Capita’s National Conference

Developing Commercialism in Local Government

Wednesday 19th June 2013 – Central London

Chair: Cllr Peter Fleming
Chairman
LGA Improvement Board and
Leader
Sevenoaks District Council

Speakers Include:

Brandon Lewis MP
Parliamentary Under Secretary of State
Department for Communities and
Local Government

Martin Reeves
Chief Executive
Coventry City Council and
President
SOLACE

Jonathan Flowers
Local Government Market Director
Capita and
Former Deputy Chief Executive
Bedfordshire County Council

Manjeet Gill
Chief Executive
West Lindsey District Council

John Tradewell
Director of Democracy, Law and
Transformation
Staffordshire County Council

Ged Fitzgerald
Chief Executive
Liverpool City Council
About the Event

Capita’s Developing Commercialism in Local Government Conference comes at the crucial time when councils are exploring entrepreneurial approaches to alleviate the increasing effects and pressures of austerity in local government.

With councils increasingly seeking innovative solutions and alternative methods of maximising revenue and creating new income streams, this event address the drive in local government to fundamentally re-shape their services and how they are financed to secure outcomes under different mechanisms.

You will hear from key stakeholders in local government addressing pertinent issues, including:

• Developing innovative, commercial and sustainable income streams for local government
• Pursuing the cultural shift in local government towards a business model approach
• Exploring new models of service delivery and commercialising existing products
• Supporting local growth and economic activity through engagement and investment
• Addressing investment opportunities and risk management of public money and council assets

Attend this senior networking forum to explore the future of local government and how the drive towards commercialism is progressing to maximise revenue generation and expand sustainably to meet the needs of the local area.

Benefits of Attending

• Hear from the Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for the Department for Communities and Local Government about driving local growth and entrepreneurialism throughout local government
• Understand how a local authority has entered into a joint venture collaboration to maximise the capacity, expertise and efficiency of service provision
• Explore new models of revenue generation through developing trading arms and commercial divisions whilst retaining control and safeguarding services
• Discover how the private sector can aid the development of commercial capacity in local government
• Gain insight into appropriately designing your services to increase efficiency and introducing income streams that utilise existing assets
• Learn how City Deals are supporting the local economy and fostering growth and entrepreneurial activity

Who Should Attend

• Chief Executives and Executive Directors
• Council Leaders
• Councillors and Cabinet Members
• Heads of Finance
• Heads of Procurement
• Heads of Services
• Heads of Asset Management
• Shared Services Teams
• Corporate Resources Teams
• Performance Teams
• Business Management Teams
• Business Investment Teams
• Transformation Teams
• Commissioning Teams
• Private Sector
• Social Enterprise Providers

Forthcoming Events

Payment by Results in Public Services – Wednesday 15th May – Central London
Managing Elections at the Local Level – Tuesday 25th June- Central London
Third Sector Commissioning – July – Central London

Sponsorship and Exhibition Opportunities

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For further information please contact Matt Turton on 020 7960 7717 or email matt.turton@capita.co.uk

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09.20 Registration Tea and Coffee

09.50 Chair’s Opening Remarks
Cllr Peter Fleming, Chairman, LGA Improvement Board and Leader, Sevenoaks District Council

10.00 Supporting Entrepreneurialism in Local Government
• Driving growth in local government
• Giving councils the flexibility to act in their own financial interests
• Using the Localism agenda and business rates reform to tailor provision for local areas
Brandon Lewis MP, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State Department for Communities and Local Government

10.20 Questions and Discussion

10.30 What Does “Council Commercialism” Mean and How Can It Be Achieved
• Innovatively generating income
• Changing the culture within local government
• Supporting local businesses
Jonathan Flowers, Local Government Market Director Capita and Former Deputy Chief Executive Bedfordshire County Council

10.50 Questions and Discussion

11.00 Networking Tea and Coffee Break

11.30 Harnessing External Partners’ Infrastructure and Experience in a Joint Venture
• Retaining influence and safeguarding services in the face of budget cuts through innovative solutions
• Sharing risk and generating significant additional revenues mid to long term
• Responding to changes in the education support services market
John Tradewell
Director of Democracy, Law and Transformation Staffordshire County Council

11.50 Questions and Discussion

Panel Discussion

12.00 Reforming Local Government for the Future
• Driving forward the shift in local government thinking
• Fostering entrepreneurialism within the public sector
• Assessing new fiscal measures and potential income generators
Join speakers from the day and:
Alison Scott, Director, Local Government, CIPFA
Paul Simpson, Service Director, Finance and Procurement Nottinghamshire County Council
Paul O’Brien, Chief Executive Association for Public Service Excellence

13.45 Roundtable Discussion Sessions

DELEGATES CHOOSE ONE ROUNDTABLE TO ATTEND

Roundtable 1
Driving Local Economic Growth through Engagement and Investment with Businesses
• Utilising City Deals to develop better relationships with local businesses and promoting your area for economic activity
Ged Fitzgerald
Chief Executive Liverpool City Council

Roundtable 2
Creating a Commercially Minded Workforce
• Approaching and monitoring contracts with a commercial focus
• Fostering entrepreneurialism and innovation within the council
Manjeet Gill
Chief Executive West Lindsey District Council

Roundtable 3
Exploring the Legalities Behind Increasing the Commerciality of Local Government
• Practicalities of public bodies trading and charging

Roundtable 4
Establishing New Structures for Service Delivery
• Realising efficiencies, responding to market activity and tailoring services

Roundtable 5
Maximising Revenue Streams of Existing Local Government Assets
• Making commercial use of assets to maximise efficiency

14.15 Roundtable Leaders feed back to the conference
14.30 Tea and Coffee Break
14.45 ROUNDTABLES ARE REPEATED
15.15 Roundtable Leaders feed back to the conference

Closing Keynote Address

15.30 Where Next for Local Government?
• Rising to the challenges of the next decade
• Fundamentally re-shaping local government and the services they provide
• Encouraging the growth of active and sustainable revenue streams
Martin Reeves, Chief Executive, Coventry City Council and President, SOLACE

15.50 Questions and Discussion

16.00 Chair’s Closing Remarks and Close of Conference
**Booking Form**

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