



**CAMBRIDGESHIRE
& PETERBOROUGH**
COMBINED AUTHORITY

Cambridgeshire & Peterborough Combined Authority
Reports from Constituent Council Representatives on the Combined
Authority

Audit and Governance Committee
17th December 2021
Councillor David Brown

Overview and Scrutiny Committee
25 October, 22 November, and 13th December 2021
Councillor Lorna Dupré
Councillor Alan Sharp

Combined Authority Board
27 October and 24 November 2021
Councillor Anna Bailey

The above meetings have taken place in October, November and December 2021.

Audit and Governance Committee – 17th December 2021

The Audit and Governance Committee met on 17th December 2021; the decision summary is attached as Appendix 1.

Overview and Scrutiny Committee – 25th October, 22nd November and 13th December 2021

The Overview and Scrutiny Committee met on 25th October, 22nd November and 13th December 2021; the decision summaries are attached as Appendices 2, 3 and 4.

Combined Authority Board – 27th October and 24th November 2021

The Combined Authority Board met on 27th October and 24th November 2021; the decision summaries are attached as Appendices 5 and 6.

The agendas and minutes of the meetings are on the Combined Authority's website
– Link in the appendices.

Audit and Governance Committee Decision Summary

Meeting: 17 December 2021

Agenda/Minutes: [Audit and Governance Committee – 17th December 2021](#)

Chair: John Pye (Chair and Independent Person)

Summary of decisions taken at this meeting

Item	Topic	Decision <i>[None of the decisions below are key decisions]</i>
1	Apologies and Declarations of Interests	<p>Apologies were received from Cllr Shaz Nawaz, Peterborough County Council who was substituted by Cllr Mohammed Haseeb.</p> <p>Apologies were also received from Cllr's Graham Bull and Mac Maguire, Huntingdonshire District Council; and Cllr Tony Mason, South Cambridgeshire District Council whose substitute Cllr Peter Fane joined the meeting remotely.</p> <p>No disclosable interests were declared.</p>
2	Chair's Announcements	<p>The Chair made the following announcements:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Given this meeting was rearranged from the scheduled date on 26 November due to issues of quoracy the Chair encouraged members to have a dialogue with their named substitutes to avoid the risk of future meetings being inquorate and having to be abandoned. 2. The Chair informed the Committee of the latest public health guidelines encouraging business at meetings to be reduced and to only consider items which require a timely decision. To that end the Chair proposed to reduce the agenda for the meeting and suggested deferring items 4, 6, 10, 12 and 13 on the agenda to the next meeting of the Committee. This was agreed.

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		<p>3. The development session on the role of the Audit & Governance Committee and projects would be rescheduled to 2022.</p> <p>4. The Chair informed the Committee that an Independent Person for the Authority's complaints procedure has been appointed and the decisions had been ratified by the Combined Authority Board. David Pearl had been appointed with the reserve Independent Person being Gillian Holmes.</p>
3	Minutes of the Previous Meeting and Action Notes	<p>The minutes from the meeting held on 24 September 2021 were agreed as a correct record.</p> <p>The Actions from the previous meeting were noted.</p>
4	Combined Authority Update	This item was deferred.
5	Corporate Risk Register	<p>The Committee received the report from the Monitoring Officer The Committee questioned whether risks 21 and 32, related to housing, should be increased and have the same scores, which is currently not the case. This Committee's concerns would be raised with the Director of Housing.</p> <p>The Committee noted the report.</p>
6	Internal Audit	This item was deferred.
7	External Audit	<p>The Committee received the report from the Deputy Finance Officer and Mark Hodgson, from Ernst & Young.</p> <p>The Committee AGREED:</p> <p>a) The management letter of representation for the external audit opinion.</p>

8	Annual Accounts and Annual Governance Statement	<p>The Committee received the report from the Deputy Chief Finance Officer.</p> <p>The Committee AGREED:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) to approve the annual accounts; b) to approve the Annual Governance Statement.
9	Re-tendering Process	<p>The Committee were requested to consider a recommendation to opt into the national scheme for auditor appointments for the period 2023/24 to 2027/28. The Combined Authority Board would be considering this at their January 2022 meeting.</p> <p>The Chair asked the Committee if they were content with the recommendation to opt into the national scheme and make a recommendation to the Combined Authority Board on that basis. The Chair moved to support the recommendation, and this was seconded by Cllr Brown.</p> <p>The Committee AGREED:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) to support opting into the national scheme for auditor appointments for the period 2023/24 to 2027/28; b) to make a recommendation to the Combined Authority Board on this basis.
10	Climate Change	This item was deferred.
11	Combined Authority Constitution Review	<p>The Committee received the report which asked them to review the amendments to the Combined Authority Constitution following the annual review.</p> <p>The Committee AGREED to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Approve the revisions following the annual review of the Constitution, subject to the amendment suggested in 11.3 above; b) Recommend the revisions to the Combined Authority Board.
12	Treasury Management Strategy	This item was deferred.

