Reports from Constituent Council Representatives on the Combined Authority

CAMBRIDGESHIRE & PETERBOROUGH COMBINED AUTHORITY PAUL BRISTOW MAYOR

OF CAMBRIDGESHIRE

& PETERBOROUGH

The following meetings have taken place in October 2025

Combined Authority Board, 22 October 2025

Councillor:

Decision Summary Link: Combined Authority Board (October)

Combined Authority Board: Decision Summary

Meeting: Wednesday, 22 October 2025 Published: Wednesday, 22 October 2025

Decision Review Deadline: Wednesday, 29 October 2025



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1. Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Councillors Shabina Qayyum and Anna Smith; with Councillors Mohammed Farooq and Cameron Holloway substituting respectively. Apologies were also received from Nitin Patel and Darryl Preston.

2. Declaration of Interests

There were no declaration of interests made.

3. Public Questions

Two public questions were received for this meeting. The questions are published <u>here</u>.

4. Approval of Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Local Growth Plan - KD2025/034

It was resolved to:

- A Approve the draft Local Growth Plan for Cambridgeshire and Peterborough subject to any revisions or amendments agreed by Members.
- B Delegate the completion and publication of the Local Growth Plan to the Executive Director for Economy and Growth in consultation with the Mayor.

Notes:

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Funding Committee, 3 November 2025

Councillor:

Decision Summary Link: Funding Committee (November)

Growth Committee, 5 November 2025

Councillor:

Decision Summary Link: Growth Committee (November)

Skills Committee, 10 November 2025

Councillor:

Decision Summary Link: Skills Committee (November)

Audit and Governance Committee, 11 November 2025

Councillor:

Decision Summary Link: Audit and Governance Committee (November)

Overview and Scrutiny Committee, 13 November 2025

Councillor:

Decision Summary Link: Overview and Scrutiny Committee (November)

Transport Committee, 17 November 2025

Councillor:

Decision Summary Link: Transport Committee (November)

Combined Authority Board, 22 October 2025

Councillor:

Decision Summary Link: Combined Authority Board (November)

Funding Committee: Decision Summary Meeting: Monday, 3 November 2025

Published: 3 November 2025



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3 Minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on 1 September 2025 were approved.

4 Single Assurance Framework Business Case Approvals: Chief Executive Decisions

RESOLVED:

A. To note the Chief Executive business case decisions for projects less than £1m under the Single Assurance Framework.

5 Single Assurance Framework Business Case Approvals: Funding Committee Decisions

RESOLVED:

- A. To approve the A16 Norwood Project (KD2025/042) Change Request of £727,000 and timing change and to delegate approval to amend the grant funding agreement to the Executive Director in consultation with the Monitoring Officer and Chief Finance Office.
- B. To approve the Capital Consolidated Fund (Active Travel) (KD2025/058) Full Business Case of £3,795,125 and to delegate approval to commence the grant funding agreement to the Executive Director in consultation with the Monitoring Officer and Chief Finance Officer.

6 Single Assurance Framework: Reporting of Most Complex Programmes and Projects

RESOLVED:

A. To note the performance report on the Most Complex Projects and Programmes.

7 Work Programme

RESOLVED:

A To note the Funding Committee's Work Programme.

8 Exclusion of the Press and Public

RESOLVED:

It was resolved that the Committee stay in public session and that Members refrain from mentioning the specific detail in the exempt appendices.

9 Combined Authority Subsidiary Companies and Equity Interests

RESOLVED

A. To note the subsidiary company information and current equity holdings of the Combined Authority.

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Growth Committee: Decision Summary Meeting: Wednesday, 5 November 2025

Published: 6 November 2025



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3 Minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes of the meeting on 10 September 2025 were approved as an accurate record.

The action log was noted by the Committee.

