



**CAMBRIDGESHIRE  
& PETERBOROUGH**  
COMBINED AUTHORITY

## Extraordinary meeting of the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority Board: Minutes (public)

Date: Wednesday 8 February 2023

Time: 5.23pm – 5.28pm

Venue: Civic Suite, Pathfinder House, Huntingdon PE29 3TN

Present: Councillor A Smith (Statutory Deputy Mayor) – Cambridge City Council, L Nethsingha (Non-Statutory Deputy Mayor) – Cambridgeshire County Council, Councillor O Sainsbury – Peterborough City Council, Councillor T Sanderson – Huntingdonshire District Council and Councillor B Smith – South Cambridgeshire District Council

Co-opted Member (non-voting) Councillor M Jamil - Fire Authority

Apologies: Mayor Dr Nik Johnson, Councillor A Bailey Councillor C Boden, Councillor S Conboy (substituted by Councillor T Sanderson), Councillor W Fitzgerald (substituted by Councillor O Sainsbury), A Plant, Councillor E Murphy (substituted by Councillor M Jamil), J O'Brien and D Preston

### 358. Announcements, apologies for absence and declarations of interest

There were no announcements. Apologies for absence were reported as recorded above. There were no declarations of interest.

### 359. Public questions

No public questions were received.

### 360. Appointment of Executive Director Economy and Growth and Executive Director Resource and Performance (S73 Officer)

The names of the candidate appointed by the Employment Committee for the role of Executive Director Economy and Growth and the candidate recommended to the Board by the Employment Committee for appointment as Executive Director of Resource and Performance (S73 Officer) were contained in an exempt appendix to the report. This appendix was exempt from publication under Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local

Government Act 1972, as amended, in that it would not be in the public interest for this information to be disclosed: information relating to an individual; information which was likely to reveal the identity of an individual; and information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information). The benefit in maintaining the exemption was deemed to outweigh the benefit in its publication.

All voting members of the Board present had sat on the Employment Committee earlier in the day. The non-voting co-opted member representing the Fire Authority had been briefed verbally by officers on the Employment Committee's deliberations and recommendations. No member of the Board expressed the wish to discuss the exempt appendix.

The Board was advised of the detailed process which had been followed to identify the candidates invited to interview for these roles. This had included initial discussions and interviews with the CPCA's recruitment consultant Penna, discussions with the Interim Chief Executive, discussions with a stakeholder group and culminating in interview by the Employment Committee.

On being proposed by the Statutory Deputy Mayor, seconded by Councillor Nethsingha, it was resolved unanimously to:

- a) Note the contents of this report.
- b) Receive and agree the recommendation made by the Members of the Employment Committee at the meeting on 8 February 2023 that the preferred candidate be appointed to the position of Executive Director Resources and Performance (s73 Officer): Nick Bell
- c) Receive and note the appointment of the Executive Director Economy and Growth by the Employment Committee: Richard Kenny
- d) Delegate to the Interim Chief Executive the function of agreeing with the successful candidates the terms and conditions of appointment, including associated start date and any other requirements and actions necessary to finalise arrangements.

(Mayor)