**Appendix A**

**Draft Work Programme**

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| Priority | Key outcomes | Board Activity | Timescales |
| **Housing and Planning** | Council role in building more homes recognised in government policy | Continue to influence the development of the government’s White paper and subsequent legislation.  Sponsor improvement work in this area | March 2017 |
| A better funded, proactive planning system delivering homes that communities need | To continue to press government for local determination of planning fees  Pursuing mechanisms for capturing uplift in land values for investment in infrastructure | March 2017 |
| Achieve a greater focus on preventing homelessness and improving the way vulnerable people and those in crisis are housed | Work to ensure that the Homelessness Recognition Bill becomes and Act in a way that best meets the need of the homeless.  Sponsor improvement work in this area | July 2017 |
| Further mitigate the wort impacts of the Housing and Planning Bill through the secondary legislation phase in areas such as starter homes and pay to stay | Work with Ministers and Officials to find workable ways to implement this legislation. | July 2017 |
| **Brexit** | Councils maximise the opportunities and mitigate risks | The Board to work with Councils and government to understand opportunities and risks in those areas under its remit. | March 2017 |
| **Waste and recycling** | Local authorities have the freedom to collect and dispose of waste in the way that is best suited to their residents. | A short review of LGA policy in these areas | July 2017 |
| **Transport** | Increased certainty and greater flexibility of transport funding and recognition of the value of investing to address the pothole problem. | Lobbying through the Autumn statement | November 2013 |
| Improve congestion through the full enacting of TMA part 6 in order for councils to enforce rules designed to keep traffic moving. | Lobbying through the Buses Bill | November 2013 |
| Improved **bus services** by all areas having automatic rights to bus franchising powers. | Lobbying through the Buses Bill |  |
| **Economy** | Establishing a credible option for post 2020 successor to **regional aid** | Working closely with the LGA Resources Board to establish options and lobby government | July 2017 |
| That a future **industrial strategy**:  •recognise the importance of place.  •gives Local leaders control over growth related funding.  •reflects local economic needs, and therefore ensuring skills and labour supply which meet employers’ current or future skills gaps and shortages. | Continue to refine the LGA’s position on the industrial strategy and to work with Ministers in securing an effective outcome for local areas | July 2017 |
| **Flooding** | Achieve increased local leadership and flexibility in the current approach to flood risk management, with devolved capital and revenue funding, so that it is spent in ways that better reflect the needs of local areas  Areas to be able to use precepts as a mechanism for increasing funding where there is local agreement  Councils to be able to set charges to enable full cost-recovery of statutory duties. | Achieved through continuing discussions with government through the Autumn Statement and beyond. | July 2017 |