5 Combined Authority Forward Plan

RESOLVED:

A. To note the Combined Authority Forward Plan

6 Director's Highlight Report

RESOLVED:

A. To note the Director's Highlight Report.

7 Update on Development Work for a Spatial Development Strategy

RESOLVED:

- A. To note the progress through Parliament of the Planning & Infrastructure Bill and its implications for the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority
- B. To note progress in development work being undertaken by the Combined Authority in responding to the Planning & Infrastructure Bill.
- C. To recommend that the Combined Authority Board approves the allocation of £585k in the MTFP budget for spatial planning to progress the Spatial Development Strategy.

8 Local Nature Recovery Strategy

RESOLVED:

- A. To recommend to that the Combined Authority Board the approval of approve the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Local Nature Recovery Strategy and support the proposals for the implementation of the Delivery Plan to deliver the Strategy, once adopted.
- B.—To note the proposals for supporting the implementation and delivery of the Local Nature Recovery Strategy, once adopted

^{*}statements in **bold** type indicate changes to resolutions made at the meeting

9 Developing The Resilience Plan

RESOLVED:

- A. To note the preparations for developing a Resilience Plan
- B. Subject to the Combined Authority approving the allocation of £220,000 in the MTFP, the Combined Authority Board is recommended to approve the progress of the Resilience Plan.

10 Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Local Growth Plan (LGP)

RESOLVED:

A. To review and note the details of the Local Growth Plan.

11 Budget and Performance Report

RESOLVED:

A. To note the financial position of the Growth Committee for the financial year 25/26 to the end of the second quarter, September 2025

12 Work Programme

RESOLVED:

A. To note the Committee's Work Programme.

Notes:

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Skills Committee: Decision Summary Meeting: Monday, 10 November 2025

Published: 11 November 2025



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2 Minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes of the meeting on 8th September 2025 were approved as an accurate record

The Action Log was noted by the Committee

3 Declaration of Interests

Councillor M Goldsack declared an interest in Minute No. 9 as the Ward Member for Soham North and as a trustee for the Beeches Community Centre in Isleham.

Katy Davies declared an interest in Minute No. 9 as a Director of the Citizens Hub.

4 Public Questions

One public Question was received. The question and response is published here.

5 Combined Authority Forward Plan

RESOLVED:

A. To note the CPCA's Forward Plan for November 2025.

6 Director's Highlight Report

RESOLVED:

A. To note the report

7 Local Get Britain Working Plan "Get Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Working Plan"

RESOLVED: (Unanimous)

- A. To receive an update on feedback and amends to the first edition of the Get Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Working Plan.
- B. Subject to feedback/amendments, to endorse and recommend that the Combined Authority Board approve the latest draft of the Local Get Britain Working Plan and final Labour Market Analysis

8 Proposal for Review of Adult Skills Funding

RESOLVED: (Unanimous)

- A. To endorse and recommend to the Combined Authority Board the proposal for reviewing adult skills funding, as set out in Section 2 of the report
- B. To recommend that the Combined Authority Board delegate authority to the Assistant Director of Skills & Employment to appoint an independent skills specialist to review the report outcomes and propose recommendations.
- C. To note that the first draft of the review will be provided on 19th January 2026 and a final report on 9th March 2026.

9 FE Cold Spots

RESOLVED:

- A. To note progress with the Further Education (FE) Cold Spots Skills Capital Programme
- B. For the Skills Committee to receive a further progress report in January 2026

10 Update on the Wider CPCA Outcomes Framework

RESOLVED:

- A. To note the progress of implementation of the Wider Outcomes Framework and current findings
- B. To note the next steps for the Authority to use the Wider Outcomes Framework across all non-regulated learning activity.

11 ESOL Local Planning Partnership - Information Report

RESOLVED:

A. To note the update on English for Speakers for Other Languages Local Planning Partnership for the 2024/25 academic year, and to note progress made with the delivery and partnership development.

