

Chairman's Update

This report covers the Chairman's activities in the period since the last Councillors' Forum: 20 July – 19 October 2017.

LGA and Ministerial/Parliamentary business

25 Jul	Grenfell Tower fire Ministerial Recovery Group (Department for Communities and Local Government)
6 Sep	Alok Sharma MP (Minister of State for Housing and Planning, Department for Communities and Local Government)
11 Sep	The Rt Hon Elizabeth Truss MP (Chief Secretary to the Treasury, HM Treasury)
12 Sep	Steve Barker MP (Parliamentary Under Secretary of State, Department for Exiting the European Union)
13 Sep	Cllr Izzi Seccombe (Chair, Community Wellbeing board)
13 Sep	LGA, COSLA, WLGA, NILGA meeting with Steve Barker MP (Parliamentary Under Secretary of State, Department for Exiting the European Union)
14 Sep	Cllr Simon Blackburn (Chair, Safer and Stronger Communities board)
18 Sep	Cllr Hill (Leader), Tony McArdle (Chief Executive), Lincolnshire County Council
19 Sep	Ministerial Building Safety Group (Department for Communities and Local Government)
20 Sep	Meg Hillier MP (Chair, Public Accounts Committee)
20 Sep	Cllr Richard Watts (Chair, Children and Young People board)
27 Sep	The Rt Hon Sajid Javid MP (Secretary of State, Department for Communities and Local Government)
4 Oct	The Rt Hon Jeremy Hunt MP (Secretary of State, Department of Health)
2 Oct	Cllr Elizabeth Campbell (Leade, LB of Kensington and Chelsea Council)
2 Oct	Mayor Ben Houchen (Tees Valley Combined Authority)
3 Oct	Mayor James Palmer (Cambridgeshire & Peterborough Combined Authority)
3 Oct	Mayor Tim Bowles (West of England Combined Authority)

Meetings with organisations and individuals

11 Sep	Colin Mellors (Chair), Jolyon Jackson (Chief Executive), Local Government Boundary Commission for England
11 Sep	Lord Bird (Big Issue, Crossbench peer)
2 Oct	Ofo bike sharing
3 Oct	Riverside housing association
16 Oct	Dr Jonathan Evans (CEO and Chairman, Ash and Lacy Group)

Events and speaking engagements

5 Sep	LGA Temporary Accommodation conference
7 Sep	APSE annual seminar
1-4 Oct	Conservative Party Conference
2 Oct	TFA roundtable event at Conservative Party Conference

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3 Oct	WElink fringe event at Conservative Party Conference
11 Oct	National Children and Adult Services Conference 2017
16 Oct	The Smith Institute - local housing companies report launch