

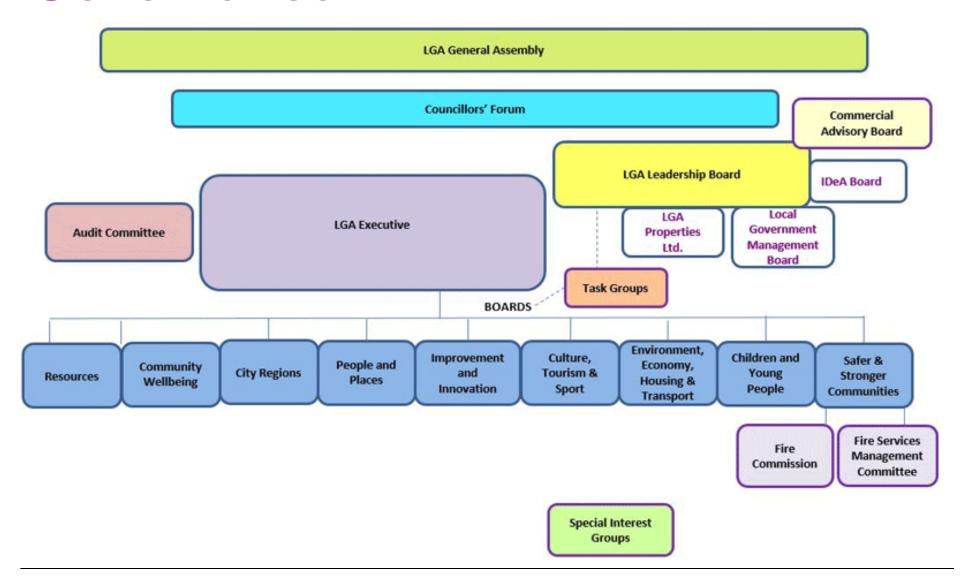


## LGA – place-based priorities

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### Governance



### **Key priorities – City Regions**

**Delivering devolution** – overseeing work to support the delivery of devolution deals already agreed and to ensure that the lessons from those in the 'vanguard' are captured and shared with councils more widely;

**Driving devolution** – advancing the case for devolution through national Government's place-based growth agenda e.g. the Industrial Strategy and on a Department-by-Department basis, such as skills and employment and trade and investment;

**Future devolution** – building the policy arguments and stakeholder networks to support devolution that goes beyond the current Government's ambitions e.g. greater fiscal autonomy, with a view to influencing future manifestos.

**Urban leadership** – assembling a coalition of interested and relevant parties to consider and re-articulate the distinct concerns and opportunities of urban authorities across England to a national audience

### **Key priorities – People and Places**

**Pushing for devolution now** – advocating for devolution through national Government's place-based growth agenda i.e. the Industrial Strategy and on a Department-by-Department basis, such as skills and employment support devolution and sub-national trade and investment reform

**Building the case for future devolution** – using the Post-Brexit England Commission as a platform to advance a refreshed case for devolution to non-metropolitan areas, re-positioning councils as a key partner with Government in shaping and supporting a successful post-Brexit England;

Strengthening non-metropolitan economic resilience – pushing for parity of treatment in Government policy and investment across all parts of England, with a targeted focus on issues of particular priority, reflecting the extent of the Board's wider work-programme, such as digital connectivity and the opportunity to reform the Common Agricultural Policy.

# **Key priorities – Economy, Environment, Housing & Transport**

#### Housing and planning

Build prosperous places well supported by services and infrastructure, (taking into account the new NPPF and the Letwin review on build out rates).

- effective resourcing of planning departments
- influence development of NPPF guidance to support locally led planning
- work on viability
- Land value capture
- Deliver more homes
  - social housing green paper,
  - lobby on Right to Buy and rent setting,
  - working on the implementation of the lifting of financial restrictions.
- Private rented sector
- Reduce homelessness

## **Key priorities – Economy, Environment, Housing & Transport**

#### **Inclusive growth and Transport**

- Local Industrial Strategies
  - Influencing future funding, including the UKSPF and successor to Local Growth Fund; improvement support
- Support for changing town centres
  - Lobbying for local determination of planning; funding win, Future High Streets
     Forum and Ministerial Expert Panel

### Transport

- Streamlined funding MRN, Roads Funding and reduced fragmented funding
- Buses concessionary fares underfunding
- Environment Protection Bill
- Future transport electric, connected and autonomous vehicles

