



Agenda Item No: 3.1

Reappointment of Business Board Co-opted Members

To:	Business Board
Meeting Date:	14 March 2022
Public report:	Yes
Lead Member:	Chair of the Business Board, Austen Adams
From:	Business Board & Business Programmes Manager, Domenico Cirillo
Key decision:	No
Recommendations:	<p>The Business Board is asked to:</p> <p>Approve the reappointment of Mike Herd and Dr Andrew Williams to continue as co-opted members on the Business Board.</p>

1. Purpose

- 1.1 To reappoint both Mike Herd of The Alpha Group and Dr Andy Williams of Astra Zeneca to continue as non-voting co-opted members on the Business Board.
- 1.2 On 16th March 2021, the Business Board approved their original appointments on a term of 12 months and this reappointment is required to extend this term for a further 12 months up to March 2023.

2. Background

- 2.1 The Combined Authority's Assurance Framework (September 2021 - p18, para 3.3.42) states that where specific skills or abilities are required which are not available among existing members, the Board may appoint up to five co-opted members as necessary to complement the skills and expertise on the Business Board. Co-opted members are proposed due to the skills and abilities that can be brought to the Business Board.
- 2.2 Co-opted members will not have voting rights and will not count towards quorum.
- 2.3 Co-opted members do not count towards the Local Enterprise Partnership Board membership gender or protected characteristic diversity and private sector representation requirements.
- 2.4 Notwithstanding paragraph 2.2, both members have made a positive impact and contribution to the Business Board, and the Chair of the Business Board supports these reappointments.

Significant Implications

3. Financial Implications

- 3.1 As private sector members, both co-optees would receive an annual allowance of £5,000, in line with the Business Board Expenses & Allowances Scheme.
- 3.2 The funding of £10k p.a. to support these appointments is already in place as follows. All Board allowances are funded 25% from the Business Board Allowances budget line (funded from Enterprise Zone Receipts) and 75% from the Local Growth Fund (LGF) Costs budget line (funded from the LGF top-slice), and both budgets have the headroom to facilitate these costs for 2022-23 independent of the decision on the reprofiling of the 'top-slice' management budget requested in item 2.2 of this meeting.

4. Legal Implications

- 4.1 No legal implications.

5. Public Health Implications

5.1 No public health implications.

6. Environmental and Climate Change Implications

6.1 No environmental or climate change implications.

7. Other Significant Implications

7.1 None.

8. Appendices

8.1 None.

9. Background Papers

9.1 [Business Board Co-opted Memberships \(Agenda Item 3.4 – 16th March 2021\)](#)

9.2 [Business Board Expenses & Allowance Scheme](#)