

<b>Current LGA support activity</b>	<b>Audience</b>	<b>Intended outcome</b>	<b>Timing / dissemination</b>
<b>Publications and reports</b>			
Governance models: review possible executive arrangements and different mayoral models (Professor Robin Hambleton)	Senior officers and members in councils, especially those in combined authorities.	Raising awareness of different models of governance; sharing knowledge on how to evaluate different models.	Report to LGA end April, dissemination online and through existing events in June/July
Analysis of the implications of the Cities and Local Government Devolution Act 2016 for the formation of combined authorities and practical advice for those considering a CA (supplier tbc)	Senior officers and members in councils, especially those considering combined authorities.	Councils are better informed on the practicalities of forming a combined authority.	Report to LGA early May, dissemination online and through officer network in first instance.
Briefing note on health devolution and the implications for providers and the VCS (builds on briefing event on 1 March)	Councils, health partners, VCS groups	Better awareness of how health and care devolution fits into the wider transformation landscape. Co-branded with NHS Clinical Commissioners and NHS Confederation.	March; dissemination online and through relevant networks.
Sharing the experience of Greater Manchester council and health partners of their health and care devolution experiences (from roundtable event Feb 2016).	Councils with an interest in health and care devolution.	Learning is shared across the sector. Co-branded with Greater Manchester Combined Authority, Greater Manchester NHS and Public Sector Transformation Network.	March; dissemination online
LGA DevoNext hub	Wide	LGA continues to be the leader in sharing knowledge on devolution in England.	Ongoing
Interviews and analysis of devolution deal process to date	Members and officers in councils, LEPs, civil servants	Learning from frontrunner deals is captured; recommendations made	Report to LGA end March. Publication likely post

(New Economy)	and Minister.	for improving the process where possible.	purdah. Depending on finding we may consider a local/national roundtable to discuss next steps.
Think pieces: the role of communities and the VCS in devolution (partner tbc)	Councils and voluntary and community organisations	Good practice is shared and councils are better equipped to engage their community representatives on devolution.	Report to LGA in the summer
<b>Work with places</b>			
Bespoke engagement with places on negotiations	Demand-driven	Places benefit from the most up to date information on devolution and 'critical friend' challenge.	Ongoing
Governance support to councils (Centre for Public Scrutiny)	Council members and officers	Some places are directly supported to develop their governance arrangements and learnings are shared with all.	Report to LGA at end March; dissemination online; workshop with devolution network planned; session at member event planned.
Higher education: programme of engagement with Universities UK	Initial work focused on small group of leaders from both sectors. Lessons to be shared with councils, combined authorities and LEAs.	Better understanding of how universities and higher education partners can play a role in place-based services.	Scoping meeting in March; potential for 12-month programme
<b>Lobbying</b>			
Engaging with MPs to share key messages about devolution.	All MPs	MPs are better able to engage constructively in local discussions.	To align with first annual devolution report from the Secretary of State.
<b>Events</b>			
Officer devolution network	Council officers involved in	Learning and advice is shared	Next meeting 28 April.

	devolution deals	between peers. Knowledge and information can be targeted to key individuals.	Ongoing activity, including thematic workshops.
Member devolution event	All members, especially backbench members	Members are better informed about the national context on devolution and can engage more effectively in local conversations.	21 June
Joint event with NALC (National Association of Local Councils)	Principal and town and parish councillors	The sector is aware of the opportunities for onward devolution to town and parish councils. Town and parish councils better understand the wider local government context.	1 June (tbc)
Devolution sessions at LGA annual conference	All delegates	Specifics are still being scoped out.	5-7 July
Local devolution communication events.	On demand from places	Comms officers are better able to communicate with their residents about devolution.	Three events in train for the spring.
<b>Tools</b>			
Analysis and sharing of tax and spend data tool for all councils, plus guides on how to use effectively	Council officers negotiating or implementing a devolution deal or working on public service transformation	Councils are better able to make the case for transforming public services	LGA currently reviewing first drafts. Dissemination online once QA checks have been completed.
Local devolution communications tools.	Comms officers in councils and combined authorities.	Comms officers are better able to communicate with their residents about devolution.	Project is currently being scoped.
<b>LGA corporate work</b>			
Ongoing development of the	Various	Various, with a focus on ensuring	Ongoing in anticipation of

broader support offer on devolution to ensure it remains relevant to all places.		our offer remains relevant to councils at all stages of the process.	RSG.
Combined authority working group	Internal	The LGA reflects the changes in local government.	Reports to Leadership Board in April.