

Minutes of last Councillors' Forum meeting

Councillors' Forum

Thursday, 26 January 2023

Hybrid Meeting - 18 Smith Square and Online

Attendance

An attendance list is attached as **Appendix A**

Item	Decisions and actions
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1	Welcome, Declarations of Interest
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The Chairman welcomed Members to the Forum.

2	Ben Dyson, Department of Health and Social Care
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The Chairman welcomed Ben Dyson, policy director at the Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC), currently responsible for leading the department's hospital discharge programme.

Members discussed the following topics:

- The role of local government as a key player in hospital discharge
- The provision of grants by DHSC and an ask for conditions of the grants to be shared to allow councils to forward plan
- Data sharing between social care and hospitals to allow collaboration
- Support and recognition of the role of the voluntary and community sector as well as unpaid carers
- A need to prepare for winter when patient numbers typically increase

3	Chairman's Update
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The Chairman introduced his report updating on recent work of the LGA.

4	LGA Board Chair Reports
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The Chairman invited the following Chairs to update on the work of their Boards:

- City Regions Board – Mayor Marvin Rees
- Environment, Economy, Housing and Transport Board – Cllr David Renard
- People and Places Board – Cllr Kevin Bentley

5 Digest of the last meeting held on 20 October 2022

The digest of the last meeting was agreed as a correct record.

Appendix A -Attendance

Position/Role	Councillor	Authority
Chairman	Cllr James Jamieson OBE	Central Bedfordshire Council
Vice-Chairman	Cllr Izzi Seccombe OBE	Warwickshire County Council
	Cllr Shaun Davies	Telford and Wrekin Council
	Cllr Joe Harris	Cotswold District Council
	Cllr Marianne Overton MBE	North Kesteven District Council
Deputy-chairman		
Members	Cllr John Fuller OBE	South Norfolk District Council
	Cllr Robert Alden	Birmingham City Council
	Cllr David Fothergill	Somerset County Council
	Cllr David Renard	Swindon Borough Council
	Cllr Kevin Bentley	Essex County Council
	Cllr Peter Golds CBE	Tower Hamlets Council
	Cllr Michael Wilcox	Lichfield District Council
	Cllr Tim Oliver	Surrey County Council
	Cllr Sam Chapman-Allen	Breckland District Council
	Cllr Linda Taylor	Cornwall Council
	Cllr Rory Love OBE	Kent County Council
	Cllr Colin Noble	Suffolk County Council
	Cllr Penny Channer	Maldon District Council
	Cllr Lucy Stephenson	Rutland County Council
	Cllr Ash Ashbee	Thanet District Council
	Cllr Paul Osborn	Harrow London Borough
	Cllr Michael Payne	Gedling Borough Council
	Cllr Anntoinette Bramble	Hackney London Borough Council
	Cllr Susan Hinchcliffe	Bradford Metropolitan District Council
	Cllr Amanda Serjeant	Chesterfield Borough Council
	Cllr Louise Gittins	Cheshire West and Chester Council
	Mayor Marvin Rees	Bristol City Council
	Cllr Peter Marland	Milton Keynes Council
	Cllr Shabir Pandor	Kirklees Metropolitan Borough Council
	Cllr Brigid Jones	Birmingham City Council
	Cllr Nesil Caliskan	Enfield Council
	Cllr Anthony Hunt	Torfaen County Borough Council
	Cllr Sharon Thompson	Birmingham City Council
	Cllr Leigh Redman	Somerset County Council
	Cllr Vince Maple	Medway Council
	Cllr Tudor Evans OBE	Plymouth City Council
	Cllr Tracey Dixon	South Tyneside Council
Cllr Bridget Smith	South Cambridgeshire District Council	
Cllr Vikki Slade	Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole Council	
Cllr Gerald Vernon-	Portsmouth City Council	

Jackson CBE
Cllr Colin Mann
Cllr Mike Haines
Cllr Caroline Topping
Cllr Chidi Nweke

Caerphilly County Borough Council
Teignbridge District Council
Suffolk County Council
Epping Forest District Council

Apologies

Cllr Richard Wenham
Cllr Andrew Proctor
Cllr Keith Glazier
Cllr Kelham Cooke
Cllr Naushabah Khan
Cllr Bev Craig
Cllr Georgina Hill

Central Bedfordshire Council
Norfolk County Council
East Sussex County Council
South Kesteven District Council
Medway Council
Manchester City Council
Northumberland Council