



CAMBRIDGESHIRE & PETERBOROUGH COMBINED AUTHORITY

Decision Statement

Meeting: Wednesday 29th January 2020

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Decision review deadline: Monday 10th February 2020.

Each decision set out below will come into force, and may then be implemented at 5.00pm on the fifth full working day after the publication date, unless it is subject of a decision review. [see note on call in below].

| Item | Topic | Decision |
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| Part 1 – Governance Items | | |
| 1.1 | Announcements, Apologies and Declarations of Interest | <p>Apologies were received from Councillors S Count (substituted by Councillor R Hickford) and R Fuller (substituted by Councillor J Neish).</p> <p>The following declarations of interest were made:</p> <p><u>Item 3.1.1: £100m Affordable Housing Programme (Non-Grant) Proposed Acquisition – Hunts</u> Mayor James Palmer declared a non-statutory disclosable interest as a director of Angle Developments (East) Ltd. The Mayor did not take part in discussion of the report and did not vote.</p> <p><u>Item 3.1.2: £100m Affordable Housing Programme (Non-Grant) Proposed Acquisition – Fenland</u> Mayor James Palmer declared a non-statutory disclosable interest as a director of Angle Developments (East) Ltd. The Mayor did not take part in discussion of the report and did not vote.</p> |

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| | | <p><u>Item 5.1: University of Peterborough Outline Business Case Phase 1</u> Councillor John Holdich declared a non-statutory disclosable interest as the Leader of Peterborough City Council. Following advice from the Monitoring Officer Councillor Holdich did speak and vote on the item.</p> <p><u>Item 6.1: For approval as Accountable Body: Local Growth Fund Project Proposals January 2020</u></p> <p>Austen Adams declared a disclosable pecuniary interest as the managing director of Stainless Metalcraft (Chatteris) Ltd. Mr Adams did not take part in discussion of the report and did not vote.</p> |
| 1.2 | Minutes – 27 November 2019 | The minutes of the meeting on 27 November 2019 were confirmed as an accurate record and signed by the Mayor. |
| 1.3 | Petitions | None received. |
| 1.4 | Public Questions | Nine public questions were received. A copy of the questions is published at the following link - Combined Authority: Public Questions |
| - | A605 Kings Dyke Level Crossing Closure | <p>It was resolved to:</p> <p>Agree Cambridgeshire County Council’s revised timeline for completion of the King’s Dyke Level Crossing Closure scheme of late 2022.</p> |
| 1.5 | Forward Plan – January 2020 | It was resolved to approve the Forward Plan published on 17 January 2020 and the addition to the Forward Plan of KD2020/023: A605 Kings Dyke Level Crossing Closure published on 27 January 2020 under special urgency arrangements. |
| 1.6 | Membership of the Combined Authority Board and Appointment of the Lead Member for Housing and Chair of the Housing and Communities Committee | <p>It was resolved to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Note and agree the nominations for membership of the Executive Committees, Chairs and Lead Members for the remainder of the 2019/20 municipal year, as set out in Appendix 1. b) Note that Councillor Ray Bisby has been appointed as the acting Police and Crime Commissioner for Cambridgeshire and Peterborough and is now a co-opted member of the Combined Authority Board. |

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| 1.7 | Review of the Corporate Risk Management Strategy | It was resolved to: Adopt the proposed revised Risk Management Strategy [Appendix 2]; |
| 1.8 | Review of the Data Protection Policy | It was resolved to: Adopt the revised Data Protection Policy [Appendix 2] |
| 1.9 | Performance Reporting | It was resolved to: Note the January Delivery Dashboard |
| Part 2 – Finance | | |
| 2.1 | Mayor's Budget 2020-21 | It was resolved to: Approve the Mayor's draft budget for 2020/21. |
| 2.2 | Combined Authority Business Plan 2020-21 | It was resolved to: a) Review the draft 2020-21 Combined Authority Business Plan attached at Appendix 1 and consider any appropriate amendments. b) Delegate to the Chief Executive the authority to finalise the Business Plan for publication in the light of the view of the Combined Authority Board. |
| 2.3 | Budget Monitor Update | It was resolved to: Note the updated financial position of the Combined Authority for the year. |