12 Budget and Performance Report

RESOLVED:

A. To note the financial position of the Skills Division for the financial year 2025/26 to September 2025.

13 Work Programme

RESOLVED:

A. To note the Committee's Work Programme.

15 Youth Guarantee Trailblazer - Year 2 Proposal

RESOLVED: (Unanimous)

- A. To note a proposal has been submitted to the Authority by the Department for Education and Work and Pensions to secure further funding for year two of the Youth Guarantee Trailblazer.
- B. To note a business case has been submitted into the Authority's Single Assurance Framework process to enable Youth Guarantee Trailblazer activities to be extended by a further 12 months (April 26 March 27), subject to DFE/DWP approvals.
- C. To note the approach being taken to develop local delivery and policy in response to high levels of economic inactivity and high volumes of young people who are NEET
- D. To endorse the approach being taken by the Authority. This endorsement will be shared with the Funding Committee and subsequently the Board.

16 Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday 19th January 2026. The meeting venue is CPCA Meeting Room, Pathfinder House, Huntingdon.

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Audit and Governance Committee: Decision Summary

Meeting: Tuesday, 11 November 2025

Published: 12 November 2025



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2 Declaration of Interests

Councillor R Stobart declared an interest in Minute No. 9 as a Member of a parochial Church Council in receipt of a zero Carbon Grant from the Combined Authority.

3 Chair's Announcements

The Chair announced that a minutes silence would be observed at 11:00am to honour those who have served in past and present conflicts. The meeting would be paused briefly to allow all to participate.

4 Minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes of the meeting on 18th September 2025 were approved as a correct record.

The Action Log was noted by the Committee.

5 CPCA Update

The Executive Director for Resources provided an update on recent CPCA activities.

6 External Audit: Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority Audit Results Report

The Committee noted the contents of the Audit Results Report.

7 Audited Statement of Accounts and Annual Governance Statement 2024/25

RESOLVED: (Unanimous)

- A. To review and agree the Annual Governance Statement for 2024/25
- B. To approve the audited Statement of Accounts 2024/25, including the adjustment to Group Long Term Assets which is still to be finalised
- C. To authorise the Chair of the Audit and Governance Committee to sign off any changes required following the updated valuation of the subsidiary's property, as set out in Section 5 of the report, as well as any other immaterial changes required to the Statement of Accounts and Annual Governance Statement for 2024/25 prior to publication.

8 Internal Audit - Progress Report 25/26

The Committee noted the Internal Auditor's Progress Report.

9 2025/26 Treasury Management Mid Year Review

The Committee reviewed and noted the in-year performance against the adopted prudential and treasury indicators.

10 Updates to Constitution

RESOLVED: (Unanimous)

- A. To consider the proposed amendments to the Constitution contained within the report.
- B. To recommend that Combined Authority Board make changes to the Constitution as proposed.
- C. To retain the Constitution Working Group to support the next phase of the ongoing review of the Constitution.

11 Code of Corporate Governance

RESOLVED: (Unanimous)

- A. To comment on and note the updated Corporate Governance Code and Framework (Appendix A)
- B. To Recommend to the Combined Authority Board that the updated Corporate Governance Code and Framework be approved, subject to any comments made by the Audit and Governance Committee.

12 Update on Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority Subsidiary Companies

The Committee noted the update on Subsidiary Companies of the Combined Authority and the equity investments held by the Combined Authority.

13 Single Assurance Framework Review

RESOLVED: (Unanimous)

- A. To consider and comment on the updated Single Assurance Framework document at Appendix B
- B. To recommend to the Combined Authority Board that the updated Single Assurance Framework (SAF) be approved.

14 Risk Management Framework Review

RESOLVED: (Unanimous)

- A. To recommend to the CPCA Board the approval of the Risk Management Framework and Procedure.
- B. To note the updated Risk Appetite Statement within the Framework
- C. To note the Chief Executive Risk Policy Statement within the Framework.

