# Extraordinary Meeting of the Combined Authority Board
# 20 May 2022

Proposed amendment to Item No. 2.1: Motion on Notice

Proposer: Councillor Herbert
Seconder: Councillor Nethsingha

Recommendation:

1. In light of the matters listed in Confidential Appendix 1 [at exempt appendix 3 to this report], **and the full investigation process already underway following a decision under the Member Conduct Complaints Procedure by the Combined Authority's Monitoring Officer,** the CPCA Board: ~~invites Dr Nik Johnson to consider either resigning as Mayor of the Combined Authority or, alternatively, voluntarily suspending himself as Mayor of the Combined Authority until all of the matters referred to in Confidential Appendix 1 [at exempt appendix 3 to this report] are procedurally concluded.~~

   a) **fully supports that investigation process and does not support or welcome any interference or prejudgement by Board members during that process, or see any justification to cause the Mayor himself to prejudge the outcome.**

2. ~~This motion, including Confidential Appendix 1 [at exempt appendix 3 to this report] is to be forwarded immediately to the Department for Levelling Up, Housing & Communities (DLUHC).~~

3. ~~If the Mayor has neither resigned nor voluntarily suspended himself in accordance with clause 1 above within 7 days of the passage of this motion by the CPCA Board, the CPCA Board shall be deemed to have passed a motion of no confidence in the Mayor, and the CPCA shall immediately send a request to DLHUC to request emergency support for the CPCA to assist the CPCA in fulfilling its legal responsibilities given that there will have been a breakdown of trust between the Mayor and the Board.~~

   b) **supports, on its conclusion, consideration of any recommendations by the Combined Authority and its Audit and Governance Committee and that any such recommendations are published, according to the clear and proper review processes defined in the Constitution.**

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