| Part 3 - Combined Authority Decisions | | |
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| 3.1.1 | £100m Affordable Housing Programme (Non-Grant) Proposed Acquisition – Huntingdonshire | <p>It was resolved to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Approve the lending of a sum of £1,400,000 from the Combined Authority to Angle Developments (East) Ltd to enable the acquisition and progression of a revised planning application on a site in Huntingdonshire (comprising £900,000 to acquire the site and £500,000 in costs). Heads of terms for the acquisition are detailed in the Business Case at Exempt Appendix 1. The purchase will be Conditional on satisfactory investigation and pricing of land contamination being within the £300,000 allowance provided for in the business case. b) Grant delegated authority to the Development Manager Housing and Development, in consultation with the Deputy Monitoring Officer and the Lead Member for Investment and Finance, to conclude any necessary documentation to complete the loan with Angle Developments (East) Ltd. |
| 3.1.2 | £100m Affordable Housing Programme – Non-Grant – Fenland | <p>It was resolved to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Approve the lending of a sum of £1,290,000 from the Combined Authority to Angle Developments (East) Ltd to enable the acquisition and progression of a revised planning application on a site in Fenland (comprising £790,000 to acquire the site and £500,000 in costs). Heads of terms for the acquisition are detailed in the Business Case at exempt Appendix 1. b) Grant delegated authority to the Housing Development Manager, in consultation with the Deputy Monitoring Officer and the Portfolio Holder for Investment and Finance, to conclude any necessary legal documentation to complete the loan with Angle Developments (East) Ltd. |
| 3.2 | £100k Homes Business Case | <p>It was resolved to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Approve the Business Case detailed in Appendix 1; and b) Authorise the Monitoring Officer to amend the terms of reference of the Housing & Communities Committee to include the responsibility for adopting the £100k Homes Allocations Policy. |

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| 3.3 | Market Towns Programme – Approval of Masterplans for Fenland | <p>It was resolved to;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Approve the four Growing Fenland market town masterplans produced for March, Wisbech, Chatteris and Whittlesey. b) Note the Overarching Growing Fenland Strategic Report for the Fenland district (referenced in paragraphs 2.21 – 2.25). |
| <p>By Recommendation to the Combined Authority</p> <p>Part 4 – Transport & Infrastructure Committee Recommendations to the Combined Authority</p> | | |
| 4.1 | Local Transport Plan | <p>It was resolved to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Note the Public Consultation Report and Final Local Transport Plan; b) Approve the Local Transport Plan. |
| 4.2 | Cambridge Autonomous Metro (CAM) Core Outline Business Case – Public Consultation | <p>It was resolved to:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Agree that a non-statutory public consultation on the CAM should be undertaken in the early part of the New Year.</p> |
| 4.3 | Cambridge Autonomous Metro (CAM) Programme - Regional Arms Strategic Outline Business Case (SOBC) Tender Document. | <p>It was resolved to:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Approve early development of the CAM regional arms SOBC tender documents as part of the wider CAM programme and for £100,000 to be utilised from uncommitted contingency within the current 19/20 CAM OBC budget to fund the early development of these documents.</p> |

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| 4.4 | Delegation of Passenger Transport Powers and the Transport Levy 2020-21 | <p>It was resolved to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Approve the delegation of the role of Travel Concessionaire Authority and other powers set out in paragraph 2.8 of the appendix, to Cambridgeshire County Council (CCC) and Peterborough City Council (PCC) for the 2020/21 financial year b) Approve the amount and apportionment of the Transport Levy (2020/21 financial year) as set below: <p>Peterborough City Council: £3,849,906 Cambridgeshire County Council: £8,497,733</p> |
| <p>By Recommendation to the Combined Authority</p> <p>Part 5 – Skills Committee Recommendations to the Combined Authority</p> | | |
| 5.1 | University of Peterborough Outline Business Case – Phase 1 | <p>It was resolved to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Approve the preferred option as part of an Options Appraisal and adopt the Outline Business Case for the new University of Peterborough as a Combined Authority priority and key element of the Local Industrial Strategy and Skills Strategy; b) Approve the development of a Subscription Agreement between the Combined Authority and Peterborough City Council for the capital investment into the development of Phase 1 and the land required and delegate to the Director of Business and Skills, in consultation with the Lead Member for Skills, the Chief Financial Officer and the Monitoring Officer, authority to negotiate and complete the Subscription Agreement; c) Approve the commitment to invest the £12.3M capital budget into the Phase 1 build and draw down the funding to mobilise the activities and milestones identified within the Outline Business Case to achieve the target of opening the University in September 2022 to 2000 students. |