15 Corporate Risk Register and Deep Dive

RESOLVED: (Unanimous)

- A. To endorse the Corporate Risk Register, Dashboard and Heatmap for October 2025 (Appendices A-C) and the deep dive scheduled for the remainder of the year.
- B. To undertake a Deep Dive into the Future Funding risk.

16 Performance Management Framework Refresh

RESOLVED: (Unanimous)

- A. To consider and comment on the refreshed Performance Management Framework.
- B. To recommend to the Combined Authority Board that the refreshed Performance Management Framework (PMF) be approved.

17 Standing Items

The Committee received an update on Fraud Prevention.

There were no Health and Safety updates provided to the Committee.

18 Work Programme

The Committee reviewed and noted the Work Programme.

20 Date of Next Meeting

The Committee noted that their next meeting is scheduled on Tuesday 13 January 2026 at 11am in the CPCA Meeting Room, Pathfinder House, Huntingdon.

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Overview and Scrutiny Committee: Decision Summary

Meeting: Thursday, 13 November 2025

Published: 18 November 2025 Decision Review Deadline:



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1 Apologies for Absence

Apologises from Cllr Meschini substituted by Cllr Bulat, apologises from Cllr Alison Whelan substituted by Cllr Wyatt, apologises from Cllr Christine Whelan substituted by Cllr Inskip, apologises from Cllr Wells substituted by Cllr Harvey.

2 Declaration of Interests

There were no declaration of interests made.

3 Minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes of the meeting on the 9th September were approved as an accurate record.

The Action Log was noted by the Committee.

4 Public Questions

No public questions were received.

5 Review of Mayoral Decision Notice 007-2025 Appointment of Commissioners

The Committee received statements from CA Board members Cllr Nethsingha and Cllr Smith and also from Mayor Bristow. Following debate the Committee RESOLVED: The Committee note the statements provided and acknowledge the concerns raised by the Board members and decided that the Mayoral Decision Notice was arrived at correctly and in accordance with the current procedure however, the Committee recommends to the Mayor for any future appointments of Commissioners, outside of the requirements of a subsequent legislation, that going forward that he ensures that the terms of reference and job descriptions are shared with CA Board members prior to taking a decision relating to commissioners.

6 Chair of Skills Committee

The Committee received a verbal update from the Chair for Skills Committee.

7 Draft Interim Outcomes Framework

The Committee reviewed and noted the report.

8 Bus Network Real Time Information System Update

The Committee noted the update on the Real Time Passenger Information System.

The Committee agreed that Transport Rapporteur should monitor this going forward and report back to the Committee of any relevant updates.

9 Budget Working Group Report

The Committee received the report which outlined the O&S Budget Working Group's feedback from the budget sessions held in September and October.

10 Questions and Recommendations to the CA Board

The Committee did not make any recommendations for the CA Board.

11 Rapporteur Reports

The Committee received updates from the rapporteurs for the Thematic Committees.

12 Forward Plan

The Committee noted the Forward Plan

13 Work Programme

The Committee noted the Work Programme.

14 Date of Next Meeting

Informal O&S meeting: 11th December 2025 O&S Committee Meeting: 15th January 2026.

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Transport Committee: Decision Summary Meeting: Monday, 17 November 2025

Published: 20 November 2025



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2 Declaration of Interests

There were no declarations of interests.

3 Minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes of the meeting of 15 September 2025 were approved as an accurate record.

The Action Log was noted by the Committee.

5 Forward Plan

<u>RESOLVED</u>

A That the Combined Authority Forward Plan be noted.

6 Exclusion of the Press and Public

RESOLVED:

It was resolved that the press and public be excluded from the meeting on the grounds that the next report contained exempt information under Part 1 of Schedule 12A the Local Government Act 1972, paragraph 3 (information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information) as amended, and that it would not be in the public interest for this information to be disclosed.

