

LGA Executive

Agenda

Thursday, 23 October 2014
1.45 pm

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

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Cllr David Sparks OBE (Chair)	Dudley Metropolitan Borough Council
Cllr Jim McMahon (Vice-Chair)	Oldham Metropolitan Borough Council
Cllr Sharon Taylor OBE (Deputy Chair)	Stevenage Borough Council
Mayor Sir Steve Bullock (Deputy Chair)	Lewisham London Borough Council
Cllr Keith Wakefield (Deputy Chair)	Leeds City Council
Sir Richard Leese CBE (Board Chair)	Manchester City Council and City Regions Board
Cllr Claire Kober (Board Chair)	Haringey LB and Resources Board
Cllr Ann Lucas OBE (Board Chair)	Coventry City Council and Safer and Stronger Communities Board
Cllr Peter Box CBE (Board Chair)	Wakefield Metropolitan District Council and Economy, Environment, Housing and Transport
Cllr Judi Billing (Balancing Member)	North Hertfordshire District Council
Conservative (8)	
Cllr Gary Porter (Vice-Chair)	South Holland District Council
Cllr Mike Jones (Deputy Chair)	Cheshire West and Chester Council
Cllr Philippa Roe (Deputy Chair)	Westminster City Council
Cllr David Hodge* (Deputy Chair)	Surrey County Council and People and Placed Board
Cllr Neil Clarke MBE (Deputy Chair)	Rushcliffe Borough Council
Cllr David Simmonds (Board Chair)	Hillingdon London Borough Council and Children and Young People Board
Cllr Izzi Secombe (Board Chair)	Warwickshire County Council and Community Wellbeing Board
Cllr Peter Fleming (Board Chair)	Sevenoaks District Council and Improvement and Innovation Board
Liberal Democrat (4)	
Cllr Gerald Vernon-Jackson (Vice-Chair)	Portsmouth City Council
Mayor Dorothy Thornhill MBE (Deputy Chair)	Watford Borough Council
Cllr Chris White (Balancing Member)	Hertfordshire County Council
Cllr Jeremy Hilton (Balancing Member)	Gloucestershire County Council

* Two votes by virtue of his two roles

Independent (4)	
Cllr Marianne Overton MBE (Vice-Chair)	Lincolnshire County Council
Cllr Ian Stephens (Board Chair)	Isle of Wight Council and Culture, Tourism and Sport Board
Cllr Peter Reeve (Balancing Member)	Cambridgeshire County Council
Cllr Robert Dutton OBE (Balancing Member)	Wrexham County Borough Council
Regional Representatives (10)	
Cllr John Hart	CON South West Councils
Cllr Tony Jackson	CON East of England Local Government Association (EELGA)
Cllr Gordon Keymer CBE	CON South East England Councils (SEEC)
Mayor Jules Pipe	LAB London Councils
Cllr Martin Hill OBE	CON East Midlands Councils
Cllr Roger Lawrence	LAB West Midlands LGA
Cllr Stephen Parnaby OBE	CON Local Government Yorkshire and Humber (LGYH)
Cllr Paul Watson	LAB Association of North East Councils
Cllr Barrie Grunewald	LAB North West Regional Leaders Board
Vacancy	WLGA
Named Substitutes	
Cllr Nicolas Heslop	CON Tonbridge & Malling Borough Council

Non-voting Members of LGA Executive

Councillor	Representing
Alderman Sir David Wootton	INDE Local Partnerships
Cllr Mark Hawthorne MBE	CON County Councils Network (CCN)
Cllr Gillian Brown	CON District Councils Network
Sir Stephen Houghton CBE	LAB SIGOMA