13	Trading Companies	This item was deferred.
14	Work Programme	The work programme was noted. With regard to the deferred item on Trading Companies, there was a request for further information and background on the Combined Authority Board oversight of the subsidiaries as well as a list of the Board members for each Company.
15	Date of next meeting	The Committee would next meet on Friday, 28 January 2022 at 10:00 at Sand Martin House, Peterborough. This was a change of venue from East Cambridgeshire District Council, Ely.

Overview and Scrutiny Committee Decision Summary

Meeting: 25 October 2021

Agenda/Minutes: [Overview and Scrutiny Committee – 25 October 2021](#)

Chair: Cllr Lorna Dupré

Summary of decisions taken at this meeting

Item	Topic	Decision <i>[None of the decisions below are key decisions]</i>
1.	Apologies	Apologies were received from Cllr Rippeth, substituted by Cllr Fane. Apologies were received from Cllr Coles, Cllr Dew and Cllr Goldsack.
2.	Declarations of Interest	There were no declarations of interest.
3.	Minutes of the Previous Meeting	The minutes of the last meeting were agreed as an accurate record.
4.	Public Questions	There were no public questions received.
5.	Transport Update	The Mayor in his role as the Chair for Transport and Infrastructure Committee and the Transport Manager, provided the Overview and Scrutiny Committee with an update on the work being carried out by officers across the transport schemes requested by the committee.
6.	Confirmation of Lead Member Appointments	The Committee received the report which requested they confirm the appointment of the Lead Members for Housing, Skills and the Transport &

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		<p>Infrastructure Committees, the Business Board and Climate Change & Environment.</p> <p>The Committee agreed to;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Confirm the appointments of members to the roles of Lead Members for the Housing, Skills and the Transport & Infrastructure Committees, the Business Board and Climate Change & Environment b) b) Appoint Cllr Hay as the Rapporteur for the Bus Reform Review and Cllr Davey as the Rapporteur for the CAM.
7.	Overview and Scrutiny Arrangements Update	<p>The Committee received the report, which provided the Overview and Scrutiny Committee with an update on the work being carried out by officers in relation to the actions recommended by the Centre for Governance and Scrutiny.</p> <p>The Committee agreed to;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Note the Action Log from officers. b) Approve the Information Sharing Protocol. c) c) Note the feedback from the Combined Authority Board meeting.
8.	O&S Trading Companies – Terms of Reference	<p>The Committee received the draft terms of reference report in relation to the Committee’s role in scrutinising the Combined Authority’s trading companies, and highlighted the main points raised and issues identified in the report.</p> <p>The Committee agreed to;</p>

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		<p>a) Approve the terms of reference of the Committee in relation to the Combined Authority trading companies subject to the removal of part A as they found this sat within A&G Committee's terms of reference, and that part C be amended to state 'Review any matter within the Committee's power, pertaining to the Combined Authority's trading companies and any future activities of those trading companies.'</p>
9.	Topics for Mayor's Question Time	<p>The Committee received the report, which requested the Overview and Scrutiny Committee discuss and agree the topic of questions for the Mayor's Question Time scheduled for the 22nd November 2021.</p> <p>The Committee agreed the topics would be affordable housing and the Mayor's priorities.</p>
10.	Combined Authority Forward Plan	<p>The Committee received and noted the Forward Plan.</p>
11.	Overview and Scrutiny Work Programme	<p>The Committee received the report which requested the Committee discuss and make suggestions on the suggested work programme and review any scoping reviews that have been received by the Scrutiny Officer.</p> <p>The Committee agreed to;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) approve the work programme. b) note the additional date in March to accommodate the second Mayor's Question Time.

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		c) c) approved the scoping report for the Accommodation Strategy to be taken forward.
12.	Combined Authority Board Agenda	The Committee agreed that no questions should be asked at the CA Board meeting.
13.	Date and Time of Next Meeting	The next meeting of the Committee would be on Monday, 22 November 2021 11:00am at Sand Martin House, Peterborough.

