

Agenda Item No: 1.5

# Membership of the Combined Authority 2022/23: Update

To: Combined Authority Board

Meeting Date: 27 July 2022

Public report: Yes

Lead Member: Mayor Dr Nik Johnson

From: Edwina Adefehinti, Deputy Monitoring Officer

Key Decision: No

Forward Plan ref: n/a

Recommendations: The Combined Authority Board is recommended to:

- a) Note the appointment by South Cambridgeshire District Council of Councillor John Williams as its substitute member on the Combined Authority Board for the remainder of the municipal year 2022/2023, replacing Councillor Brian Milnes.
- b) Appoint Councillor Edna Murphy as a co-opted member of the Combined Authority Board for 2022/23 representing the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Fire Authority and Councillor Mohammed Jamil as substitute member.
- c) Appoint Alex Plant as the Business Board member of the Combined Authority Board for 2022/23, and Professor Andy Neely as the substitute member.
- d) Approve the appointment of Councillor Bridget Smith of South Cambridgeshire District Council as the nominated substitute member for the Mayor and Lead Member for Economic Growth for the Business Board
- e) Note and agree the Mayor's nomination to Lead Member responsibilities for Lead Member for Governance as set out in paragraph 2.9 of this report

Voting arrangements:

- a) For noting only. Appointment is made by the constituent council
- b) Simple majority of members present and voting
- c) Simple majority of members present and voting
- d) Simple majority of members present and voting
- e) Simple majority of members present and voting

To be carried, the vote must include the vote of the Mayor, or the Deputy Mayor when acting in place of the Mayor.

### 1. Purpose

- 1.1 The report advises the Board of amendments to the substitute membership of the Combined Authority Board notified by South Cambridgeshire District Council, the appointment of the co-opted member for the Fire Authority and the Business Board representative on the CA Board.
- 1.2 The report requests that the Board approves Councillor Bridget Smith as the substitute member for the Mayor and the Lead Member for Economic Growth for the Business Board

### 2. Background

- 2.1 In accordance with the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority Order 2017, each constituent council must appoint one of its elected members and a substitute member to the Combined Authority Board. The Combined Authority has been advised that South Cambridgeshire District Council has appointed Councillor John Williams as its substitute member for the remainder of the 2022/2023 municipal year.
- 2.2 The revised membership is set out in the table below:

Nominating body	Member	Substitute Member
Cambridge City Council	Cllr Lewis Herbert	Cllr Mike Davey
Cambridgeshire County Council	Cllr Lucy Nethsingha	Cllr Elisa Meschini
East Cambridgeshire District Council	Cllr Anna Bailey	Cllr Joshua Schumann
Fenland District Council	Cllr Chris Boden	Cllr Jan French
Huntingdonshire District Council	Cllr Sarah Conboy	Cllr Tom Sanderson
Peterborough City Council	Cllr Wayne Fitzgerald	Cllr Steve Allen
South Cambridgeshire District Council	Cllr Bridget Smith	Cllr Brian Milnes
		Cllr John Williams

2.3 The status of co-opted Members is set out in the Constitution. A co-opted member organisation shall be represented at meetings of the Combined Authority Board by a named representative or a named substitute. Those members and their substitute members are required to complete a declaration of interest form.

- 2.4 The Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Fire Authority met on 16 June 2022 and Councillor Edna Murphy, Chair of Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Fire Authority, has been nominated as the Fire Authority's non-voting co-opted member of the Combined Authority Board for 2022/23 and Councillor Mohammed Jamil, Vice Chair of the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Fire Authority, has been nominated as her substitute.
- 2.5 As stated in the Cambridgeshire & Peterborough Combined Authority Constitution Chapter 2 (section 3.1) the Business Board will nominate one of its Members, normally the Chair, to be a Member of the Combined Authority and another Member to act in the absence of the appointed Member (the Substitute Member). The Combined Authority will consider the nomination and appoint the Business Board Member and the Business Board Substitute Member. Each appointment shall be for a one-year term.
- 2.6 The Business Board met on 11 July 2022 and Alex Plant has been nominated as the Business Board representative on the Combined Authority Board for the municipal year 2022/23 and Professor Andy Neely has been nominated as the substitute member. The Board are requested to approve the appointment.

#### **Business Board Substitute Members**

- 2.7 As stated in the Constitution (Appendix 5, Section 8.2): The Mayor and the Lead Member for Economic Growth of the Combined Authority shall be members of the Business Board by virtue of their office. The Combined Authority may appoint at least one Substitute Member to act in their absence. These shall be non-voting members of the Board.
- 2.8 The Combined Authority Board is invited to appoint Councillor Bridget Smith as substitute member for the Mayor and Lead Member for Economic Growth for the Business Board.

### Mayor's Nomination to Lead Member Positions

2.9 Following engagement with Constituent Council Leaders, the Mayor nominates Councillor Edna Murphy as the Lead Member for Governance.

## 3. Financial Implications

3.1 In accordance with the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority Order 2017 no remuneration is to be payable by the Combined Authority to its members or substitute members.

# 4. Legal Implications

- 4.1 The Monitoring Officer has delegated authority to accept changes to membership of committees notified by Board members during the municipal year to ensure there is a full complement of members or substitute members at committee meetings. The new appointment shall take effect after the nomination has been approved by the Monitoring Officer.
- 4.2 Notice of changes to appointments to the CA Board must be given to the Monitoring Officer stating the new appointment and the termination of the previous appointment to the

Combined Authority. The new appointment shall take effect and the previous appointment terminate at the end of fourteen days from the date on which the notice was given, or such longer period not exceeding one month.

- 5. Public Health Implications
- 5.1 None
- 6. Environmental and Climate Change Implications
- 6.1 None
- 7. Appendices
- 7.1 None
- 8. Background papers
- 8.1 <u>Combined Authority Board annual meeting 8 June 2022 Item 1.5 Membership of the Combined Authority</u>