LGA long term policy-making and other milestones	Sep-22	Oct-22	Nov-22	Dec-22	Jan-23	Feb-23	Mar-23	Apr-23	May-23	Jun-23	Jul-23
	Board meeting Letters to new Ministers Government Growth Plan statement Party conferences Chairman and CX visits (throughout)	Party conferences Smith Square debate (levelling up)	**Board meeting** Possible Budget (tbc) Smith Square debate (climate change)	Smith Square debate (tbc)	**Board meeting**		**Board meeting** Spring statement tbc End of financial year			**Board meeting**	Annual conference and report

Theme No	Theme	Importance	Key political targets	Project	Aim	Sep-22	Oct-22	Nov-22	Dec-22	Jan-23	Feb-23	Mar-23	Apr-23	May-23	Jun-23	Jul-23	Notes
1	**Future of Cities**	Leaders of our city regions will have a key role to play in the shaping of cities in the future. The success of the UK's city regions will be key to determining the success of the UK as a whole. This work will inform their ability to transform urban areas, while also seeking to inform and influence Government and political manifestos, giving places the financial and policy support and governance space needed to deliver flourising city regions.	* Jeremy Pocklington - Perm Sec (DLUHC) * Will Garton - Director General, Levelling Up (DLUHC) * Catherine Frances - Director General, Local Government, Resilience & Communities (DLUHC)	**a) Digital hub**	To inform the wider future of cities work, which looks to influence the next political manifestos by bringing in a diverse range of voices into the conversation.			Citizen voices videos			Summit tbc						
				b) Urban conference with RSA	To reach an agreed set of asks and offers around the future of cities to feed into the LGA's lobbying to Government and political manifestos ahead of the next general election												
2	**Levelling Up**	To demonstrate local government's place leadership role in strengthening communities, reducing inequality and building opportunity.	* Jeremy Pocklington - Perm Sec (DLUHC) * Will Garton - Director General, Levelling Up (DLUHC) * Catherine Frances - Director General, Local Government, Resilience & Communities (DLUHC) * Susan Acland-Hood - Perm Sec (DfE) * Peter Schofield - Perm Sec (DWP)	**a) Levelling Up Locally Inquiry**	To lobby Government and feed into political manifestos in advance of the next general election.		2 x workshops	Draft report	Report complete	Comms ongoing								
				b) Levelling Up and Regeneration Bill	To sense check any changes with the sector, and where appropriate table amendments to the Bill as it passes through Parliament.	Parliamentary work	Parliamentary work		Get in on the Act' guide published tbc								
				c) Work Local - employment and skills devolution	Work Local: Secure buy-in from the Govt, opposition and stakeholders to empower local govt to have power and funding to coordinate local employment and skills offer. Alongside Work Local, work is ongoing to influence range of live national policies (further education reforms, DWP policy)	Stakeholder engagement	Stakeholder engagement			Work Local Summit tbc		Economc development skills - improvement work complete					
						Responded to LSIP guidance	Respond to DfE adult skills reforms Launch adult training report Publish Get in on the Skills Act Launch of DfE Multiply numeracy programme (local govt led)										
				d) Supporting economic inclusion	To examine the role of councils in supporting economic inclusion, and shine a light on the disparities, alongside the good practice that exists, to develop 'what good looks like'.		Equalities survey	Roundtables	Webinar tbc	Case studies online EDI principles published							
				f) Health devolution	Strengthen alignment between NHS reform and local authority devolution to improve health outcomes and economic and social development.	Met with NHS Confed		Potential roundtable on promoting economic and social development through ICS									
3	**Urban resilience**	City regions face an increasing variety of physical, political, economic and social risks. We need to understand the nature of these risks, what it means to be resilient and how our city regions can become resilient. This work should underpin the Government's National Resilience Strategy.	TBC	**a)**	To explore gaps in national/local resilience as it applies to urban areas, within the context of the national resilience strategy, and with city heat as a possible first step.	Scoping paper to Board		Project focus agreed				Output launched					
				b)													
				c)													
4	**Green Jobs**	To demonstrate local government needs to develop the jobs, businesses and workforce needs to deliver a just transition to net zero.	* Julian Critchlow - Director General, Energy Transformation & Clean Growth (BEIS) * Amy Jenkins - Deputy Director, Net Zero Strategy; Green Jobs Delivery Group (BEIS) * Zoe Forbes - Deputy Director, Labour Market & Sectors (DfE) * Helen Edmundson, Deputy Director, Green Finance & Green Recovery; natural jobs work (DEFRA)	**a) Skills for retrofit**	To influence govenrment policy to enable local government to achieve retrofit ambitions and develop the pipeline of skills needed. This includes develop the understanding of the need for a long term approach, the potential for developing good work and the need to develop the SME sector to support retorfit ambitions		Green Jobs Delivery Group meeting and joint Board meeting Stakeholder roundtables	Stakeholder roundtables			Retrofit report tbc						
				b) Influencing the Green Jobs Delivery Group	Work with the local government representation on the BEIS led Green Jobs Delivery Group to influence government policy to enable local government to develop net zero ambitions by devleoping green jobs and the skilled workforce needed to deliver it												
5	**Growth funding**	Growth funding plays a vital role in supporting economic growth through investment in infrastrucutre and people.	* Will Garton - Director General, Levelling Up (DLUHC) * Catherine Little - Director General, Public Spending and Finance (HMT) * Lynne Miles, Director of Policy, Cities and Local Grwoth Unit; UKSPF (DLUHC)) * Saba Tahzib - Deputy Director, UKSPF (DLUHC)	**a) Streamlining funding**	To advocate for a new 'defragmented' approach to growth funding that strengthens alignment with local priorities, is more efficient and better matches need with funding availability.		Research commissioned										
				b) UKSPF	To influence the implementation and roll out of the UKSPF to confirm the central role of councils and maintain pressure on government to match the quantum of previous EU funding.		DLUHC approval										