Overview and Scrutiny Committee Decision Summary

Meeting: 22 November 2021

Agenda/Minutes: [Overview and Scrutiny Committee – 22 November 2021](#)

Chair: Cllr Lorna Dupré

Summary of decisions taken at this meeting

Item	Topic	Decision [<i>None of the decisions below are key decisions</i>]
1.	Apologies	Apologies received from Cllr M. Davey by Cllr S. Smith
2.	Declarations of Interest	There were no declarations of interest.
3.	Minutes of the Previous Meeting	The minutes of the last meeting were agreed as an accurate record.
4.	Mayor's Opening Statement	There were no public questions received.
5.	Questions to the Mayor from Members of the Committee	<p>The Chair referred the Committee to the pre-submitted questions for which the written responses had now been published on the website, which are available to view at Mayor's Questions and Responses.</p> <p>Supplementary questions were asked of the Mayor and he responded accordingly.</p>
6.	Closing Statement from the Mayor and Chair	Following the Mayor's contribution, the Chair opened discussion around areas that the Committee might wish for the work programme either in the short-, medium-, or longer-term or for future briefings. The following were raised as areas the Committee could consider moving forward:

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Domestic/commercial waste: delivering similar processes across all constituent authorities • Growth Ambition Statement: when the indicators are revealed the Committee to consider these • Affordable and Social Housing: the issue of developers not being accommodating to build such housing and developers not meeting their affordable housing targets; and the issue of funding from central government and the Mayor's ongoing discussions with the DLUHC • Retrofitting and insulation: the ability of the Mayor to push his authority downwards to constituent authorities to spend money on this; and support and advice for residents across all tenures • Flooding and water management: what influence can the Mayor bring to these with constituent authorities? • The Mayoral philosophy: reflecting on how the Committee understands the developing metrics and how these are applied to skills, transport, and housing
7.	Overview & Scrutiny Committee Work Programme	The two scoping documents presented to the meeting were noted. Cllr Atkins stated he would be presenting a complementary timeline to the Committee on the Climate Change scoping document.

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		<p>The Chair stated she would bring a report on the Devolution Deal to the next meeting of the Committee.</p> <p>Cllr Goldsack as rapporteur for the work on the Combined Authority's Accommodation Strategy agreed to prepare an update for the Committee's next meeting.</p>
8.	Date and Time of Next Meeting	<p>The next meeting of the Committee would be on Monday, 13 December 2021 at 11:00 at New Shire Hall, Alconbury.</p> <p>There was some discussion over the use of New Shire Hall as a future venue for Committee meetings as concern was raised to its accessibility for those travelling by public transport or active travel. It was agreed that the December meeting would remain at the venue but the scheduled Committee meetings in February and April be moved to alternative venues.</p>

Overview and Scrutiny Committee Decision Summary

Meeting: 13 December 2021

Agenda/Minutes: [Overview and Scrutiny Committee – 13 December 2021](#)

Chair: Cllr Lorna Dupré

Summary of decisions taken at this meeting

Item	Topic	Decision <i>[None of the decisions below are key decisions]</i>
1.	Apologies	Cllr M Goldsack, Cambridgeshire County Council, substituted by Cllr S Count Cllr S Corney, Huntingdonshire District Council substituted by Cllr E Butler.
2.	Declarations of Interest	Cllr D Baigent declared an interest as a member of the Cambridgeshire Cycling Campaign.
3.	Minutes of the Previous Meeting	The minutes of the last meeting were agreed as an accurate record.
4.	O&S Arrangements Update	<p>The Committee received the report from the Interim Head of Governance who provided an update to the Committee on the Overview and Scrutiny Committee arrangements.</p> <p>The Committee considered the Conflicts Protocol presented to them. Whilst there was some consensus on the need for such a protocol, there was agreement that, as presented, it should not be approved.</p> <p>It was agreed that the comments of Members be taken into account and a revised protocol be presented in the new year. The action log was noted, and Members were content with progress.</p>
5.	Draft Sustainable Growth Ambition Statement and 2022/23 Draft	The Committee received the report from the Chief Finance officer and Director for Delivery and Strategy.