LGA Executive Attendance: 2014/2015

Political Group	Councillor	Sep 11 2014
Conservative	Cllr David Hodge	Present
	Cllr David Simmonds	Present
	Cllr Gary Porter	Present
	Cllr Gillian Brown	Present
	Cllr Gordon Keymer CBE	Apologies
	Cllr Izzi Seccombe	Present
	Cllr Jason Ablewhite	Present
	Cllr John Hart	Apologies
	Cllr Mark Hawthorne MBE	Present
	Cllr Martin Hill OBE	Present
	Cllr Mike Jones	Present
	Cllr Neil Clarke MBE	Present
	Cllr Nicolas Heslop	Present
	Cllr Peter Fleming	Present
	Cllr Philippa Roe	Present
	Cllr Stephen Parnaby OBE	Apologies
	Cllr Tony Jackson	Apologies
Independent	Alderman Sir David Wootton	Present
	Cllr Daniella Radice	Present
	Cllr Ian Stephens	Apologies
	Cllr Marianne Overton MBE	Present
	Cllr Peter Reeve	Present
	Cllr Robert Dutton OBE	Present
Labour	Cllr Ann Lucas OBE	Present
	Cllr Barrie Grunewald	Apologies
	Cllr Claire Kober	Apologies
	Cllr David Sparks OBE	Apologies
	Cllr Jim McMahon	Present
	Cllr Judi Billing	Present
	Cllr Keith Wakefield	Present
	Cllr Paul Watson	Present
	Cllr Peter Box CBE	Present
	Cllr Roger Lawrence	Present
	Cllr Sharon Taylor OBE	Present
	Mayor Jules Pipe	Present
	Mayor Sir Steve Bullock	Present
Sir Richard Leese CBE	Present	
Sir Stephen Houghton CBE	Apologies	
Liberal Democrat	Cllr Chris White	Present
	Cllr Gerald Vernon-Jackson	Present
	Cllr Jeremy Hilton	Present
	Mayor Dorothy Thornhill MBE	Present

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English Devolution

Purpose

For discussion and direction.

Summary

The LGA has taken a clear view that further devolution to Scotland must be accompanied by devolution to England's communities, while opposing a new English Parliament. We now need to decide how to pursue that agenda over the coming period.

Recommendations

That the Executive:

- i. consider how to approach a potentially lengthy devolution debate and negotiation against the background of political complexity and uncertainty, including whether and how we might further develop the concept of a Constitutional Convention;
- ii. consider how the LGA can best advocate for the interests of residents of all parts of the country and of all councils;
- iii. consider what the right shape of an English devolution settlement might look like, including the detailed balance between devolving functions, central funding, and local taxing powers;
- iv. in the light of the Executive's previously-expressed support for the principle of differential devolution, offer guidance on how the LGA should approach the implementation of differential and/or phased change; and
- v. give Group Leaders a mandate to take the issues forward in the light of the views of Executive Members.

Action

Group Leaders to take forward in the light of the Executive's steer.

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English Devolution

Background and issues

1. Scotland's independence referendum on 18 September has changed the terms of political debate about devolution of power to English communities.
2. The case for devolving power to England's cities and non-metropolitan areas has been made out by the LGA and others for a long time. Across a wide range of issues, there is compelling evidence that taking decisions closer to the people affected leads to better outcomes and saves the taxpayer money. This is as true for employment programmes for young people as it is for public health, setting policing priorities, deciding on transport investment, or providing support to troubled families. The work of local public service leaders in integrating health and social care or establishing community budgets has generated a body of robust evidence and testable business cases that demonstrate devolved decision-making works better. That robust evidence base ranges from the work Ernst and Young carried out for the LGA on community budgets to the evaluation of different employment schemes currently being carried out for us by the National Institute for Economic and Social Research (NIESR).
3. Technocratic arguments are, of course, rarely enough to persuade those who hold power to give it up. But the case for devolution is also intensely political, and Scotland's referendum campaign has illustrated the political dynamic very clearly. The Yes campaign was as much an anti-Westminster campaign as a nationalist movement. Even No voters, while rejecting a nationalist independence agenda, demanded greater ownership by Scots of decisions that affect their lives. The referendum's outcome, underpinned by the "Vow" made to Scotland by the three main UK party leaders, has called into question the centralised UK model for all the countries and communities of the Union, not just Scotland.
4. The consequences for England are as significant as for Scotland. As in Scotland, the case for devolving power is both political and practical. England's major cities and counties are in themselves as populous as the devolved nations of the Union, have public sectors on a comparable scale, and they are gifted with equally strong historic identities: the Association of Greater Manchester Authorities (AGMA) area has the same population as Wales, and London is bigger than Scotland; the Leeds City Region, Kent and Essex are comparable in population with Northern Ireland - and the latter were both independent kingdoms a thousand years before there was a UK. Many areas have been working in recent years to develop the decision-making arrangements needed to take on significant devolved powers at sub-regional level, and have begun to take on greater responsibilities at that level - to the limited extent that national policies such as City Deals have made that possible.
5. The LGA has taken a clear view that devolution to Scotland must be accompanied by devolution to England's communities, while opposing a new English Parliament. The Chairman said on 19 September:
 - 5.1. "The devolution genie is out of the bottle. The new powers that Scotland will now receive must be given to local areas in England and Wales. The appetite for devolution does not stop at the border and the rest of the UK will not be content to settle for the status quo.

