



**CAMBRIDGESHIRE
& PETERBOROUGH**
COMBINED AUTHORITY

JAMES PALMER
CAMBRIDGESHIRE &
PETERBOROUGH MAYOR

Agenda Item No: 2.2

Mayor's Budget 2021-22

To: Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority Board

Meeting Date: 27 January 2021

Public report: Yes

Lead Member: Mayor James Palmer

From: Jon Alsop
Chief Finance Officer

Key decision: Yes

Forward Plan reference: KD 2020/070

Recommendations: The Combined Authority Board is recommended to:
Approve the Mayor's draft budget for 2021-22

Voting arrangements: Simple majority of all Members present and voting.

This is a recorded vote

1. Purpose

1.1 This report recommends the Board approve the Mayor's draft budget for 2021/22.

2. Background

2.1 In accordance with the Combined Authorities (Finance) Order 2017, the Mayor must, before the 1st February in any financial year, notify the Combined Authority of the Mayor's draft budget in relation to the following financial year.

2.2 The process and timetable for approving the Mayor's budget is set out in **Appendix 1**.

2.3 The draft Mayor's Office budget is shown within the 2021/22 Draft Budget and Medium-Term Financial Plan (MTFP) report and is set out below.

Mayor's Office Draft Budget	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25
	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's
<u>Income in Year</u>				
Revenue Single Pot Funding	-483	-490	-497	-504
Total Revenue Funding	-483	-490	-497	-504
<u>Mayor's Office</u>				
Mayor's Allowance	96	98	100	102
Mayor's Conference Attendance	10	10	10	10
Mayor's Office Expenses	40	40	40	40
Mayor's Office Accommodation	77	77	77	77
Mayor's Office Staff	260	265	270	275
Total Mayor's Costs	483	490	497	504

2.4 The Mayoral allowance is based on the recommendation of the Independent Remuneration Panel for the Mayor's allowance to be increased to £80,000, to reflect the change in the role and responsibilities of the Mayor as was discussed at the CA Board on 29th May 2019, plus indexation and on-costs.

2.5 The Mayor's Office expenses reflects the budget required for the Mayor and the Mayor's Office staff to properly carry out their duties.

2.6 The Mayor's Office accommodation costs allows for a full year's costs of the Mayor's offices in Ely.

2.7 The Mayor's Office staff budget includes the salary costs plus on-costs of five members of staff.

2.8 The Mayor's draft budget will be deemed to be approved if the Combined Authority does not make a report to the Mayor by 8th February 2021.

2.9 The costs of the mayoral functions for 2021/22 will be funded from Revenue Gainshare. There will be no precepts issued by the authority to fund the costs of mayoral functions for 2021/22.

3. Financial Implications

3.1 There are no matters to bring to the Board's attention other than those highlighted in other sections of the report.

4. Legal Implications

4.1 The Combined Authority is required to prepare a balanced budget each financial year in accordance with statutory timelines.

4.2 The process for setting the mayor's budget is contained within the Combined Authorities (Finance) Order 2017.

5. Other Significant Implications

5.1 There are no other significant implications

6. Appendices

6.1 Appendix 1 – Setting of a Combined Authority's budget: Mayor's general functions

Appendix 1

Setting of a Combined Authority's budget: Mayor's general functions - CA (Finance) Order 2017

