

APPENDIX B - Current Consultations – September 2016

Purpose of Document	Portfolio	Director	Response to be agreed by	Contact	Deadline for response
<p>Self-sufficient local government: 100% business rates retention</p> <p>This consultation seeks views on the government’s commitment to allow local government to retain 100% of the business rates that they raise locally. Specifically this consultation seeks to identify some of the issues that should be kept in mind when designing the reforms.</p> <p>The government has announced it will undertake a fair funding review of what the needs assessment formula should be following the implementation of 100% business rates retention. As a first step, alongside this consultation, the government has issued a call for evidence which sets out the key questions that will need to be addressed as part of this review.</p> <p>https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/self-sufficient-local-government-100-business-rates-retention</p>	Finance and Legal Services	Assistant Director (Finance and Corporate Services)	Officers in consultation with Portfolio Holder	Donna Parham / Ian Potter	26 th September 2016
<p>Reforming business rates appeals: draft regulations</p> <p>The government published a consultation paper on proposals for a reformed business rates appeals system in October 2015. This paper sought views on proposals for a new 3-stage approach to business rates appeals: ‘check, challenge, appeal’. Enabling primary legislation has been brought forward via the Enterprise Act 2016 and we are now consulting on the draft regulations.</p> <p>https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/reforming-business-rates-appeals-draft-regulations</p>	Finance and Legal Services	Assistant Director (Finance and Corporate Services)	Officers in consultation with Portfolio Holder	Donna Parham / Ian Potter	11 th October 2016

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<p>Mandatory Gender Pay Gap Reporting – Public Sector Employers</p> <p>This consultation paper sets out how we intend to introduce mandatory gender pay gap reporting for large public sector bodies in England and certain public authorities operating across Great Britain in relation to non-devolved functions. We are particularly interested in hearing from those public bodies who will be affected by the proposed regulations.</p> <p>https://consult.education.gov.uk/equality-framework-team/gender-pay-gap-reporting-public-sector</p>	Environment and Economic Development	Assistant Director (Legal and Corporate Services)	Officers in consultation with Portfolio Holder	Mike Holliday / Jo Morgan	30 th September 2016