- 5.2. "The clock is ticking and we need to act now. That is why we are calling for an urgent meeting of a Constitutional Convention - to speed up the process of English devolution. Government must set out a timetable for devolution across England, with a pledge for immediate new powers to areas ready for them now. Without immediate action, our principles of citizenship, equality and even democracy in our United Kingdom would be thrown into question.
- 5.3. "The Scottish referendum campaign has shown that public trust in the old ways of central control has been shattered beyond repair. That is why establishing an English Parliament, with MPs still calling the shots, would not represent true devolution. It is locally elected councils - driving their local economies through devolved taxation and greater control over council tax and business rates - which can satisfy the desire of people in England to have greater say in the places they live and work.
- 5.4. "One rule for Scotland and another for England is totally unacceptable. Local areas need to be set free from the grip of Whitehall and allowed to raise and spend money in a way which will best serve the people who live there, from equipping them with the skills for work to being able to build the homes people need. Crucially, this must be underpinned by a fair and equitable distribution of public money for all of the UK."
6. This position was reflected in a letter sent by the LGA's Group Leaders to the Prime Minister and the leaders of the other main Westminster parties on 19 September. The letter suggested that key focusses for an English devolution settlement should include:
 - 6.1. devolution of funding and decisions on transport, skills and economic development to English cities and counties;
 - 6.2. greater local decision-making about health and care devolved to those places;
 - 6.3. devolution of an appropriate share of the tax base to pay for those things, creating the kind of fiscal arrangements which are the norm in other economically successful countries around the world; and
 - 6.4. the sharing-out of tax and spending between the four countries of the Union on a new, sustainable and fair, basis.
7. This rests on a basic principle that the broad areas of decision-making that have been, or are to be, devolved in Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland should also form part of a devolution settlement in England.
8. The Labour Party and UKIP have explicitly endorsed the idea of a Constitutional Convention as proposed by the LGA. We understand that the Government wants to await Lord Smith's Scottish devolution proposals before considering England, although the Prime Minister has re-committed the Conservative Party to its policy of English Votes on English Laws which it has supported since 2001 and the Leader of the House of Commons is chairing a group which is considering the details of that. While we are aware that Whitehall officials are considering the implications of a more thoroughgoing devolution of functions and funding in England, this is principally in the context of

medium-term scenario planning against the background of a planned spending review after the election.

9. This makes it likely that the debate around English devolution will run up to the coming general election and that clear decisions about any settlement will not be taken or implemented until after it.
10. The independent Commissions on Cities, chaired by Jim O'Neill, on non-metropolitan England, chaired by Sir John Peace, and on local government finance, chaired by Darra Singh, are considering English devolution issues. The final report of the Cities Commission is due to be published around the time of the Executive's meeting and interim reports from the other two Commissions are expected in the next few weeks.
11. Issues to be considered include:
 - 11.1. how to approach a potentially lengthy debate and negotiation against the background of political complexity and uncertainty, including whether and how we might further develop the concept of a Constitutional Convention;
 - 11.2. how the LGA can best advocate for the interests of residents of all parts of the country and of all councils;
 - 11.3. what the right shape of the devolution settlement sketched in the Group Leaders' letter might look like, including the detailed balance between devolving functions, central funding, and local taxing powers;
 - 11.4. in the light of the Executive's previously-expressed support for the principle of differential devolution, guidance is sought on how the LGA should approach the implementation of differential and/or phased change; and
 - 11.5. what a timetable for progressively implementing devolution to the widest possible set of places in England might look like, and how we might set out a future vision for local service delivery in, say, ten years' time.

Next steps

12. Members are asked to:
 - 12.1. consider the issues at paragraph 11; and
 - 12.2. give Group Leaders a mandate to take the issues forward in the light of the views of Executive Members.

Financial Implications

13. Support for further work on this issue can be accommodated within the budget of the Finance and Policy Directorate.



Better Care Fund

Purpose

For information, discussion and direction.

Summary

The report provides an update on the Better Care Fund following revised plans, including a summary of the national and regional assurance process.

Recommendation

That the Executive discuss the report and provide comments on next steps and future direction.

Action

LGA Officers to proceed as directed.

