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From the Chairman of the Association
Cllr James Jamieson

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Dear Jason,

Thank you for sharing with me the report to the Appointments and Disciplinary Committee on Accountability in Local Government. I will read this with great interest.

The LGA is currently convening discussions with the sector, professional associations and others to explore issues relating to performance of local government, assurance and accountability. We would be very keen to engage Croydon in these discussions, particularly in light of the council's experiences.

I would like to draw your attention in particular to two sessions planned as part of the LGA Annual Conference in July:

- Firstly a plenary session entitled 'Sector-led: improvement and assurance?' will explore some of the elements of the local government assurance framework and how well they are working for the sector. This is planned for Thursday 6 July (9.30 – 10.30am) and will be chaired by Cllr Abi Brown, chairman of the LGA's Improvement and Innovation Board. I do hope you will be able to attend this.
- We also will be holding a session just for Local Authority Chief Executives on the same topic. This is planned for Thursday 6 July (12.10 – 1.10pm) and will be chaired by Mark Lloyd, Chief Executive of the LGA. We hope that Katherine will be able to join Mark and colleagues for this interesting discussion.

Yours sincerely



Cllr James Jamieson
Chairman