

## **City Regions Board meetings forward plan**

### **Purpose of report**

For direction.

### **Summary**

This short paper sets out a draft agenda for the final Board meeting for members' comments.

Is this report confidential? Yes ☐ No ☒

#### **Recommendation/s**

1. Members to comment on and agree the forward plan.

#### **Action/s**

2. Officers to update the forward plan as required and will bring it to the final Lead Member meeting of the cycle. Officers to prepare invitations to speakers as directed.

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- At their last meeting, Lead Members asked for the forward plan to be shared with the full Board. The following table sets out a draft agenda for the final meeting in the Board cycle, noting as well the planned event at LGA annual conference. Members' comments on the agenda would be welcome; and an updated agenda will be discussed at the final Lead Member meeting on 23 May. Given the fast pace of the policy agenda, further amendments may need to be made between now and the Lead Member meeting.

Date	Provisional agenda	Summary
<b>15 June 2022</b>	<p>Vision for the Future of Cities</p> <p>Levelling Up Locally progress report (Inquiry member(s))</p> <p>Growth funding proposals, including UKSPF</p>	<p><i>Subject to members' steer at today's Board meeting, officers will prepare a paper that updates members on progress ahead of the event at LGA annual conference and sets out plans for further engagement and lobbying activity.</i></p> <p><i>By the time of the June meeting the LUL inquiry will have held the first two of 4 roundtables. This paper will update members on the discussions and emerging findings from the inquiry's research. It will invite members to discuss the direction of the inquiry and its recommendations.</i></p> <p><i>If members agree to commission a paper on growth funding to inform DLUHC's proposed plan, this will be prepared for the June meeting. It will draw on existing LGA research into the drawbacks of competitive funding and multiple funding pots to set out principles and</i></p>

	Rescheduled: BITC Place Taskforce (Lord Steve Bassam)	<i>practical steps for a new approach for the Board to consider. It will also update the Board on conversations to date.</i>
	Work Local: next steps	<i>Following technical difficulties at his earlier appearance, Lord Bassam will re-join the Board to discuss the Taskforce's final report, due to be published in May, next steps for the work and opportunities for engagement. The forms part of the Board's wider work in promoting the role of city regions in delivering better outcomes for their communities and supporting sustainable and inclusive economies.</i>
	Board's annual report	<i>Following the launch of the LGA's Work Local proposals, the Board will be updated on communications and engagement activity and members' views will be sought on activity planned through the summer in the lead up to party conferences, with the objectives of securing cross-party backing for our proposals at a national level; and engaging business, public sector and other stakeholders in support of a locally led skills and employment system.</i>
<b>29 June 2022</b>	<i>Urban fringe session, LGA Annual Conference</i>	<i>Each Board is required to submit to the Executive Advisory Board a record of their work and achievements over the course of the Board cycle. Members will be asked to comment on and approve the draft report.</i>
		<i>To be developed following members' steer at today's Board meeting.</i>