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Better Care Fund

Background

1. The LGA Executive received an update on the Better Care Fund (BCF) at its meeting in September, following the changes to policy surrounding £1 billion of the NHS contribution to the BCF and the corresponding requirement for local Health and Wellbeing Board areas to resubmit their plans. Since then, extensive support has been provided to local areas, local government chief executives and NHS regional leads have been involved in the assurance of local plans, and additional guidance and clarifications have been provided by the national Task Force team.
2. The deadline for submission of plans was 19 September, and all plans have been submitted.

Key issues

3. Whilst we know the process of re-developing plans has not been easy in many areas and the changes to the pay for performance element of the fund have been actively unhelpful, early signs are that the level of ambition remains broadly in line with April submissions, relationships remain strong, and in the majority of places councils have secured the same level or more funding than was expected based on their April plans.
4. The final checkpoint (16 September) highlighted concerns in a handful of areas about the national conditions 'protection of social care' and 'provider alignment'. It is expected that these will be two key areas for ongoing work after 19 September.
5. From 19 September to 30 October, plans are going through a national assurance and moderation process. On 30 October we are expecting an announcement from Secretaries of State of the aggregate picture, and a letter to all Health and Wellbeing Boards, Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs) and councils confirming the outcome and next steps. This will take place at the National Children's and Adults Services Conference.
6. The outcome of plans will fall into one of four categories – 'approved', 'approved with support', 'approved with conditions', and 'not approved'. It is expected that the majority of plans will fall into the 'approved with support' and 'approved with conditions' categories. Those in the former will have minor issues to resolve, and it is expected that these will be resolvable relatively quickly, those in the latter category will have material issues to resolve, including protecting social care where this is not the case.
7. An ongoing programme of support is being commissioned to assist areas in revising their plans before the end of January 2015. This will build on the existing support programme, with more hands on support from senior sector leaders where required. Proposals are also in development for additional support
8. The National Audit Office (NAO) and internal NHS and Government auditors have continued to take an active interest in the BCF process. The LGA has made representations to these groups, and we are expecting a report to the Public Accounts Committee at the beginning of December.

9. Going forward, it is expected that integration will continue to be a high priority issue. The LGA has continuously made the case for a longer term pooled fund, and for additional transitional funding, with Health and Wellbeing Boards and local government at the centre.

Next steps

10. Members are asked to:

- 10.1. note the most recent developments; and
- 10.2. provide comments on the next steps and future direction.



Autumn Statement 2014: LGA Submission

Purpose

For information.

Summary

The Chancellor is expected to make his Autumn Statement to Parliament on 3 December 2014. Her Majesty's (HM) Treasury has invited submissions. The LGA's submission will be circulated separately on a supplemental agenda.

The LGA's submission builds on the LGA's *First 100 Days* document which makes a range of proposals in the form of a carefully costed offer to the government rather than a simple bid for additional funding. This offer is calculated to save the public sector as whole £11 billion.

The Executive is asked note LGA's Autumn Statement submission and associated communications strategy. The headings for the submission were approved by Leadership Board in July, with the individual service paragraphs agreed with their relevant policy Boards and the full submission being formally approved by the Resources Board on 17 October.

Recommendation

That the Executive note the LGA Autumn Statement Submission document which will be submitted to Her Majesty's Treasury on 17 October.

Action

As directed by Members.

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Autumn Statement 2014: LGA Submission

Summary

1. The Chancellor is due to make his Autumn Statement to Parliament on Wednesday 3 December. Her Majesty's (HM) Treasury have invited submissions in advance of that, with a deadline of 17 October.
2. The Leadership Board in July approved an outline for the LGA's submission based on the *First 100 Days* offer, covering the following areas: place based budgets; adult social care; local growth funding; and financial freedoms and reforms.
3. The LGA's submission will be circulated on a supplemental agenda following its approval by Resources Board on 17 October. In line with the *First 100 Days* offer, the submission has been drawn up as an offer to the Government, not as a bid for additional funds.

Service paragraphs

4. The sections on place based budgets, adult social care, and local growth funding have been cleared with their relevant policy Board members. The Resources Board will approve the introduction, summary and paragraphs on financial freedoms and reforms.

Communications

5. Following approval by the Resources Board, the submission will be sent to HM Treasury on 17 October. It will also be used in the LGA's briefing and lobbying work around the Autumn Statement and will be released to the media.
6. The Chairman and senior officers will be meeting with the Chief Secretary to the Treasury, Danny Alexander, on 3 November. This submission will form part of the briefing for that meeting.
7. The LGA will be preparing an on the day response to the Autumn Statement.

