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local e-gov programme drives local authority e-service adoption with national EXPO

- Official local e-gov event to take place on 5-6th April 2006 at ExCel, London

18 January, 2006 – The local e-gov programme is organising a national EXPO on the 5th and 6th of April 2006 in London. The event, at the ExCel exhibition centre, will help local authorities in building and delivering improved public services by demonstrating the best practice developed as part of the local e-gov programme.

The local e-gov EXPO will explore how the local e-gov programme can help local authorities to transform local services, meeting the Gershon requirements and new challenges presented by the IT Strategy for Transformational Government. Over 1,000 strategic decision makers, department heads and relevant practitioners involved in delivering local e-government in English local authorities are expected to attend.

The event will focus on how the four themes of transformation, innovation, personalisation/take-up, and efficiency are key to the delivery of effective and efficient services. Other cross-cutting initiatives such as e-Procurement, shared services, mobile working and social inclusion will also be covered in-depth.

The comprehensive two-day programme will include a wide range of speakers from the ODPM, leading local authorities, the local e-gov programme (including National Projects, e-Innovations, Local Directgov and Government Connect) and other key stakeholders such as the Regional Centres of Excellence, eGU, OGC and IDeA. With key service providers also present, the event provides an invaluable learning and networking platform for local authority delegates involved with the future of local government.

Martin Scarfe, local e-gov National Projects programme director, said: “Results from July’s Implementing Electronic Government (IEG4.5) returns show that English

councils have now created a solid base from which to move towards using e-government to deliver more efficient services. The local e-gov EXPO aims to facilitate debate across English local authorities on how this can best be effected.”

Over 7,000 delegates from ninety eight percent of all local authorities have already engaged with the local e-gov programme through a comprehensive series of events, including experience sharing workshops, regional EXPOs, and the national EXPO in April 2005. The local e-gov EXPO will continue to provide strategic support for the successful implementation of e-government.

For more information, full programme details and registration please visit www.localegovexpo.org.uk.

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Notes to editors:

For more information on the local e-gov National Projects, visit www.localegovnp.org.uk. Alternatively, for further programme and registration details regarding the local e-gov EXPO, visit www.localegovexpo.org.uk.

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