7 Tiger Pass Scheme 2026/27

RESOLVED:

- A. To recommend the Combined Authority Board give delegated authority for the Executive Director of Place and Connectivity to concurrently:
 - Implement an application portal for the permanent scheme, as explained in the exempt report.
 - Conclude modifications to the current Tiger Pass scheme in consultation with local bus operators and agree a fixed pot model for reimbursing operators for Tiger Pass use from 1 April 2026, as set out in the exempt report.

Additional recommendations were presented and discussed but these were not supported.

8 Contracted Bus Services Review

RESOLVED

To recommend to the Combined Authority Board:

- A. To approve the draft bus service review framework and to agree that the Executive Director of Place and Connectivity will apply the framework to the existing contracted bus network to inform recommendations on future service changes. Further service recommendations to come forward to Transport Committee from January 2026
- B. To approve the recommendations related to specific bus services, which have contract expiry dates of 31 May 2026, (excluding the No.15 service) and to approve delegated authority for the Executive Director of Place and Connectivity to enter into contracts with successful bidders following a procurement process.

*text in **bold** denotes an amendment to the recommendation

The following recommendation was also presented and put to the vote but did not meet the voting criteria, which required approval by the two Highways Authorities, and therefore was not passed. The recommendation would be presented to the Board at their meeting but without a Committee recommendation.

C. To approve the recommendations related to the three highest cost per passenger bus services: • 15 Haslingfield to Royston (Wednesday only service) • 8A March to Milton Park and Ride • South Cambridgeshire Tiger on Demand and approve delegated authority for the Executive Director of Place and Connectivity, in consultation with the Director for Legal & Governance and Chief Finance Officer to implement the recommended changes Strategic Objectives

9 E-Scooter Trial Update

RESOLVED:

- A. To recommend that the Combined Authority Board approve the extension of the E-Scooter Trial in Cambridge to 31 May 2028.
- B. To recommend that the Combined Authority Board approve the extension of Voi's contract to October 2026, the maximum duration of the current Concessions Contract.
- C. To recommend to the Combined Authority Board to approve the re-procurement of the Concession Contract for the remainder of the new trial period, with the option for extension beyond this date subject to potential new legislation and government actions. The Combined Authority Board are also recommended to provide delegated authority to the Assistant Director for Transport to enter into a contract following the procurement.
- D. To note the proposed Key Performance Indicators for the Concessions Contract and provide feedback and/or comment on them.

10 Director's Highlight Report

RESOLVED

A. To note the contents of the report.

11 Greater Cambridge Transport Strategy

RESOLVED

- A. To note and provide feedback on the update regarding the Greater Cambridge Transport Strategy (GCTS) and planned next steps.
- B. To note and comment on the revised GCTS Vision and Objectives.
- C. To re-instate the Member Working Group and ensure that it meets on a regular and frequent basis throughout the duration of the project.

12 Local Transport Policies

RESOLVED

- A. To note the update on the Transport Strategy workstream at section 3 of this report.
- B. To note and comment on the Rail and Connectivity Strategy.
- C. To note the Transport Strategy Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) and endorse the proposed way forward using the free data and undertake an LTCP KPI report every 2 years as set out at section 3.7 of the report.

13 Community Transport Review

RESOLVED

- A. To note the interim findings of the commissioned review of Community Transport across the Cambridgeshire & Peterborough region, and the planned actions to finalise the review and publish its conclusions
- B. To note the continued work by officers to identify opportunities for integrating Community Transport services into wider public transport network planning.
- C. To note the ongoing evaluation of the region-wide Taxi Voucher Scheme, including assessment of its value for money and effectiveness, and the continuation of the existing scheme in South Cambridgeshire

14 Budget and Performance Report

RESOLVED

A. To note the financial position of the Transport Division for the Financial Year 25/26 to September 2025.

15 Work Programme

RESOLVED

A That the Transport Committee Work Programme be noted.