Next steps

8. Members are asked to:
 - 8.1. note the LGA's Autumn Statement submission to be published and sent to HM Treasury; and
 - 8.2. comment on use of the submission in communications on the Autumn Statement.

Financial Implications

9. None.

Note of last LGA Executive meeting

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Attendance

An attendance list is attached as **Appendix A** to this note

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1	Declarations of Interest	
	No declarations were made.	
2	Adult Social Care Reform and Funding	
	<p>Cllr Izzi Seccombe (Community Wellbeing Board Chair) briefly introduced the item by updating the meeting on a number of recent developments in health and social care integration. She invited Members' views on the LGA's draft response to the Government consultation on the distribution of the grant to pay for new burdens arising from the Care Act.</p> <p>In the discussion that followed, Members made a number of comments, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Members discussed the impact of recent Government policy and process changes on local authorities' ability to resubmit their Better Care Fund (BCF) Plans by 19 September deadline, and shared local intelligence on progresses within their regions. A Member suggested that the next Executive meeting receive a report on the development of BCF plans across the piece; with a view to assessing progresses and identifying challenges. Members were encouraged to share their local knowledge with Sally Burlington (Head of Programmes for Adult Social Care and Health).In discussing the proposed formulae for the distribution of new burdens funding for adult social care, Members sought clarification on the variation between the indicative allocations for councils in the December 2013 local government finance settlement and the total illustrative allocations set out in the Government's consultation.Whilst there was unanimous support for the continued integration of health and adult social care, serious concerns were expressed regarding local authorities' ability to meet the financial, resource and time pressures. Of particular importance was the need for clarity on	

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the funding for implementation of the Care Act as well as on funding to pay for the new burdens in relation to Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards.

Decisions

The LGA Executive:

- i. asked that their views inform the continuing dialogue on the Better Care Fund between the LGA and the Department for Health; and
- ii. approved the LGA's response to the consultation on funding formulae for implementation of the Care Act in 2015/16.

3 Local Growth Deals

Cllr Peter Box (Environment, Economy, Housing and Transport Board Chair) introduced the item by summarising the key findings from LGA analysis of the Local Growth Deals announced by Government in July. In doing so, he highlighted the fragmented and centralised nature of the current funding landscape and emphasised the need to challenge Government on the level of devolution that has been delivered. He invited Members' views on how the LGA could keep up the pressure on Government to deliver greater devolution to local areas.

In the discussion that followed, Members made a number of comments, including:

- The Executive warmly welcomed the report and highlighted the value of sharing its findings with all councils in LGA membership.
- With reference to numerous examples of CityDeals from across the country, Members expressed frustration at the lack of genuine devolution and current centralised and uncertain funding landscape. There was strong feeling that the next round of growth deals must be much more ambitious - encompassing a broader scope than simply monetary transactions – and more inclusive – realising the value of rural economies in driving growth.
- In discussing the potential implications of the outcome of the Scottish referendum, Members highlighted the unique opportunity the national debate provided to build on the momentum and make a compelling case for greater financial and decision-making freedoms for English and Welsh localities. The suggestion of an LGA coordinated sector wide campaign was put forward. Members felt it was important that any campaign clearly articulate the sector's expectations of what 'devolution' means in practice through a series of key 'asks', such as devolving skills and jobs funding to local areas.
- There strong was cross party support for adopting an asymmetric approach to devolution which enabled councils to move at a pace

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in line their own capacity, whilst simultaneously ensuring that all areas have access the same tools and opportunities.

- Whilst discussing the central role of Local Enterprise Partnerships (LEPs) in delivering local growth plans, concerns were raised over the local accountability of LEPs, their boundaries and the level of LGA engagement with the LEP community.
- The financial and resource implications of bidding for multiple streams were discussed. Whilst some Members expressed concerns regarding the drain on finance and resources, it was also noted that these could be minimised through robust and well aligned business planning processes.

Decisions

The LGA Executive:

- i. asked that their views inform the LGA's lobbying work; and
- ii. agreed that the Environment, Economy, Housing and Transport Board take this work forward.

4 LGA Nominations to EU Committee of the Regions

Ian Hughes (Head of Programmes) introduced the report which asked Executive to endorse the list of nominations to the Committee of the Regions for the 2015-20 mandate which had been compiled by the LGA political groups offices in line with the selection criteria.

