
ARP REVISED PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT

Committee: Council

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1.0 **ISSUE**

1.1 To approve changes to the Anglia Revenue Partnership agreement.

2.0 **RECOMMENDATION**

2.1 Members are requested to:

- i) Approve the revised Anglia Revenue Partnership Agreement as set out in Appendix 1

3.0 **BACKGROUND/OPTIONS**

3.1 On 17 December 2019 (Agenda Item 40/19) the Anglia Revenues Partnership Joint Committee approved changes to the Partnership Agreement and further agreed to recommend that each partner Council approved these changes. This revised Partnership Agreement is provided at Appendix 1.

3.2 The changes arise from statutory changes to four of the Councils within the Partnership. On 24 May 2018 the Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 10, 11, 12 and 13 of the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007 (1) made The East Suffolk (Local Government Changes) Order 2018 and The West Suffolk (Local Government Changes) Order 2018. These orders took effect on 1 April 2019 to create two new non-metropolitan districts and councils for East and West Suffolk respectively and abolished Suffolk Coastal District, Waveney District, Forest Heath District and St Edmundsbury Borough Councils.

3.3 The revised Partnership Agreement reflects these changes with each authority having one member and one vote and makes further consequential changes that reflect that the Partnership has reduced from 7 Councils to 5 Councils.

3.4 The revised Partnership Agreement also updates matters that have been agreed by the Joint Committee, specifically:

- Financial provisions and budget shares: ensures that the agreement reflects current accounting practice and new partnership agreements
- Audit: clarifies provisions for audit and the role of Joint Committee and the Operational Improvement Board in the audit process

- Review process: updates the review process to remove the need for all Chief Executives to agree the need for a review
- Data Sharing: reflects changes to GDPR
- Variation: clarifies the approach to minor variation and what constitutes a minor variation

4.0 ARGUMENTS/CONCLUSIONS

4.1 The revised Partnership Agreement reflects the changes to other partner Councils and has been approved by the ARP Joint Committee. Members are recommended to approve the Partnership Agreement provided at Appendix 1.

5.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS/EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT/CARBON IMPACT ASSESSMENT

5.1 There are no financial implication arising from this report.

5.2 EIA not required.

5.3 CIA not required.

6.0 APPENDICIES

6.1 Appendix 1- Revised Partnership Agreement

<u>Background Documents</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Contact Officer</u>
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