**Chairman’s Update**

This report covers the Chairman’s activities in the period since the last Councillors’ Forum: 21 January 2016 to 3 March 2016.

**LGA business**

* Council of Regions’ Delegation
* District Councils’ Network winter assembly
* Shared Chief Executive SIG meeting
* LGA Labour Vice President’s lunch
* Joint County Councils’ Network and District Councils’ Network summit
* Lord Kerslake, President – Local Government Association
* LGA Conservative Vice Presidents lunch
* South East England Councils’ meeting
* East Midlands Councils’ meeting
* AGM of the UK Delegation to the EU Council of Europe
* Catherine Harrington, Director of the National Community Land Trust Network
* Citizens Advice

**Ministerial/Parliamentary business**

* Brandon Lewis MP - Minister of State for Housing and Planning, Department for Communities and Local Government
* The Hon. Dr Stefan Buontempo - Parliamentary Secretary for Local Government, Malta
* 2016 Rehab Parliamentary pancake race
* East of England Parliamentary reception
* Lords’ committee on housing
* Graham Stuart MP
* Rt Hon John Healey MP, Shadow Minister for Housing and Planning

**Meetings with organisations and individuals**

* NALC and Local Democracy APPG reception
* Homes for Heroes Foundation launch
* ResPublica report launch
* Crisis campaign launch
* SOLACE charity dinner