



**CAMBRIDGESHIRE
& PETERBOROUGH**
COMBINED AUTHORITY

Appendix 3

CAMBRIDGESHIRE & PETERBOROUGH COMBINED AUTHORITY- **Decision Summary**

Meeting: 26th September 2018

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Item	Topic	Decision
	Part 1 – Governance Items	
1.1	Announcements, Apologies and Declarations of Interest	The Mayor introduced and welcomed Aamir Khalid who had been elected Chair of the Business Board at its meeting on 24 September 2018. Apologies were received from Councillor K Reynolds. Councillor Count declared a conflict of interest in relation to Agenda Item No.2.5, and explained that he would be acting in his capacity as Leader of Cambridgeshire County Council rather than Combined Authority Portfolio Holder for Investment and Finance in relation to this item.
1.2	Minutes – 25th July 2018	It was resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting of 25th July 2018 as a

		correct record.
1.3	Petitions	None received.
1.4	Public Questions	Two questions were received. A summary of the questions and responses is published at the following Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority meeting 26/09/2018
1.5	Forward Plan	The Board approved the draft Forward Plan of Executive Decisions, which listed decisions up to 29 May 2019, dated to be published on 1 October 2018.
1.6	Membership of Combined Authority and Committees - Amendments	<p>The Board was advised of amendments to its substitute membership and amendments to the membership of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee. It was resolved to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) note the appointment by Cambridge City Council of Councillor Anna Smith as its substitute member on the Combined Authority Board for the remainder of the municipal year 2018/2019. b) note the appointment by Cambridge City Council of Councillor Dave Baigent as one of its substitute members on the Overview and Scrutiny Committee for the remainder of the municipal year 2018/2019. c) note the appointment by Peterborough City Council of Councillor June Stokes as one of its members on the Overview and Scrutiny Committee for the remainder of the municipal year 2018/19.
1.7	Review of Constitution – Committee Structure and Other Related Matters	<p>The Board was reminded that it agreed at a previous meeting to establish three committees. It therefore considered proposed amendments to the constitution to take account of this decision. It was resolved:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) to approve the amendments to the constitution as set out in Appendix 1 of the report and summarised below.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> b) to note and agree the Mayor's nominations to portfolios and the membership of the committees including the Chairs of committees as set out in Appendix 2. c) that the Overview & Scrutiny Committee be advised of the amendments to the constitution to include the Overview & Scrutiny Committee's rights to call in these executive committee decisions. d) that a 6 month review of the committee process be undertaken and brought back to the Combined Authority Board in March 2019.
1.8	Audit and Governance Committee – Annual Report and Constitution Review	<p>The Board was asked to note the Audit and Governance Committee Annual Report. It was resolved to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) note the Audit and Governance Committee Annual Report and provide any feedback to the Committee. b) request that the Chief Finance Officer for the Business Board update the Audit and Governance Committee's Terms of Reference to reflect their role in regard to the Business Board for approval by a future meeting of the Board upon the recommendations of the committee.
1.9	Overview & Scrutiny Committee - Recommendations	<p>Councillor Nethsingha presented a report proposing a public question scheme for the Committee, and requesting a budget be allocated for the Overview and Scrutiny Committee to help support future work. It was resolved to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) agree that the Overview and Scrutiny Committee adopt a public question scheme as outlined in Appendix 2 of the report and that the constitution be amended accordingly. b) agree that an annual budget of £20k be available in the Combined Authority budget to support the work of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee; funds

		to be allocated subject to specific work programmes.
1.10	Government review of LEPs - Strengthened Local Enterprise Partnerships	<p>The Government had launched a review of LEPs across the UK on 24 July 2018 with a requirement to respond to the question of geography by 28 September 2018, and separately on governance and performance matters by 31 October 2018. The Board was asked to agree the draft response from the Business Board on the question of geography. It was resolved to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) act as the Accountable Body agree the draft response to Government from the Business Board as set out in Appendix A. b) agree the position on a coterminous boundary between the Local Enterprise Partnership area and Combined Authority area for submission to the Government. c) agree that any final insubstantial amendments that are required prior to submission of the response to Government.
1.11	Appointment of Interim Chief Finance Officer (s73)	<p>The Board considered a report on the process which had led to the appointment of Karl Fenlon as Interim Chief of Finance and was asked to appoint Mr Fenlon as interim s73 Chief Finance Officer. It was resolved to:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">appoint Karl Fenlon as interim s73 Chief Finance Officer to the Combined Authority</p>
1.12	Interim Arrangements for Chief Executive	<p>The Board was asked to consider interim management arrangements following the resignation of Martin Whiteley, Chief Executive, Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority (CPCA). It was resolved to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) appoint Kim Sawyer, Legal Counsel and Monitoring Officer, CPCA and John Hill, Chief Executive, East Cambridgeshire District Council as interim Chief Executives of the CPCA until 31st March 2019 (or until the appointment of a permanent Chief Executive, whichever is the sooner).

		(ii) appoint Patrick Arran as the CPCA interim Monitoring Officer until 31 st March 2019 (or until the appointment of a permanent Chief Executive, whichever is the sooner).
	Part 2 – Combined Authority Matters	
2.1	Housing Strategy	<p>The Board considered a report which set out an innovative and bold strategy to address the shortage in housing in all tenures in the area as quickly as possible. It was resolved to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) agree the approach to delivering the Housing Strategy set out in the 31Ten report in Appendix 1 of the report. b) agree the concept of creating a revolving fund of monies from within the £100m programme for housing investment, to run within and beyond the 5 year programme.
2.2	Affordable Housing Programme- Cambridge City Council £70m 2018/2019 Budget	<p>The Board considered a report detailing the baseline and current forecast programme expenditure and a specific request for the budget approval for the financial year 2018/19 to enable payments to be made to Cambridge City Council in accordance with claims and monitoring processes. It was resolved to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) note the expenditure profile for 2018/19 financial year in respect of the Cambridge City Council £70 million, as part of the Authority's £170 million Affordable Housing Programme. b) approve the carry forward of 2017/18 approved budget of £387,041 to 2018/19. c) approve 2018/19 budget provision of £14,669,959, giving a 2018/19 total budget of £15,057,000 to enable the programme to proceed.