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Combined Authority Board: Decision Summary

Meeting: Wednesday, 26 November 2025 Published: Monday, 1 December 2025

Decision Review Deadline: Monday, 8 December 2025



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1. Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Robin Porter, with Dorothy Gregson substituting, and from Darryl Preston.

2. Minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes of the meetings held on 24 September 2025 and 22 October 2025 were approved as an accurate record and signed by the Mayor. The action log was noted.

3. Declaration of Interests

No interests were declared at this stage, however Councillor Bridget Smith declared a non-pecuniary interest during discussion of agenda item 9 (updates to the Constitution) and Councillor Chris Boden declared a non-pecuniary interest during discussion of agenda item 18a.

4. Announcements

The Mayor expressed appreciation to board members for their constructive engagement over the past few days in addressing challenging decisions, acknowledging the positive attitude and collaborative approach taken to resolve issues. He also noted that the meeting agenda included important items and, due to other commitments afterward, emphasised the need to proceed efficiently.

5. Public Questions

Four public questions were received. The questions are published <u>here</u>

6. Petitions

No petitions were received.

7. Forward Plan

It was resolved to:

A Approve the Forward Plan for November 2025

8. Combined Authority Membership Update

It was resolved to:

- A Agree for the co-opted status of the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Integrated Care board to be extended to the merging Central East ICB and note the appointment of the member and substitute member from the Central East ICB.
- B Note the confirmation from Peterborough City Council of their new Peterborough First member on the Combined Authority's Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

C Note the change in membership from Cambridgeshire County Council on the Combined Authority's Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

9. Updates to the Constitution

It was resolved to:

- A Approve the changes to the Constitution as proposed, **subject to the amendments as agreed at the meeting.**
- B Approve proposed alternative sections for the terms of reference for the Staffing Committee:

Membership	The Mayor (or the Deputy mayor acting in place of the Mayor)
	The constituent council representatives on the Combined Authority Board
	All members may nominate a substitute when they cannot attend.
Chair	The Committee will be chaired by the Mayor or the Deputy Mayor acting in place of the Mayor.

10. Chief Executive Highlights Report

It was resolved to:

A Note the content of this report

11. Pathway to Established Mayoral Strategic Authority Status

It was resolved to:

- A Endorse the proposal to seek designation as an Established Mayoral Strategic Authority.
- B Note that on behalf of the region, the earliest the Mayor can apply to Government for the Combined Authority to be designated as an Established Mayoral Strategic Authority is after 9 March 2026.
- C Agree that the Mayor, in consultation with the Board, apply to Government at the earliest opportunity after 9 March 2026 for the Combined Authority to be designated as an Established Mayoral Strategic Authority.

12. Single Assurance Framework Review – KD2025/045

It was resolved to:

A Approve the updated Single Assurance Framework (Appendix A), noting that it will then be submitted to Government in accordance with the sign off process for Local Assurance Frameworks

13. Q2 2025/26 Budget Monitoring Report - KD2025/019

It was resolved to:

- A Note the financial performance of the Combined Authority based on the actual expenditure as at 30 September 2025.
- B Approve the reprioritisation and virement of £3m capital from the Creative Industries project to the Local Growth Plan Delivery Fund as set out in section 7.

14. Draft 2026-27 Business Plan and budget and Medium-Term Financial Plan 2026-2030 - KD2025/20

It was resolved to:

- A Note progress in developing the draft 2026-27 Annual Business Plan following the approval of the Corporate Plan, 2025-2029.
- B Approve the draft budget for 2026-27 and the Medium-Term Financial Plan 2026-27 to 2029-30 as set out in this report and accompanying appendices for consultation **purposes only**, noting that the budget currently assumes that the Mayoral Precept is maintained at its current Band D equivalent level of £36.
- C Approve the timetable for consultation

15. Recommendations from Funding Committee

It was resolved to:

- A note the Funding Committee decisions to:
 - approve the A16 Norwood Project (KD2025/042) Change Request of £727,000 and timing change and to delegate approval to amend the grant funding agreement to the Executive Director in consultation with the Monitoring Officer and Chief Finance Officer.
 - approve the Capital Consolidated Fund (Active Travel) (KD2025/058) Full Business Case of £3,795,125 and to delegate approval to commence the grant funding agreement to the Executive Director in consultation with the Monitoring Officer and Chief Finance Officer.
- B note the Chief Executive approvals for projects less than £1m under the Single Assurance Framework

16a Local Get Britain Working Plan KD2025/032

It was resolved to:

A Approve the latest draft Local Get Britain Working Plan and final Labour Market Analysis

16b Proposal for Review of Adult Skills Provision - KD2025/70

It was resolved to:

- A Approve the proposal for reviewing adult skills funding, as set out in section 2 of the report
- B Delegate authority to the Assistant Director of Skills and Employment to appoint an independent skills specialist to review the report outcomes and propose recommendations
- C Note that a first draft of the review will be provided in January 2026 and a final report in March 2026

17a Spatial Development Strategy – KD2025/049

It was resolved to:

A Approve the allocation of £585k in the MTFP budget for spatial planning to progress the Spatial Development Strategy

17b Local Nature Recovery Strategy - KD2025/063

It was resolved to:

- A Approve the **final** Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Local Nature Recovery Strategy and
- B approve notifying the Supporting Authorities and all Neighbouring Responsible Authorities of the intended date to publish the final LNRS, and provide Supporting Authorities 28 days to respond to that intention to publish the LNRS; and
- C approve the publication of the LNRS as soon as is practical to do so (likely late December 2025 or early January 2026), but provided that no Supporting Authority objects to the CPCA doing so during the 28 day period; and
- D support the proposals for the implementation of the Delivery Plan to deliver the Strategy once adopted proposal to prepare a LNRS Delivery Plan, for approval by the Growth Committee, with a report by no later than 6 months after the LNRS is published.

18a Contracted Bus Services Review - KD2025/045

It was resolved to:

- A To approve the draft bus service review framework and to agree that the Executive Director of Place and Connectivity will apply the framework to the existing contracted bus network to inform recommendations on future service changes. Further service recommendations to come forward to Transport Committee from January 2026
- B To approve the recommendations related to specific bus services, which have contract expiry dates of 31 May 2026, **(excluding the No.15 service)** and to approve delegated authority for the Executive Director of Place and Connectivity to enter into contracts with successful bidders following a procurement process.
- C To approve the recommendations related to the three highest cost per passenger bus services:
 - 15 Haslingfield to Royston (Wednesday only service)
 - 8A March to Milton Park and Ride
 - South Cambridgeshire Tiger on Demand

and approve delegated authority for the Executive Director of Place and Connectivity, in consultation with the Director for Legal & Governance and Chief Finance Officer to implement the recommended changes

18b E-Scooter Trial Update and Next Step - KD2025/054

It was resolved to:

- A Approve the extension of the E-Scooter Trial in Cambridge to 31 May 2028
- B Approve the extension of Voi's contract to October 2026, the maximum duration of the current Concessions Contract.
- C Approve the re-procurement of the Concession Contract for the remainder of the new trial period, with the option for extension beyond this date subject to potential new legislation and government actions. The Combined Authority Board are also recommended to provide delegated authority to the Assistant Director for Transport to enter into a contract following the procurement.

D Note the proposed Key Performance Indicators for the Concessions Contract and provide feedback and/or comment on them.

Notes:

Statements in **bold type** indicate additional and/or amended resolutions made at the meeting.

Five Members of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee may call-in a key decision of the Mayor, the Combined Authority Board or an Officer for scrutiny by notifying the Monitoring Officer, except for any key decision on a matter dealt with under the special urgency provisions set out in the Constitution which may be implemented immediately.