Overall the delegation met the selection criteria in terms of geographical balance. However in response to an issue raised Group Leaders agreed to review the appointments from the East Midlands to ensure more balanced representation from that region.

Decision

The LGA Executive approved the list of nominations to the Committee of the Regions for the 2015-20 mandate, on the proviso that there were discussions with East Midland members regarding representation.

5 Membership, Terms of Reference and Appointments to the LGA's Governance Structures for 2014/2015

The item was moved by the Chairman without further comment.

With reference to the People and Places membership, a Member asked that the remaining vacancy be filled by a Member from the East of England, as the region was at present not represented on the Board. Group Leaders agreed to look into this issue.

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Decision

The LGA Executive noted its Membership, Terms of Reference and the appointments to the LGA's governance structures for 2014/2015, subject to further discussion on the remaining vacancy on the People and Places Board.

6 Note of the last Leadership Board meeting - Tabled

Decision

The Executive noted the minutes of the Leadership Board held on Wednesday 10 September.

7 Note of last LGA Executive meeting

Decision

The Executive agreed the minutes of the previous Executive meeting held on 17 July.

8 Dates of Meetings in 2014/15

Decision

The Executive noted the meeting dates for the 2014/15 meeting cycle.

Appendix A -Attendance

Position/Role	Councillor	Authority
	Cllr Jim McMahon (Vice-Chair)	Oldham Metropolitan Borough Council
	Cllr Gary Porter (Vice-Chair)	South Holland District Council
	Cllr Gerald Vernon-Jackson (Vice-Chair)	Portsmouth City Council
	Cllr Marianne Overton MBE (Vice-Chair)	Lincolnshire County Council
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	Cllr Izzi Seccombe	Warwickshire County Council

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	<p>Cllr Peter Fleming Mayor Dorothy Thornhill MBE Cllr Chris White Cllr Jeremy Hilton Cllr Peter Reeve Cllr Robert Dutton OBE Mayor Jules Pipe Cllr Martin Hill OBE Cllr Roger Lawrence Cllr Paul Watson Cllr Nicolas Heslop Cllr Jason Ablewhite Alderman Sir David Wootton Cllr Mark Hawthorne MBE Cllr Gillian Brown</p>	<p>Sevenoaks District Council Watford Borough Council Hertfordshire County Council Gloucestershire County Council Cambridgeshire County Council Wrexham County Borough Council London Councils Lincolnshire County Council Wolverhampton City Council Association of North East Councils Tonbridge & Malling Borough Council Huntingdonshire District Council Local Partnerships Gloucestershire County Council Arun District Council</p>
	<p>Cllr Daniella Radice</p>	<p>Bristol City Council</p>
	<p>Apologies: Cllr David Sparks OBE Cllr Claire Kober Cllr Ian Stephens Cllr John Hart Cllr Tony Jackson Cllr Gordon Keymer CBE Cllr Stephen Parnaby OBE Cllr Barrie Grunewald Sir Stephen Houghton CBE</p>	<p>Dudley Metropolitan Borough Council Haringey LB and Resources Board Isle of Wight Council Devon County Council East Herts Council Tandridge District Council East Riding of Yorkshire Council St Helens Metropolitan Borough Council SIGOMA</p>

LGA location map

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Bus routes – Millbank

- 87** Wandsworth - Aldwych
- 3** Crystal Palace - Brixton - Oxford Circus

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Public transport

Local Government House is well served by public transport. The nearest mainline stations are: Victoria and Waterloo: the local underground stations are

St James's Park (Circle and District Lines), **Westminster** (Circle, District and Jubilee Lines), and **Pimlico** (Victoria Line) - all about 10 minutes walk away.

Buses 3 and 87 travel along Millbank, and the 507 between Victoria and Waterloo stops in Horseferry Road close to Dean Bradley Street.

Bus routes – Horseferry Road

- 507** Waterloo - Victoria
- C10** Canada Water - Pimlico - Victoria
- 88** Camden Town - Whitehall - Westminster - Pimlico - Clapham Common

Cycling facilities

The nearest Barclays cycle hire racks are in Smith Square. Cycle racks are also available at Local Government House. Please telephone the LGA on 020 7664 3131.

Central London Congestion Charging Zone

Local Government House is located within the congestion charging zone.

For further details, please call 0845 900 1234 or visit the website at www.cclondon.com

Car parks

- Abingdon Street Car Park (off Great College Street)
- Horseferry Road Car Park
- Horseferry Road/Arneway Street. Visit the website at www.westminster.gov.uk/parking

