Somerset Council
Mayor Dave Hodgson MBE	Bedford Borough Council
Substitutes	
Cllr Stan Collins	South Lakeland District Council
Cllr Ross Henley	Taunton Deane Borough Council
Councilman Edward Lord OBE JP	City of London Corporation
Cllr David Neighbour	Hart District Council
Cllr Chris White	Hertfordshire County Council
Cllr Alan Connett	Devon County Council
Cllr Ruth Dombey OBE	Sutton London Borough Council
Cllr Liz Green	Kingston upon Thames Royal Borough Council
Mayor Dorothy Thornhill MBE	Watford Borough Council

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