

North West - Break Out Session

11 June 2021

Claire Hogan – a quick run through of:



Who we are and what we do



Overview of the North-West Local Government Landscape



About you – how does it feel now you are elected?



Getting to know your area



How to access LGA support

The LGA in the North West

Regional Political Peers



**Cllr Mike
Wilcox**
Conservative
(Lichfield DC/
Staffs CC)



**Cllr Sir
Stephen
Houghton**
Labour
(Barnsley)



Cllr Lisa Smart
Liberal
Democrats
(Stockport)



**Cllr Alan
Seldon**
Independent
(Herefordshire)

The LGA in the North West Officers



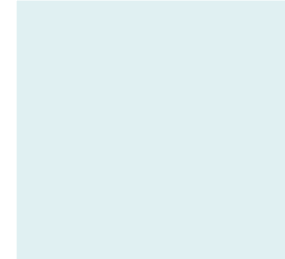
Claire Hogan
Principal
Adviser



Cindy Lowthian
Adviser



Dan Archer
Programme
Manager



Matthew Dodd
Programme
Manager

Specialist Officers include:

Financial and Sustainability Adviser, Helen Seechurn

Children's Improvement Adviser, Linda Clegg

Care and Health Improvement Adviser, Hazel Summers

Sir Stephen Houghton - Introductions

- Your name
- Your council name
- One reason for becoming a councillor

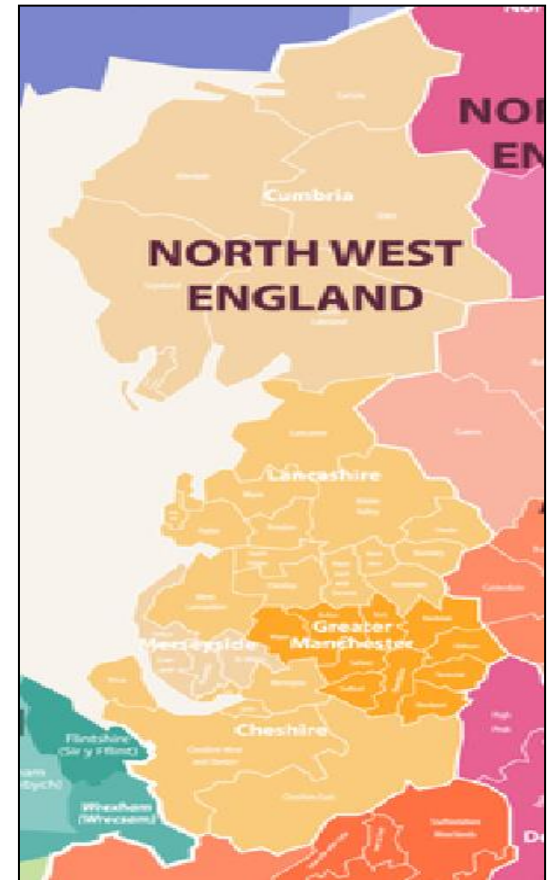


Sir Stephen Houghton – NW Local Government Landscape:

Classification:	Number:
Total	41
Counties	2
Districts	18
Unitary / Met	21



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MANCHESTER
COMBINED
AUTHORITY



How does it feel now you've been elected?

**Cllr Sir Stephen Houghton and
Cllr Mike Wilcox**

**BALLOT
BOX**

A close-up photograph of a person's hand inserting a white ballot paper into the slot of a black ballot box. The box has the words 'BALLOT BOX' printed in large, white, bold letters on its side. The background is dark, and the lighting is focused on the hand and the ballot.

Cindy Lowthian - getting to know your area and your council: <https://lginform.local.gov.uk>

- LGA's free data service
 - Open and transparent information source
 - Up-to-date published data about your local area and the performance of your council
 - Covers key service areas e.g., finance, children's, health and social care, housing, COVID-19
 - Whether you're interested in scrutiny, a portfolio area or simply need an overview, LG Inform can help you review and compare performance
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Extensive range of support

- [New Councillor Hub](#)
- Political leadership courses
- Mentoring support
- [Civility in Public Life](#)
- Online resources (e.g. case-studies and publications)
- Peer challenges/Remote Peer Support
- Events/Webinars
- LG Inform (e.g. ward/division profiles)
- programmes tailored to specific service areas such as children's, adults', health, care, financial, planning



Hold the date!

**Hitting the Ground Running
New Member Induction Event (NW)**

21 September 2021, 10.30am – 1.30pm



Claire Hogan - Questions