



NLGN events 2013

January

The New Outsourcing Market

8th January, 12:00 – 14:00, 7 Henrietta Street, London

The outsourcing landscape is going through a once in a decade shift with providers and commissioners both undergoing radical changes. This event will look at what principles this new outsourcing market should embrace and what the barriers are to achieving it.

Consumer trends, future citizens

22nd January, 12:00 – 14:00, 7 Henrietta Street, London

Consumer trends in key sectors, whether retail, travel or mobile, could help to inform public service design and democratic engagement, but are rarely used or understood. This event will explore what consumer trend data can tell us and how local government can use it.

Report launch: Next Generation - Next Steps

22nd January, 15:30 – 17:30, House of Parliament, Westminster

Launch of NLGN's research report that explores the values and attitudes of today's young people and investigates how services will need to adapt in order to best meet their needs. The launch will include a discussion on these themes, featuring leading stakeholders including Gordon Marsden MP. .

NLGN Annual Conference

30th January 2013, 08:30 – 16:00, Christ Church, Spitalfields, London E1

A comprehensive briefing on challenges 2013 has in store for local government, including Rt. Hon. Eric Pickles MP as opening keynote speaker. Have you reserved your free place? Further information available on the NLGN website, <http://www.nlgn.org.uk/public/2012/nlgn-annual-conference-2013/>

The next spending review: Thinking the unthinkable

31th January, 13:00 – 14:30, PwC, Cornwall Court, 19 Cornwall Street, Birmingham B3 2DT

An interactive roundtable exploring how local government will get through the next spending review. We will discuss the practical steps that councils are currently taking and the theoretical insights developed at the Chief Executive war game we conducted at our annual policy summit in November on where councils may go next.

February

Capacity development and support for informal carers

5th February, 12:00 – 14:00, 7 Henrietta Street, London

Informal carers are a key pillar of care delivery in the UK, but due to the private nature of their work all too often they go unacknowledged. This session will identify how councils can support informal carers in new ways and ensure they have the resources they need to continue in a challenging role.

The next spending review: Thinking the unthinkable

5th February, 13:00 – 14:30, PwC, Benson House, 33 Wellington Street, Leeds LS1 4JP

An interactive roundtable exploring how local government will get through the next spending review. We will discuss the practical steps that councils are currently taking and the theoretical insights

developed at the Chief Executive war game we conducted at our annual policy summit in November on where councils may go next.

The next spending review: Thinking the unthinkable

12th February, 10:00 – 11.30, PwC, Embankment Place, London WC2N 6RH

An interactive roundtable exploring how local government will get through the next spending review. We will discuss the practical steps that councils are currently taking and the theoretical insights developed at the Chief Executive war game we conducted at our annual policy summit in November on where councils may go next.

Real time democracy: understanding drivers of satisfaction

19th February, 12:00 – 14:00, 7 Henrietta Street, London

Thanks to social media, feedback is now constant and open. Conversation and two-way engagement is the promised land of community engagement. What implications will this have for local democratic decision making where the mood and feeling of a place can be captured instantly?

March

How can social media be an evidence base for social research?

5th March, 12:00 – 14:00, 7 Henrietta Street, London

Drawing on the expertise of the recently set-up Centre for the Analysis of Social Media, this roundtable will explore how tools such as twitter can be used as an evidence base for social research and how this may be used by local authorities.

Social Care – if we put everything on the table can we really do it differently?

19th March, 12:00 – 14:00, 7 Henrietta Street, London

It's clear that the essentials of social care delivery need to be rethought to meet the combined pressures of increased demand and reduced resources. This roundtable will look at how partnerships, structures and processes can be retooled to meet this challenge.

April

A Young Recovery – How does London match up its potential workforce with its potential jobs?

2nd April, 12:00 – 14:00, 7 Henrietta Street, London

Where in other parts of the UK, the lack of jobs is a main cause of youth unemployment, this is not so much the case in London. London is not in a recession, there are jobs to be had. This roundtable will explore the ways in which London Boroughs can coordinate economic growth that doesn't leave its young people behind.

Recruiting the next generation of local government executives – what are you really looking for and where do you find them?

16th April, 12:00 -14:00, 7 Henrietta Street, London

Councils often talk about the necessary changes in culture and mind-set to allow local authorities to face an exceptionally challenging environment. Are your recruitment processes successful in attracting the type of high achieving innovators this environment requires? This discussion will allow participants to share insights on what works.

Pocket book poverty – what can local government do to help residents stay above the poverty line?

30th April, 12:00 – 14:00, 7 Henrietta Street, London

Food prices are going up. Energy prices are going up. Disposable incomes are going down. This roundtable will explore and share the innovative ways in which local government, with its partners, can best help its residents whose incomes are being squeezed.

May

New charging models – the price, the politics, the place?

14th May, 12:00 - 14:00, 7 Henrietta Street, London

Politically, charging models are a hot potato, but many local authorities seem to be quietly getting things right. This round table will share new ideas for traditional charging revenue streams, including parking, while rethinking what more ambitious charging models could achieve in a local area.

Smarter cities – what's possible and where does local government fit in?

28th May, 12:00 – 14:00, 7 Henrietta Street, London

“Smarter cities” is a concept that is often spoken about amongst large IT firms and in academic circles, but how can we bring the concept of smart cities from the abstract to the practical? What does a smarter city (or a smarter borough) look like and what do councils need to do to make it happen?