



**CAMBRIDGESHIRE
& PETERBOROUGH**
COMBINED AUTHORITY

Agenda Item No: 7.2

OneCAM Ltd Audit Report

To: Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority Board

Meeting Date: 27 July 2022

Public report: Yes

Lead Member: Mayor Dr Nik Johnson

From: Jodie Townsend, Interim Head of Governance

Key decision: No

Forward Plan ref: n/a

Recommendations: The Combined Authority Board is recommended to:

- a) Note the One CAM Audit Report
- b) Note the key findings and actions in the report

Voting arrangements: To note only, no vote required.

1. Purpose

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to provide the Board with the final internal audit report, conducted by RSM (UK) on the governance and decision-making following the cessation of the One CAM Project.
- 1.2 The report was commissioned by the Audit & Governance Committee. This was following a letter written by two members of the Board inviting Committee to consider an audit of the processes. The Audit & Governance Committee initially received the final audit report at its meeting on 11 March 2022. The Audit & Governance Committee gave their support to the Committee Chair to forward the report to the Combined Authority Board for their information and to draw their attention to the learning opportunities for the future.
- 1.3 There were some conversations between the internal auditors, the Board members which requested the audit take place, the Chair of the Audit & Governance Committee and officers which has led to the delay in presenting this report to the Board following the Audit & Governance Committee on 11 March 2022.

2. Background

- 2.1 Two members of the Combined Authority Board wrote to the Monitoring Officer seeking to invite the Audit & Governance Committee to conduct an audit of the decisions leading to the suspension of activity on the Cambridgeshire Autonomous Metro (One CAM) project. The two members of the Board sought clarity on the governance surrounding the cessation of the work on One CAM; who took the decision; and how the decision was taken; and what part(s) of the Combined Authority Constitution were being relied upon to ensure proper governance on the actions taken.
- 2.2 Appendix 1 to this report is the final internal audit report following the investigation and provides the background to the work; conclusion and key findings which provide two low priority and one medium priority management actions.
- 2.3 Following the internal audit no evidence was found that the decision to terminate the task orders with the project contractors was not in line with governance arrangements as laid out in the Combined Authority Constitution, and the Shareholder Agreement of the OneCAM Limited company.

Significant Implications

3. Financial Implications

- 3.1 There are no financial implications from this report.

4. Legal Implications

- 4.1 There are no legal implications from this report.

5. Public Health Implications

5.1 There are no public health implications from the report.

6. Environmental and Climate Change Implications

6.1 There are no environmental or climate change implications from this report.

7. Other Significant Implications

7.1 There are no other significant implications from this report.

8. Appendices

8.1 Appendix 1 – One CAM Project Governance and Decision-Making Internal Audit Report, undertaken by RSM (UK) Limited

9. Background Papers

9.1 None