**Chairman’s Update**

This report covers the Chairman’s activities in the period since the last Councillors’ Forum: 20 October 2016 – 2 March 2017.

**LGA and Ministerial/Parliamentary business**

* Cllr Claire Kober (Resources board) – LGA
* Cllr Martin Tett (Environment, economy, housing and transport board) – LGA
* UK Forum (LGA, WGLA, COSLA, NIGLA)
* Women's Local Government Society
* European Committee of Regions UK delegation AGM
* Markku Markkula (President) – European Committee of the Regions
* Rt Hon Sajid Javid MP (Secretary of State) – Department for Communities and Local Government
* Marcus Jones MP (Parliamentary Under Secretary of State, Minister for Local Government) – Department for Communities and Local Government
* Andrew Jones MP (Parliamentary under Secretary of State – Department for Transport)
* Lord Bourne of Aberystwyth (Parliamentary Under Secretary) – Department for Communities and Local Government
* Rt Hon Brandon Lewis MP (Minister of State for Policing and the Fire Service) – Home Office
* Rt Hon Andrea Leadsom MP (Secretary of State) – Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs
* Rt Hon David Jones MP (Minister of State) – Department for Exiting the European Union
* Gavin Barwell MP (Minister of State for Housing and Planning, Minister for London) – Department for Communities and Local Government
* Lord Bourne of Aberystwyth (Parliamentary Under Secretary) – Department for Communities and Local Government
* UK LG associations (LGA, WLGA, COSLA, NILGA) meeting with Rt Hon David Jones MP (Minister of Stat) – Department for Exiting the European Union

**Meetings with organisations and individuals**

* Dorset meeting with the Rt Hon Sajid Javid MP (Secretary of State) – Department for Communities and Local Government
* Marc Vlessing (CEO) – Pocket Living
* Alan Ward, (Chairman) – Residential Landlords Association

**Events and speaking engagements**

* CIH & Inside Housing parliamentary reception
* County APPG autumn parliamentary reception
* LGiU Councillor awards
* University of Lincoln parliamentary reception
* LGA Conservative Group Vice Presidents lunch
* LGA Labour Group Vice Presidents lunch
* LGA Independent Group annual conference
* LGA Independent Group Vice Presidents lunch
* CCN annual conference
* LGA staff conference
* DCN Assembly
* Localis report launch
* APPGPC meeting on pancreatic cancer treatments
* Public Sector Show
* APPG for the Private Rented Sector
* NALC Larger Councils conference
* De Montfort University David Wilson lecture
* Joseph Rowntree Foundation’s report launch - Gypsy/Traveller Accommodation
* Federation of Master Builders and the LGiU housing report launch
* LGA annual finance conference
* CFI Parliamentary Reception
* Holocaust memorial Day 2017 UK commemorative ceremony
* LGA’s parliamentary finance briefing
* Local Government APPG
* DCN annual conference