

Agenda Item No: 10

Report title: Overview and Scrutiny Lead Members Questions

To: Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Meeting Date: 25th January 2021

Public report: Yes

Lead Member: Chair - Cllr Lorna Dupre

From: Anne Gardiner

Scrutiny Officer

Recommendations: Note the questions and responses received from the Executive

Committees.

Voting arrangements: N/A

1. Purpose

1.1 To provide the Committee with a copy of the questions that the Lead members submitted to the Combined Authority Executive Committees and the responses provided.

2. Background

- 2.1 Under the new governance arrangements, effective from 1 November 2019, decision making is now distributed between the Combined Authority Board and the Executive Committees. There are three Executive Committees, Skills, Housing & Communities and Transport & Infrastructure. The single Forward Plan sets out both key and non key decisions and allocates the decision making between the Combined Authority Board and the Executive Committees.
- 2.2 With significant decisions being taken by the Executive Committees, the Overview and Scrutiny Committee (O&S) has a role in scrutinising the work of those Committees. In order to do so, the committee have appointed members of O&S to lead in respect of the work of each Executive Committee.
- 2.3 The current Lead Member's from the Overview and Scrutiny Committee are:-Skills Committee - Cllr Andy Coles Housing Committee - Cllr Jocelynne Scutt

Transport and Infrastructure Committee – Cllr Alan Sharp

2.4 This month the Executive Committees met on the:

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6<sup>th</sup> January – Transport and Infrastructure Committee
11<sup>th</sup> January – Skills Committee
11<sup>th</sup> January – Housing and Communities Committee
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2.5 In agreement with the Chair for the Overview and Scrutiny Committee the Lead Members submitted questions to Transport and Infrastructure Committee and Housing and Communities Committee.

The questions asked and the responses provided can be found at Appendix A and Appendix B.

- 3. Financial Implications
- 3.1 No financial implications
- 4. Legal Implications
- 4.1 No legal implications.
- 5. Appendices
- 5.1 Appendix A Questions and responses Transport and Infrastructure Committee
- 5.2 Appendix B Questions and responses Housing and Communities Committee