



CAMBRIDGESHIRE AND PETERBOROUGH COMBINED AUTHORITY BOARD	AGENDA ITEM No: 1.6
27 JANUARY 2020	PUBLIC REPORT

MEMBERSHIP OF THE COMBINED AUTHORITY BOARD AND APPOINTMENT OF THE LEAD MEMBER FOR HOUSING AND THE CHAIR OF THE HOUSING AND COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE

1.0 PURPOSE

- 1.1. At its meeting on 30 October 2019 the Combined Authority Board agreed the nominations for membership of the Executive Committees, Chairs of Executive Committees and Lead Members for the remainder of the 2019/20 municipal year. Councillor Graham Bull, the former Leader of Huntingdonshire District Council (HDC) resigned from that role with effect from 4 December 2019 and Councillor Ryan Fuller was elected as the new Leader of HDC. Councillor Bull was the Combined Authority's Lead Member for Housing and Chair of the Housing and Communities Committee and it is therefore necessary for the Board to consider the Mayor's nomination for those roles.
- 1.2. It is also necessary for the Board to consider Huntingdonshire District Council's revised nominations for members and substitutes on the Combined Authority's Executive Committees.
- 1.3. On 27 November 2019 the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Police and Crime Panel appointed Councillor Ray Bisby as the acting Police and Crime Commissioner. Councillor Bisby will hold the office until the scheduled Police and Crime Commissioner elections in May 2020. The Board is asked to note Councillor Bisby's membership of the Board as a co-opted member and that he does not have a substitute.

<u>DECISION REQUIRED</u>	
Lead Member:	James Palmer, Mayor
Lead Officer:	Dermot Pearson, Interim Legal Counsel and Monitoring Officer
Forward Plan Ref: n/a	Key Decision: No
The Combined Authority Board is recommended to:	Voting arrangements

<p>(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.</p>	<p>(a) Simple majority of all Members.</p>
<p>(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.</p>	

2.0 BACKGROUND

- 2.1. At its meeting on 30 October 2019 the Combined Authority Board agreed the nominations for membership of the Executive Committees, Chairs of Executive Committees and Lead Members for the remainder of the 2019/20 municipal year. Councillor Graham Bull, the former Leader of Huntingdonshire District Council resigned from that role with effect from 4 December 2019 and Councillor Ryan Fuller was elected as the new Leader. Councillor Bull was the Combined Authority's Lead Member for Housing and Chair of the Housing and Communities Committee and it is therefore necessary for the Board to consider the Mayor's nomination for those roles.
- 2.2. It is also necessary for the Board to consider Huntingdonshire District Council's nominations for members and substitutes on the Combined Authority's executive committees. Under the Constitution the Monitoring Officer has delegated authority to accept changes to membership of committees notified by Board members during the municipal year to ensure there is a full complement of members or substitute members at committee meetings. Any such new appointments take effect after the nomination has been approved by the Monitoring Officer and shall be reported at the following Board meeting for ratification. In this case the Monitoring Officer accepted the nominations of Huntingdonshire District Council to ensure a full complement of members or substitute members at the Executive Committee meetings held in January 2020 and those nominations are now brought to the Combined Authority Board for ratification.
- 2.3. On 27 November 2019 the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Police and Crime Panel appointed Councillor Ray Bisby as the acting Police and Crime Commissioner. Councillor Bisby will hold the office until the scheduled Police and Crime Commissioner elections in May 2020. The Board is asked to note Councillor Bisby's membership of the Board as a co-opted member and that he does not have a nominated substitute.
- 2.4. The members and substitute members of the Executive Committees are appointed by the Combined Authority Board. With the exception of the role of Chair, Board Members may nominate another member from their constituent council to be a member of an Executive Committee in their place, together with

a 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.

2.5. The Mayor nominates Lead Member responsibilities subject to approval by the Combined Authority Board by a simple majority vote which must include the Mayor.

2.6. The nominations for membership of the Executive Committees, Chairs of the Executive Committees and Lead Members are set out in Appendix 1. The Board is asked to agree these nominations for the remainder of the 2019/20 municipal year.

2.7. The proposed changes to the arrangements agreed by the Board in October 2019 are as follows:

2.6.1 Councillor Chris Boden is nominated by the Mayor to be the Lead Member for Housing and the Chair of the Housing and Communities Committee;

2.6.2 Huntingdonshire District Council's revised nominations for the Executive Committees are:

2.6.2.1 Housing and Communities Committee - Councillor Ryan Fuller [Member], Councillor Jon Neish [Substitute];

2.6.2.2 Skills Committee - Councillor Jon Neish [Member], Councillor Ryan Fuller [Substitute]

2.6.2.3 Transport and Infrastructure Committee - Councillor Jon Neish [Member], Councillor Ryan Fuller [Substitute]

3.0 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.

4.0 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

4.1. The requirements as to appointment to Executive Committees, Chairs and Lead Members are set out in the body of the report and the Executive Committees' terms of reference are set out in the Constitution.

5.0 SIGNIFICANT IMPLICATIONS

5.1. There are no additional implications in this report.

6.0 APPENDICES

- 6.1. Appendix 1 – Nominations for Membership of Executive Committees, Chairs of Executive Committees and Lead Members.

<u>Background Papers</u>	<u>Location</u>
Report and decisions of the meeting of the Combined Authority Board held on 30 October 2019	Report to CA Board Oct 2019 Appendix to Report Oct 2019 Decision Summary Oct 2019 [See Item 1.7]