



<b>OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE</b>	<b>AGENDA ITEM No:</b>
23 March 2020	<b>PUBLIC REPORT</b>

## **CLIMATE CHANGE COMMISSION**

### **1.0 PURPOSE**

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to provide an update on the establishment of an independent Climate Change Commission for Cambridgeshire and Peterborough.

<b><u>DECISION REQUIRED</u></b>	
<b>FROM:</b>	
<b>Lead Officer:</b>	<b>Paul Raynes, Director of Delivery and Strategy</b>
The Committee is recommended to:  Note the content of this report.	

### **2.0 BACKGROUND**

- 2.1 On 27 November 2019 the Combined Authority Board approved the establishment of an Independent Commission on Climate Change with a mandate to report within the following 12 months. It also agreed the terms of reference of the Commission; and a revenue budget of £125,000 to support the Commission's work. It will meet at least monthly and the Commission will not be remunerated. The Board authorised the chief executive, in consultation with the Mayor, to appoint a chairman and members of the Commission.

### **3.0 ESTABLISHING THE CLIMATE CHANGE COMMISSION**

- 3.1 Under the terms of reference, the Commission will consist of a chair, a deputy chair, and ten other members. It will include a broad spread of expertise with at least four members each from business and the voluntary/community sector. It will not include political members.
- 3.2 Live discussions are underway to confirm the chair. The chair, once confirmed, will take the lead in recommending commissioners in consultation with the Mayor and authorised by the chief executive.
- 3.3 The Commission's work will be supported by an officer Management Steering Group and a Technical Group. The Management Steering Group has been established. This will ensure information requests from the Commission are actioned. The Technical Group is being assembled, although its composition is partly dependent upon the scope of the information requests from the Commission (and there may need for several technical sub-groups to examine specific aspects in more detail).
- 3.4 The mandate for the Commission is for an interim report in Spring, with a final report in Autumn 2020. Once up and running it will be for the independent Commission confirm delivery to those dates.

### **4.0 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

- 4.1 None

### **APPENDICES**

None

<b><u>Source Documents</u></b>	<b><u>Location</u></b>
<b>Report to CPCA Board, 27<sup>th</sup> November 2019</b>	<a href="https://cambridgeshirepeterboroughcagov.cmis.uk.com/Meetings/tabid/70/ctl/ViewMeetingPublic/mid/397/Meeting/849/Committee/63/SelectedTab/Documents/Default.aspx">https://cambridgeshirepeterboroughcagov.cmis.uk.com/Meetings/tabid/70/ctl/ViewMeetingPublic/mid/397/Meeting/849/Committee/63/SelectedTab/Documents/Default.aspx</a>