



**CAMBRIDGESHIRE
& PETERBOROUGH**
COMBINED AUTHORITY

Agenda Item No: 1.9

Appointments to Executive Committees and Appointment of Chairs and Lead Members

To:	Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority Board
Meeting Date:	2 June 2021
Public report:	Yes
Lead Member:	Mayor Dr Nik Johnson
From:	Robert Parkin, Chief Legal Officer and Monitoring Officer
Key decision:	No
Forward Plan ref:	n/a
Recommendations:	<p>The Combined Authority Board is recommended to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a) note and agree the Mayor's nominations to Lead Member responsibilities and the membership of the committees including the Chairs of committees for 2020/21 as set out in Appendix 1 (to follow)b) note the Members and substitute Members appointed by constituent councils to the Combined Authority for the municipal year 2021/2022 (Appendix 1).c) Note and agree the Membership for the Employment Committee for 2021/22 (Appendix 1)
Voting arrangements:	Simple majority of members present and voting.

1. Purpose

- 1.1. At its meeting on 25 July 2018, the Combined Authority Board agreed to establish three committees. The Constitution was amended accordingly at its meeting on 26 September 2018.
- 1.2. A review of Governance was reported to the Combined Authority Board meeting on 25 September 2019 with amendments agreed as at section 2.2 below. This report asks the Board to agree the Mayor's nominations to Lead Member responsibilities and the membership of the committees for 2020/21.

2. Background

- 2.1 In July 2018, the Combined Authority Board agreed a new system of decision making through the establishment of three committees. The terms of reference of the Transport and Infrastructure Committee, the Skills Committee and the Housing and Communities Committee were also agreed.
- 2.2. The Combined Authority reviewed its governance arrangements on 25 September 2019 and resolved that the Combined Authority Board shall appoint the committee and substitute members. It was also resolved that, with the exception of the Chair, Board members may nominate another member from their constituent council to be a member of the committee in their place. The Board member shall also nominate a named substitute member. Nominations are in consultation with the Mayor and subject to approval by the Board. In principle, neither the Mayor nor the Board will seek to exercise their voting rights to veto or vote against the appointment of constituent council members to executive committees. These amendments took effect on 1 November 2019.
- 2.3. The Mayor has allocated Lead Member responsibilities and these and the membership of committees are set out in Appendix 1 (to follow). The Board is asked to agree these allocations for 2021/21.

Employment Committee

- 2.4 At the meeting held on 30 September 2020 the Board agreed the constitutional changes to the Employment Committee including the membership. The Terms of Reference require the Employment Committee to be made up of eight members to include the Mayor or his/her nominee and a Board Member from each of the seven constituent councils or their nominee. The Chair must be a Board member.
- 2.5 The Constitution states that the Combined Authority Board shall appoint the members of the Committee, and their substitute members. With the exception of the Chair, Board members may nominate another member from their constituent council to be a member of the Committee in their place. The Board member shall also nominate a named substitute member. Nominations are in consultation with the Mayor and subject to approval by the Board. In principle, neither the Mayor nor the Board will seek to exercise their voting rights to veto or vote against the appointment of constituent council members to the Committee or the Sub-Committees. These amendments took effect in November 2020.

3. Financial Implications

- 3.1. In accordance with the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority Order 2017 no remuneration is to be payable by the Combined Authority to its members.

4. Legal Implications

- 4.1. The responsibilities of Lead Members are set out in Chapter 4 paragraph 3 of the Constitution. The committees' terms of reference are also set out in the Constitution.
- 4.2. The legal implications are set out in this report.

5. Significant Implications

- 5.1. There are no additional implications in this report.

6. Appendices

- 6.1. Appendix 1 – Lead Member Responsibilities and membership – allocations

7. Background Papers

- 7.1 [Report and decisions of the Combined Authority Board 25 July 2018](#)
- 7.2 [Report and decisions of the Combined Authority Board 26 September 2018](#)