

## APPG for London AGM - result and future actions

**Date and time:** Wednesday 18th July 2018, from 2 – 2.15pm

**Location:** Room O, Portcullis House

**Subject:** AGM, discussion of upcoming themes & review.



### 1. APPG AGM

The following group officers were elected.

Co-Chairs: Bob Neill MP & Steve Reed MP

Secretary: Catherine West

Treasurer: Paul Scully

Vice-Chairs: Emma Dent Coad MP & Marsha de Cordova MP

#### **Review of progress over the year - group and secretariat update.**

- Membership. Group now has 64 members, 42 MPs and 22 Peers.
- Twitter. Group also has a twitter account <https://twitter.com/APPGforLondon> - as of 18 July 2018, the account has built up to 851 followers (up 300 from last year).
- Website. APPG Group also has a website – see [www.londoncouncils.gov.uk/appg](http://www.londoncouncils.gov.uk/appg)

### 2. Meetings / events that have already been booked - please note the following dates / topics

5 September 4.30-5.30pm, Macmillan room – ‘Attracting the skills & talent London’s businesses need  
*A suggestion was made that this meeting should also include a focus on construction as well as the disabled and young people. If not built into this, it could be a focus of a separate meeting. We should also include the GLA report on the impact of Brexit.*

17 October 2-3pm, Macmillan Room – topic ‘Spending Review 2019’

31 October 4-6pm, Thames Pavilion – Annual reception, Speaker tbc

28 November 2-3pm, Macmillan Room – Joint meeting with APPG for Greater Manchester

#### **APPG group meetings - topics for the future**

Members discussed other topics that they would wish to pursue in addition to those listed above.

- Building regulation and focussing on fire safety
- Equalities in London, including race disparity in London
- Visit to the City of London Corporation to discuss the effect of Brexit on them and businesses in the financial sector – *this should be scheduled asap in the autumn*
- Violent Crime and what all the London MPs are doing on this. *This could start with a desk-top study / questionnaire in order to see the range of experience / approaches by London MPs on this. It was also suggested that this could be another APPG report and include the GLA.*
- Waste, air quality and environmental issues
- London as a world-wide city with invited speaker from the continent
- London’s art culture and heritage. *Emma Dent Coad offered as an speaker / example, the South Kensington Cultural Group in her constituency*
- Re-visiting the apprenticeship issue the group covered early in 2018. The minister (Anne Milton) said at the time that she wanted to see how the figures settled out. This could also be the subject of a debate
- Visits, if there is enough interest / support. The following ideas were posted a while ago.
  - Transport for London Control Centre at Palestra House
  - Battersea Power station.

Members are also welcome to send in ideas for future meeting topics to the APPG Secretariat.

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