2.3	Public Service Reform: Health and Social Care Proposal	<p>The commitment by partners to progress health and care transformation was enshrined within the Devolution Deal. There was a need to take this commitment forward given that the area's health economy was one of the most challenged in the country. It was resolved to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) note the devolution deal commitment to, and the economic and administrative case for, taking action to implement new models of public service delivery. b) agree the proposal to design an innovative Cambridgeshire and Peterborough health and social care proposition based on further devolution which makes the case to Government for the further transfer of resources, decision-making and accountability relating to health and social care. c) agree the establishment of an independent Public Service Reform and Innovation Commission which will support, inform and challenge the development of the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough health and social care proposition. d) agree the commitment of up to £450,000 in 2018/19 from within the existing approved allocation for Public Sector Reform in the Medium Term Financial Plan (MTFP).
2.4	Soham Rail Station- Budget Update	<p>The Combined Authority had assumed responsibility for the Soham Rail station from the County Council in June, 2018. The Authority had already allocated £1.5m to the delivery of the current phase, and an additional £1.7m was required to continue with the completion of GRIP 3. It was resolved to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) approve a budget of £1.7m for GRIP Stage 3 for the acceleration and delivery of the Soham Rail Station.

		<p>b) agree the DSA novation in principle and delegate to the Chief Finance Officer and Monitoring officer, in consultation with the Chair of the Transport Committee, to agree the terms of the novation.</p> <p>c) note that verbal commitments have taken place to progress this project at an accelerated pace and identify opportunities for early delivery.</p> <p>d) agree that an update will be provided to the CPCA Board, or other nominated meeting, prior to the end of GRIP Stage 3 to outline progress to date and identify the CPCA's requirements for the delivery of GRIP Stages 4 – 8.</p> <p>e) note how this work fits within the opportunities that have been identified to accelerate the transport projects; as reviewed in the July board.</p>
2.5	Business Rate Pilot	<p>The Board received a report detailing the one year business rate retention pilot bid to the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government. It was proposed that all councils would be compensated for their expected business rates for the year. It was resolved to:</p> <p>a) ratify the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough 2019-20 Business Rates pilot bid submitted to MHCLG on the 25th September 2018.</p>
	Part 3- Business Board matters	
3.1	Business Board Recommendations of the last meeting	<p>The Board noted the recommendations of the meeting of the Business Board held on 23 July and received an oral update of the meeting held on 24 September 2018.</p>
3.2	Membership of Business Board	<p>The Board considered a report detailing the membership of the Business Board, following a recruitment campaign and interview process for private sector members. It was resolved to note:</p>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) note the appointments of private sector members of the Business Board as set out in paragraph 2.16 of the report. b) note the appointment of Aamir Khalid as Chair and Andy Neely as Vice Chair of the Business Board. c) approve the Business Board's nomination of Aamir Khalid as a member of the Combined Authority Board to represent the Business Board and Andy Neely as his substitute member.
3.3	Cambridgeshire & Peterborough Independent Economic Review	<p>The Board was informed that the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Independent Economic Review (CPIER) had been published and that it was going to be used as evidence for the Local Industrial Strategy. It was resolved to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) welcome the publication of the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Independent Economic Review (CPIER) as a major milestone in the development of our Local Industrial Strategy and all 14 recommendations contained within the CPIER report. In doing so it agreed that these recommendations would form the basis of work undertaken by the Combined Authority in the development of a tailored Local Industrial Strategy which would incorporate the development of Growth, Business Investment, Skills Development, Housing and Spatial Planning Strategies. b) provide any initial opinions on the findings of the CPIER, in advance of the upcoming engagement sessions.
3.4	Growth Prospectus 2018/19-	<p>The Business Board had approved the Growth Prospectus on 24 September 2018. The provisional date for the launch would be 8 October 2018. It was resolved to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) agree the draft Growth Prospectus 2018/19 and the programmes contained therein, subject to final version to be signed off by Chief Executive (Acting).

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> b) agree provisional allocations for each programme within the Prospectus, subject to review and cashflow within Growth Deal and Growing Places Fund budgets. c) agree processes for due diligence and appraisal, subject to review; and d) note that applications and business cases will be brought to the Business Board for consideration and recommendation to the Combined Authority, from November 2018 onwards.
	Part 4- Motion submitted under Committee Procedure Rule 14	
4.1	<p>Motion from Councillor Bridget Smith:</p> <p>That the Combined Authority urgently commissions an organisation with suitable expertise to conduct an independent, full organisational review to be reported to the Combined Authority Board and senior officers, and to then be published in full. The review to include: delivery objectives for 2018/2019; governance, top to bottom staffing, operations and project delivery.</p>	The Board discussed the motion proposed by Councillor Smith and seconded by Councillor Herbert. On being put to the vote, the motion was lost.

	Part 5- Date of next meeting	
5.1	Date: Wednesday, 31 October 2018 Council Chamber, Peterborough City Council Town Hall; Bridge Street, Peterborough PE1 1HG	It was resolved to note the date of the next meeting.