By Recommendation to the Combined Authority

Part 6 – Business Board Recommendations to the Combined Authority

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| 6.1 | For approval as Accountable Body – Local Growth Fund Project Proposals January 2020 | It was resolved to: <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. Approve funding for the projects ranked 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 12 and 14 in the table at paragraph 2.8 below based on achieving highest scoring criteria and external evaluation recommendation.b. Approve a revised grant funding offer for the project ranked 11 in the table at paragraph 2.8 of £2,400,000.c. Approve a revised grant funding offer for the project ranked 13 in the table at paragraph 2.8 of £1,400,000.d. Reject project ranked 15 in the table at paragraph 2.8 in the report.e) Decline projects ranked 3 and 16 in the table at paragraph 2.8 based on the scoring criteria for project 16 as this is the lowest scored project and the external evaluation recommendation on project 3.f) Delegate authority to the Director of Business and Skills, in consultation with the Lead Member for Investment and Finance, to approve project ranked 10 upon completion of satisfactory renegotiation of the management fee proposed and due diligence. |
| 6.2 | For approval as Accountable Body – Local Growth Fund Programme Management January 2020 | It was resolved to: <ul style="list-style-type: none">a) Note the programme updates outlined in this paper to the Combined Authority Board.b) Note the submission of the Growth Deal monitoring report to Government to end Q2 2019/20. |

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| 6.3 | Monitoring and Evaluation Plan | <p>It was resolved to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Approve the incorporation of the proposed Local Growth Fund Monitoring & Evaluation Plan into the Monitoring and Evaluation Framework and to grant the Monitoring Officer delegated authority to make any consequential amendments required to the Monitoring and Evaluation Framework. b) Note the resource implications for effective Monitoring & Evaluation to be delivered. |
| 6.4 | Eastern Agri-Tech Growth Initiative Funding Review | <p>It was resolved to:</p> <p>Approve a reduction in the Local Growth Fund allocated to the Eastern Agri-Tech Growth Initiative scheme of £3.5m.</p> |
| 6.5 | Small Business Capital Grant Scheme Funding Allocation | <p>It was resolved to:</p> <p>Approve the allocation of an additional £9m to the Small Business Capital Growth Grant Programme from Local Growth Fund and recycled Growth Fund to create a total £12m budget for the Small Business Capital Growth Grant programme</p> |
| 6.6 | High Growth Small and Medium Sized Enterprisers Observatory | <p>It was resolved to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Note and approve the proposals to create the Observatory which will act as a Research, Analytical and Market Intelligence function to identify the Combined Authority's target clients at a total cost of £80,000 subject to the following: b) Approve the re-profiling of £80,000 from the 19-20 LEP Capacity Funding budget to cover the costs of the High Growth SME Observatory in 2020/21 and 2021/22. |
| Part 7 – Budget | | |
| 7.1 | Budget 2020-21 and Medium Term Financial Plan 2020-2024 (1) | <p>It was resolved to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Approve the revenue budget for 2020/21 and the Medium-Term Financial Plan 2020/21 to 2023/24. b) Approve the capital programme 2020/21 to 2023/24 |

Part 8 – Motion submitted under Proceedings of Meetings Rule 14

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| 8.1 | Motion received from Councillor Chris Boden | On being put to the vote, the amended motion was carried: To remove Shire Hall, Cambridge from the premises used by the Combined Authority Board, its Executive Committees, Employment Committee, Overview & Scrutiny Committee and Audit & Governance Committee; and not use Shire Hall for informal meetings where attendance is limited to the Mayor, and / or Members of the Combined Authority and / or officers of the Combined Authority. |
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Notes:

- (a) Statements in bold type indicate additional resolutions made at the meeting.
- (b) Five Members of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee may call-in a key decision of the Mayor, the Combined Authority Board or an Officer for scrutiny by notifying the Monitoring Officer.

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