



# STA Leading Lights Local Authority Network

Solar, storage and smart energy management empower local people and organisations. Investment in these technologies is essential if we are to tackle climate change, improve air quality and facilitate the transition to a smart energy system.

As well as helping local authorities to meet these objectives, solar modernises the council estate, offers new sources of revenue generation and can help to boost jobs and the local economy.

**But with central government and EU support receding, how can local authorities make solar work today?**

The STA wants to work directly with local authorities, metro mayors and city leaders to spread best practice in solar and smart power happening across the UK. Our focus is action: on applications of solar that can be delivered *today*.

**“Leading Lights is such a timely and valuable resource for all those committed to a sustainable and prosperous way forward for our cities and regions.”**

Mark Watts, Executive Director, C40 Cities



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We invite local authorities and other local leaders to join our low cost **Leading Lights Local Authority Network** which offers these substantial benefits:

- Clear and up-to-date industry information on technology and project costs and financing (includes worked structures for subsidy-free schemes)
- Dissemination of new case studies and best practice in solar and storage for local authorities, building on our Leading Lights report
- STA's regular newsletter summarising key developments in policy and news
- Access to the industry and to major investors
- A bi-annual meeting or webinar for local leaders to share knowledge and best practice, including on the post FIT framework
- Discounted rates for STA events
- Data to support the case for progressive local new build policies
- Expert advice on safeguarding quality when structuring procurement processes, PPAs and tenders
- Representation on the BEIS Smart Systems Forum and ENA technical working groups in support of distributed power and local flexibility market creation
- Join for only £400 per year.

For more about our resources for local authorities and to register for membership, please see our website

[www.solar-trade.org.uk/about/Leading-Lights](http://www.solar-trade.org.uk/about/Leading-Lights)

