

NLGN Annual Conference

Meeting the challenges of 2013



Conference programme

Wednesday 30th January 2013

8.30am – 3.00pm

Christ Church, Spitalfields, central London



8.30am Conference registration opens, tea and coffee served

9.25am **Conference Chair Welcome**

9.30am **The Year Ahead**

Simon Parker, *Director, NLGN* (Confirmed)

10.00am **Opening Keynote address**

Preparing for the challenges of 2013

Rt Hon Eric Pickles MP, *Secretary of State, DCLG* (Confirmed)

10.20am Question and answer

10.30am **Anticipating the next spending review**

Rt. Hon. Danny Alexander MP, *Chief Secretary, HMT* (Invited)

10.50am Question and answer

11.00am **Keynote Address**

A new deal for local government?

Rt Hon Hilary Benn MP, *Shadow Secretary of State, DCLG* (Confirmed)



11.20am Question and answer

11.30am **Chief Executive panel and responses to morning presentations**
Jim Graham, *Chief Executive, Warwickshire County Council* (Confirmed)
Lesley Seary, *Chief Executive, Islington Council* (Invited)
Dave Smith, *Chief Executive, Sunderland City Council* (Invited)
Daniel Goodwin, *Chief Executive, St Albans City and District Council* (Invited)

11.50am Question and answer

12.00pm **Lunch**

1.00pm **Breakout Sessions (1pm-2pm)**

The Road to 2015: Leading the organisation through change

Gavin Jones, *Chief Executive, Swindon Borough Council* (Confirmed)

Cllr Paul Carter, *Leader, Kent County Council* (Confirmed)

Ada Burns, *Chief Executive, Darlington Borough Council* (Invited)

New Model Partnerships: What does the future hold for the Public/Private relationship

Paul Blantern, *Chief Executive, Northamptonshire County Council* (Confirmed)

Sheena Ramsey, *Chief Executive, Knowsley Council* (Invited)

2.00pm **Business in 2013**

John Cridland, *Director General, CBI* (Invited)

2.30pm Question and answer

2.40pm ***The 'Big' Financial Picture***

Martin Wolf, *Columnist, Financial Times* (Invited)

3.10pm Question and answer



-
- 3.20pm **Major trends for local government to be watching in 2013**
Bobby Duffy, *Managing Director, Ipsos Mori*
(Confirmed)
- 3.50pm Question and answer
- 4.00pm **Conference Chair Concluding Remarks**
- 4.10pm **Conference Close**

