



Councillors' Forum

Agenda

Thursday, 25 January 2024
12.30 pm

Hybrid Meeting - 18 Smith Square and
Online

There will be a meeting of the Councillors' Forum at **12.30 pm on Thursday, 25 January 2024**
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Please note: *The Political Group meetings will be held **prior** to this, as follows:*

11.00am	Conservative	Westminster Suite (8 th Floor)
11.00am	Labour	Beecham Room (7 th Floor)
11.00am	Independent	Victoria Room (8 th Floor)
11.00am	Liberal Democrat	Smith Square Rooms 1 & 2 (Ground Floor)

A sandwich lunch will be available in Smith Square Rooms 3 & 4 (Ground Floor)

LGA Hybrid Meetings

All of our meetings are available to join in person at [18 Smith Square](#) or remotely via videoconference as part of our hybrid approach. We will ask you to confirm in advance if you will be joining each meeting in person or remotely so we can plan accordingly, if you wish to attend the meeting in person, please also remember to confirm whether you have any dietary/accessibility requirements. 18 Smith Square is a Covid-19 secure venue and measures are in place to keep you safe when you attend a meeting or visit the building in person.

[Please see guidance for Members and Visitors to 18 Smith Square here](#)

Catering and Refreshments:

If the meeting is scheduled to take place at lunchtime, a sandwich lunch will be available.

Political Group meetings and pre-meetings for Lead Members:

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 3263	email: labgp@lga.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

Attendance:

Your attendance, whether it be in person or virtual, will be noted by the clerk at the meeting.

LGA Contact:

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Carers' Allowance

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Councillors' Forum – Membership

[Click here for accessible information on membership](#)

Councillor	Authority
Labour (37)	
Cllr Shaun Davies (Chair)	Telford and Wrekin Council
Cllr Nesil Caliskan (Vice-Chair)	Enfield Council
Cllr Bev Craig	Manchester City Council
Cllr Michael Payne	Gedling Borough Council
Cllr Anntoinette Bramble	Hackney London Borough Council
Cllr Susan Hinchcliffe	Bradford Metropolitan District Council
Cllr John Merry CBE	Salford City Council
Cllr Amanda Serjeant	Chesterfield Borough Council
Cllr Vince Maple	Medway Council
Cllr Richard Henry	Stevenage Borough Council
Cllr Damien Greenhalgh	High Peak Borough Council and Derbyshire County Council
Cllr Kaya Comer-Schwartz	Islington London Borough
Cllr Carl Johnson	North Tyneside Council
Cllr Arooj Shah	Oldham Metropolitan Borough Council
Cllr Naushabah Khan	Medway Council
Cllr Chris Penberthy	Plymouth City Council
Cllr Anthony Hunt	Torfaen County Borough Council
Cllr David Welsh	Coventry City Council
Cllr Jack Hemingway	Wakefield Council
Sir Stephen Houghton CBE	Barnsley Metropolitan Borough Council
Cllr Tudor Evans OBE	Plymouth City Council
Cllr Georgia Gould	Camden Council
Cllr Louise Gittins	Cheshire West and Chester Council
Cllr Satvir Kaur	Southampton City Council
Cllr Tracey Dixon	South Tyneside Council
Cllr Greg Brackenridge	City of Wolverhampton Council
Cllr David Baines	St Helens Borough Council
Cllr Darren Rodwell	Barking and Dagenham London Borough Council
Cllr Peter Marland	Milton Keynes Council
Cllr Claire Holland	Lambeth London Borough Council
Cllr Bella Sankey	Brighton and Hove City Council
Cllr Tim Roca	Westminster City Council
Cllr Susan Brown	Oxford City Council
Cllr Jane Ashworth OBE	Stoke on Trent City Council
Cllr Jane Scullion	Calderdale Council
Cllr Fran Belbin	Sheffield City Council
Cllr Dr Beccy Cooper	Worthing Borough Council
Substitutes	
Cllr Andrew Morgan	Rhondda Cynon Taf County Borough Council
Cllr Clyde Loakes	Waltham Forest London Borough Council
Cllr James Dawson	Erewash Borough Council
Cllr Eamonn O'Brien	Bury Metropolitan Borough Council
Cllr Peter Mason	Ealing Council

