

EAST OF ENGLAND LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

Aims & Activities

- To represent the interests of local authorities in the region
- To formulate sound policies for the development of local government in the region
- To promote the policies of the East of England LGA and provide information/advice on local government issues to the public and partner organisations
- To enable Councillors to exercise their democratic accountability and leadership effectively
- To support innovation and excellence that enables local authorities and their partnerships to meet the needs of their communities and meet future challenges.

Representation	Meetings per year	Expenses paid by Organisation
Leader of the Council	Assembly of Council Leaders – twice yearly	No

Status of Member	Insurance Provision
Representative of ECDC	Yes

Category of Officer Support	Contact Officer	Representative for 2017/18
1	Chief Executive John Hill	Councillor Charles Roberts

Report from representative for 2017/18:

The East of England LGA is a politically-led, cross party organisation which works on behalf of the 52 local councils in the East of England. It provides expert advice and support to enable Authorities to work on topical challenges and issues.

The Association comprises the Leader (or equivalent, such as Mayor) of each Council and meetings are held on a quarterly basis to tackle the strategic issues facing councils across the East of England.

The EELGA organisation also provides expert technical advice available to member councils in relation to Human Resources, procurement and more specific consultancy services.

There will be a review of EELGA in 2018/19 to ensure its financial sustainability over the long term.

Representative for 2018/19
Councillor Charles Roberts

LGA – DISTRICT COUNCILS' NETWORK

Aims & Activities

- To lobby and negotiate directly with senior members of national political parties on district specific needs and issues – the “localism” agenda;
- To inform and influence national agencies, government departments and other local authority agencies on things that matter, such as resources and allocation;
- To get the Network’s unique message across to the audiences that matter – people, Government, partners, regulators;
- Help each other to remain effective and share learning/good practice.

Representation	Meetings per year	Expenses paid by Organisation
Leader of the Council	4	No

Status of Member	Insurance Provision
Representative of ECDC	No

Category of Officer Support	Contact Officer	Representative for 2017/18
1	Chief Executive: John Hill	Councillor Charles Roberts

Report from Representative for 2017/18:

The District Councils’ Network (DCN) is a cross-party member led network of 200 district councils. It is a Special interest Group of the Local Government Association (LGA) and provides a single voice for district councils within the LGA.

The DCN works to ensure the network is in a position to shape national policy, providing expert evidence and solutions for Government from a district council perspective. It issues regular newsletters, hosts member and multi-stakeholder events, responds to government consultations and undertakes research and produces publications on behalf of the sector.

Recent issues championed by DCN include New Homes Bonus, Local Government Grant Settlement, public sector reform, devolution, and homelessness legislation to name a few.

Representative for 2018/19
Councillor Charles Roberts