# **Key priorities – Economy, Environment, Housing & Transport**

#### **Environment**

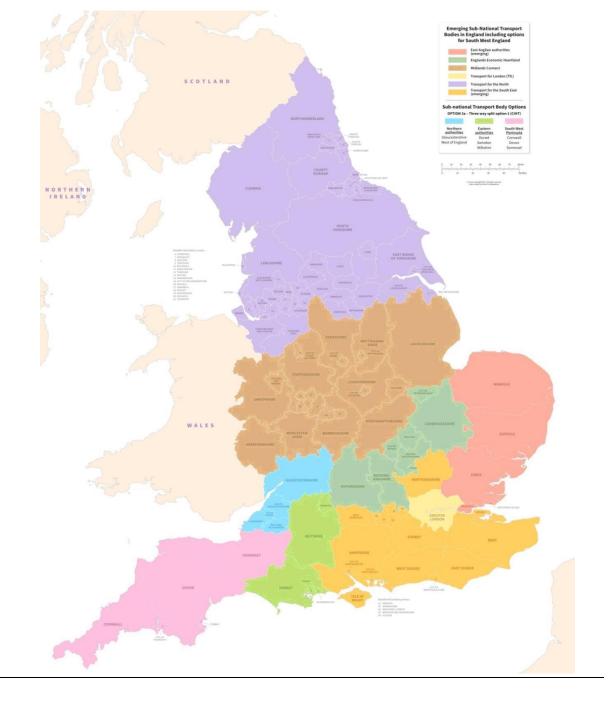
### Waste and recycling

Understand the impact of exiting the EU on environmental policy, including
waste and recycling, and to help shape the new policy framework which will be
set out in the upcoming Resource and Waste Strategy, with a focus on the
implications of increased producer responsibility and the ban by China on the
import of certain categories of waste material.

### Flooding

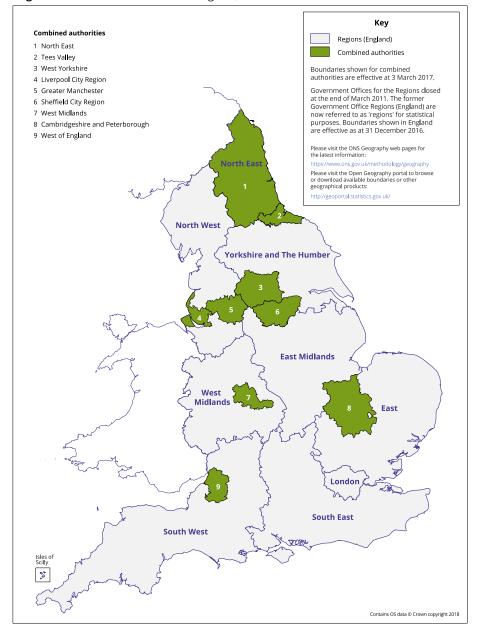
 To work with our members and government to ensure that policy infrastructure funding on flood defences meets the needs of communities

# Changing geographies - STBs



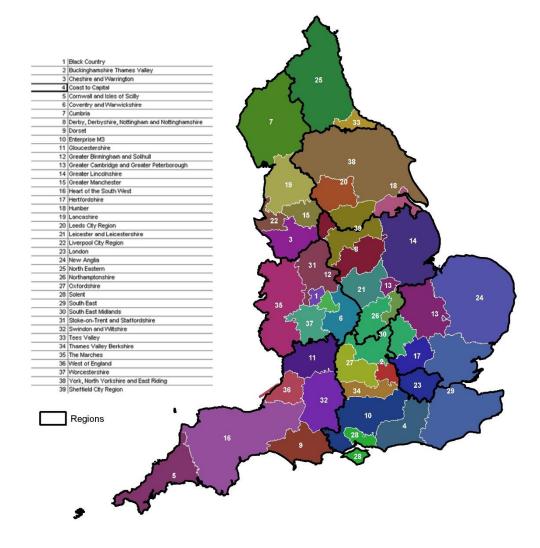
# Changing geographies - CAs

**England:** Combined authorities and regions, 2017





# Changing geographies - LEPs



### Influencing/ public affairs

- The Public Affairs team leads and coordinates the LGA's corporate engagement with Parliament and other political stakeholders.
- Briefings for parliamentary debates, shaping legislation as it progresses through Parliament, and submitting written and oral evidence to parliamentary select committees.
- Coordinate an annual programme of political events which include: political group roundtables in Parliament, a programme of
  events across the main party conferences, an annual parliamentary reception attended by the Secretary of State, and adhoc events and roundtables in Parliament.
- Aims a) raise the profile of local government within Parliament and the Government; b) secure successful political and legislative change which benefits councils and the communities they serve; c) to ensure the reputation of local government is upheld in Parliament and across government.
- Reactive work to answer queries from MPs, and Peers. We also work with them to place items on the parliamentary agenda which affect local government.
- Recent examples of our successful parliamentary engagement include: amendments to legislation such as the Tenant Fees Bill; securing parliamentary support for the removal of the Housing Revenue Account borrowing cap through the Treasury Committee; raising the profile of the challenges facing adult social care, through parliamentary engagement with our own social care green paper.

### Questions?