Cllr Shama Tatler	Brent Council
Cllr John Cotton	Birmingham City Council
Cllr James Lewis	Leeds City Council
Cllr Helen Holland	Bristol City Council
Cllr Liam Robinson	Liverpool City Council
Conservative (34)	
Cllr Kevin Bentley (Senior Vice-Chair)	Essex County Council
Cllr Abi Brown OBE	Stoke-on-Trent City Council
Cllr Izzi Seccombe OBE	Warwickshire County Council
Cllr Morris Bright MBE	Hertsmere Borough Council
Cllr David Fothergill	Somerset Council
Cllr Rory Love OBE	Kent County Council
Baroness O'Neill of Bexley OBE	Bexley Council
Cllr Antony Mullen	Sunderland City Council
Cllr Linda Taylor	Cornwall Council
Cllr Kelham Cooke	Lincolnshire County Council
Cllr Joanne Laban	London Borough of Enfield
Cllr William Nunn	Breckland Council
Cllr Colin Noble	Suffolk County Council
Cllr Philip Broadhead	Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole Council
Cllr Tim Oliver	Surrey County Council
Cllr Sam Chapman-Allen	Breckland District Council
Cllr Rob Waltham MBE	North Lincolnshire Council
Cllr Michael Wilcox	Lichfield District Council
Cllr Keith Glazier	East Sussex County Council
Cllr Patricia Bradwell OBE	Lincolnshire County Council
Cllr Robert Alden	Birmingham City Council
Cllr Rebecca Knox	Dorset Council
Cllr Martin Tett	Buckinghamshire Council
Cllr Louise McKinlay	Essex County Council
Cllr Sue Woolley	Lincolnshire County Council
Cllr Marc Bayliss	Worcestershire County Council
Cllr Matthew Hicks	Suffolk County Council
Cllr Phillip King	Harborough District Council
Cllr John Hart	Devon County Council
Cllr Mark Sutton	Staffordshire County Council
Cllr Peter Golds CBE	Tower Hamlets Council
Cllr Holly Whitbread	Epping Forest District Council
Cllr Barry Lewis	Derbyshire County Council
Cllr John Fuller OBE	South Norfolk District Council
Liberal Democrat (15)	
Cllr Joe Harris (Vice-Chair)	Cotswold District Council
Cllr Bridget Smith	South Cambridgeshire District Council
Cllr Lucy Nethsingha	Cambridgeshire County Council
Cllr Alan Connett	Devon County Council
Cllr Heather Kidd MBE	Shropshire Council
Cllr Gerald Vernon-Jackson CBE	Portsmouth City Council
Cllr Gareth Roberts	Richmond upon Thames London Borough
Cllr Sarah Osborne	East Sussex County Council
Cllr Liz Green	Royal Borough of Kingston upon Thames
Cllr Vikki Slade	Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole Council

Cllr Carolyn Lambert	East Sussex County Council
Cllr Tim Pickstone	Cumberland Council
Cllr Caroline Leaver	North Devon District Council
Cllr Howard Sykes MBE	Oldham Metropolitan Borough Council
Cllr Jon Ball	Ealing Council
Independent (12)	
Cllr Marianne Overton MBE (Vice-Chair)	North Kesteven District Council
Cllr Caroline Jackson	Lancaster City Council
Cllr Andrew Cooper	Kirklees Metropolitan Borough Council
Cllr Chidi Nweke	Epping Forest District Council
Cllr Tony Saffell	North West Leicestershire District Council
Cllr Craig Browne	Cheshire East Council
Cllr Johnny Denis	Lewes District Council
Cllr Nate Higgins	Newham London Borough
Cllr Sue Baxter	Bromsgrove District Council
Cllr Colin Mann	Caerphilly County Borough Council
Cllr Caroline Topping	Suffolk County Council
Cllr Georgina Hill	Northumberland Council

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Date of Next Meeting: Thursday, 7 March 2024, 12.30 pm, Hybrid Meeting - 18 Smith Square and Online