

09.25 **Welcome**

09:30 – 10.30 **“Adding value as a lawyer in a position of leadership in local government”**

Speaker:

- Claire Ward, Partner, Anthony Collins

Chair:

- Rachel McKoy, LLG Past President, Director of Legal & Governance (Monitoring Officer), London Borough of Newham.

10.30 – 10.45 **Break**

10.45 – 11.15 **“How the Ombudsman supports good governance and leadership in local government”**

Speaker:

- Amerdeep Somal, Local Government & Social Care Ombudsman & Chair of the Commission

Chair:

- Helen Bradley, Deputy Vice President & National Lead Board Representative, Director of Legal & Democratic Services, Durham County Council.

11.15 – 11.30 **Break**

11.30 – 12.30 **“Learning from governance failures and positive steps to avoid them”**

Speakers:

- Philip McCourt, Legal Director, Bevan Brittan
- Catherine Staite, Professor, University of Birmingham

Chair:

- Paul Turner, LLG Vice President & Director of Legal and Assurance and Monitoring Officer, Essex County Council

12.30 – 13.15 **Lunch**



13.15 – 14.15 "Women in Leadership: Challenges and Resilience"

Speaker:

- Zara Mohammed, Consultant and Former Secretary-General of the Muslim Council of Britain

Chair:

- Aneeka Muneer, LLG President, Head of Litigation & Deputy Monitoring Officer, Calderdale Metropolitan Borough Council

14.15 – 14.30 Break

14.30 – 15.15 "Whistleblowing – the implications for local government and leadership"

Speaker:

- Simon Goacher, Partner, Weightmans

Chair:

- Nichola Vine, LLG Regional Director – Midlands, Head of Legal and Governance, Deputy Monitoring Officer, Warwickshire County Council

15.15 – 15.30 Break

15.30 – 16.15 "Resilient leadership – being adaptable, decisive, and supportive during times of crises and change"

Speaker:

- Jacqui McKinley, Chief Operating Officer, Liverpool City Council

Chair:

- Anita Bradley, LLG Regional Director – Southern, Director of Law and Governance and Monitoring Officer, Oxfordshire County Council

16.15 Conference Close