

LGA Forward Plan

Purpose of report

For discussion and direction.

Summary

The LGA Leadership Board is responsible for driving the Association's activities and business, taking a lead in developing and overseeing delivery of the business plan and identifying the emerging and key issues to highlight to the LGA Executive.

As part of this, Members are invited to consider which items they would like to see on future agendas of the LGA Leadership Board, LGA Executive and Councillors' Forum.

The current draft agendas for March, April and June 2015 are attached at **Appendix A.**

Recommendation

That the Leadership Board endorses the Forward Plan and specifies topics and items for future meetings of the LGA Executive, Leadership Board and Councillors' Forum.

Action

Officers to brief Members and officers in line with steer.

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Appendix A

March 2015

LGA Leadership Board - 04 March 2015	
Item	Summary
Part 1	
RSG	To consider the business case and plan for submission to CLG
Municipal Bonds Agency	To report the final total for the Agency's equity raise, the LGA's consequent shareholding percentage and any action recommended by the company's directors.
LGA Business	
Annual Perceptions Survey	To review the LGA's Annual Perceptions Survey results
LGA Business Plan 2015/16	To agree the LGA's 2015/16 Business Plan for recommendation to the LGA Executive
LGA Budget 2015/16	To agree the LGA's 2015/16 Budget for recommendation to the LGA Executive
Chief Executive's Report	To hold the Chief Executive to account for delivery against the business plan
LGA Executive Agenda	To run through the items to be considered by the LGA Executive the following day
LGA Forward Plan	To consider topics for discussion at LGA Leadership Board, LGA Executive and Councillors' Forum
Note of the last meeting	To approve the note of the last meeting
Part 2 [CONFIDENTIAL]	
LGA Commercial Strategy	To consider the Commercial Advisory Board's proposals for a Commercial Strategy for the LGA
Review of LGA Company Structures	To report back on the professional advice obtained on the optimal company arrangements for the LGA
Annual Conference & Exhibition 2015	To update the Board on progress with arrangements for the Annual Conference & Exhibition.

Councillors' Forum - 05 March 2015	
First 100 Days	Presentation by the LGA's Group Leaders on the First 100 days of a new government
Chairman's Report	To present the Chairman's monthly report
Chairs of Boards' Reports	To present the Chairs of Boards' monthly reports
Digest of the last meeting	

LGA Executive - 05 March 2015	
Item	Summary
Part 1	
The Relationship between Councils and Statutory Agencies	To consider work undertaken since the Executive last considered this item.
LGA Corporate Peer Challenge	To consider the final report of the peer challenge team and agree an action plan
School Places in England	To consider a report from the CYP Board on school places in England
Peace Commission	To consider the final report of the Peace Commission
LGA Business	
LGA Business Plan 2015/16	To agree the Business Plan for 2015/16 as recommended by the Leadership Board
LGA Budget 2015/16	To agree the Budget for 2015/16 as recommended by the Leadership Board
Note of LGA Leadership Board Meeting	To highlight key issues from the LGA Leadership Board meeting the previous day
Note of the last Executive meeting	To agree the note of the last meeting.

April

LGA Leadership Board - 15.04.15	
Item	Summary
Part 1	
LGA Business	
Queen's Speech	To consider a summary of Bills expected in the Queen's Speech
General Assembly – format and agenda	To consider and endorse the proposed format and agenda for the General Assembly

LGA Proportionality – timetable	To agree the process and timetable for confirming changes to LGA proportionality
Performance Report	To consider the full year performance report
Communications Update	To consider a report on communications activity over the past year.
Chief Executive's Report	To hold the Chief Executive to account against delivery of business plan priorities
LGA Executive Agenda	To run through the items to be considered by LGA Executive the following day
LGA Forward Plan	To consider topics for discussion at LGA Leadership Board, Executive and Councillors Forum
Note of the last meeting	To approve the note of the last meeting
PART 2 [CONFIDENTIAL]	
Annual Conference & Exhibition 2015	To comment on and approve the emerging programme and activities for the 2015 Conference & Exhibition

NOTE: LGA Executive and Councillors' Forum do not meet in April

June

LGA Leadership Board - 10 June 2015	
Item	Summary
Part 1	
LGA Business	
LGA Political Balance	To endorse proportionality figures as the basis for negotiating the allocation of chairs/vice-chairs and populating member structures
General Assembly Motions	Agree motions for recommendation to the General Assembly
Vice-Presidents	To approve the nominations made by the political groups
LGA Consolidated Accounts	To approve the financial statements for the year to 31 March for presentation to the General Assembly
Audit Committee Minutes	To note the Minutes of the Audit Committee
SIGs Annual Reports	To note the Annual Reports of the LGA's Special Interest Groups
Chief Executive's Report	To hold the Chief Executive to account for delivery against the business plan

LGA Executive Agenda	To run through the items to be considered by the LGA Executive the following day
LGA Forward Plan	To consider topics for discussion at LGA Leadership Board, LGA Executive and Councillors' Forum
Note of the last meeting	To approve the note of the last meeting
Part 2 [CONFIDENTIAL]	
Annual Conference & Exhibition 2015	To update the Board on progress with arrangements for the Annual Conference & Exhibition.

Councillors' Forum - 11 June 2015

Chairman's Report	To present the Chairman's monthly report
Chairs of Boards' Reports	To present the Chairs of Boards' monthly reports
Digest of the last meeting	

LGA Executive - 11 June 2015

Item	Summary
Part 1	
LGA Business	
Queen's Speech	To approve the suggested priority Bills for the LGA
Audit Committee report to General Assembly	To approve the Audit Committee report to General Assembly
General Assembly Motions	To agree motions for submission to General Assembly
LGA Constitution [TBC]	To agree any changes to the LGA Constitution for recommendation to the General Assembly
LGA Political Balance	To note the revised proportionality and the implications for the distribution of seats on governance structures
Note of LGA Leadership Board Meeting	To highlight key issues from the LGA Leadership Board meeting the previous day
Note of the last LGA Executive meeting	To agree the note of the last meeting.