**Appendix A: Letter of application**



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| **Name of SIG**  | Unitary Councils’ Network |
| **Purpose of the SIG** | To further the specific interests of unitary councils, large and small. |
| **Nature of the common feature or interest** *(Applicants must undertake to admit to membership all authorities who share this interest)* | The challenges arising from member councils will include issues such as resilience to financial issues, especially the repatriation of the business rate. |
| **Authorities who have committed to join the SIG** *(must be a minimum of 10 authorities in full membership)* | 1. Bournemouth
2. Bracknell Forest
3. Cheshire East
4. Isle of Wight
5. Luton
6. Medway
7. North Lincolnshire
8. North Somerset
 | 1. Plymouth City
2. Portsmouth City
3. Rutland
4. Swindon
5. Telford & Wrekin
6. West Berks
7. Windsor & Maidenhead
8. Wokingham
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| **Lead Authority**  | Bracknell Forest Council |
| **Contact details for main contact** *(member or officer)*  | Name: Cllr Paul Bettison OBERole: Leader of Bracknell Forest  |