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	Budget and Medium-term Financial Plan (MTFP) 2022 to 2026	<p>Following the comments of the Committee the Chair stated she would make representation to the Combined Authority Board on the lack of completeness on the budget as it goes out to public consultation.</p> <p>The Chief Finance Officer confirmed a formal note of the questions asked by the Committee and its comments would be part of the formal consultation process and that responses would be provided to the Committee at its meeting in January 2022.</p>
6.	Devolution Deal	<p>The Committee received the report from the Chair, Cllr Lorna Dupre. It was agreed to forward the report received by the Committee to the Combined Authority Board in its entirety to provide the Board with the opportunity to consider revisiting the Deal. It was agreed to frame a question on the Devolution Deal for the public Mayor's Question Time in March 2022.</p> <p>It was agreed to reconsider the Deal at the Committee on a six-monthly basis commencing in June 2022 so that the Committee might make recommendations to inform development.</p>
7.	Accommodation Strategy	<p>The Committee received the report from the rapporteur, Cllr Mark Goldsack in his absence.</p> <p>It was agreed to receive an update at the next meeting of the Committee with responses to these questions as well as receiving any additional information that will be, by then, known.</p>
8.	Combined Authority Forward Plan	<p>The Forward Plan was noted.</p> <p>As Lead Member for Skills Cllr Coles stated that any changes on who will be the lead officer for Skills in the new year will need to be reported to the Committee as soon as known.</p>
9.	Work Programme	<p>The Committee noted the work programme.</p>

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10.	Date and Time of Next Meeting	The next meeting of the Committee is on Monday, 24 January 2022 at 11:00 at Fenland Hall.

Combined Authority Board Decision Summary

Meeting: 27 October 2021

Agenda/Minutes: [Combined Authority Board - 27 October 2021](#)

Chair: Mayor Dr Nik Johnson

Summary of decisions taken at this meeting

Part 1 - Governance Items

1.1 Announcements, Apologies for Absence and Declarations of Interest

Apologies were received from Councillor Lewis Herbert, substituted by Councillor Martin Smart, and Councillor Chis Boden, substituted by Councillor Jan French.

There were no declarations of interest.

1.2 Minutes of the Combined Authority Board meeting on 29th September 2021

The minutes of the meeting on 29 September 2021 were approved as an accurate record, subject to some factual corrections in relation to comments attributed to Councillor Bailey.

1.3 Petitions

No petitions were received.

1.4 Public Questions

One public question was received. The question and written response (once published) can be viewed [here](#).

Part 2 – Combined Authority Decisions

2.1 Future Proposals for One CAM Ltd and Local Transport Plan Refresh

It was resolved to:

- a) Note progress on the Local Transport Plan (LTP) refresh;
- b) Provide feedback on the development of the Local Transport and Connectivity (LTCP) programme, outlining key areas to be addressed within the Soft Launch engagement, in relation to the overarching vision, aims and objectives as well as key challenges and opportunities;
- c) Note that the Transport and Infrastructure Committee has invited officers to review the relevance of the LTP CAM Sub-Strategy following a decision on the ONECAM SPV, and to report back to a future Transport and Infrastructure Committee;
- d) Permanently stop the development of the CAM programme and agree that One CAM Limited can permanently cease work; and
- e) Agree to a programme of initial public engagement for four weeks in November 2021, followed by a six-week consultation in January 2022 of the framework document, with the Final Plan delivered to Board March 2022 meeting.

In respect of One CAM LTD, to:

- a) Agree that the company be placed into dormancy, **followed by strike off from the register of companies**;
- b) Approve that the costs associated with the closure of One CAM Limited (as set out in this report) be met;
- c) Agree the remaining shareholders' funds repaid by One CAM Limited be returned to the Recycled Growth Fund as partial reimbursement for the Business Board's £995k investment in the project; and
- d) Agree to transfer funds from the Combined Authority's Capital Single Pot to the Recycled Growth Funds to reimburse any shortfall between the £995k invested by the Business Board and the shareholder's funds received by the Combined Authority from One CAM Limited.

2.2 Bus Service Reform

It was resolved to:

- a) Delegate authority to the Head of Transport, in consultation with the Chair of the Transport and Infrastructure Committee, the Monitoring Officer and the Chief Finance Officer, to submit the Authority's Bus Service Improvement Plan to the Department for Transport no later than 29th October 2021;
- b) Delegate authority to the Head of Transport, in consultation with the Chair of the Transport and Infrastructure Committee, the Monitoring Officer and the Chief Finance Officer, to progress at the earliest opportunity the designated BSIP activities should the funding from Department for Transport (DfT) be approved; and
- c) Approve public engagement on the Bus Reform proposals following completion of the independent audit of the Outline Business Case.

2.3 OxCam Arc Spatial Framework Position Statement

It was resolved to:

- a) Note the response to the government's consultation attached at Appendix 1;
- b) Note the issues raised by constituent authorities, parish councils and other respondents to the consultation in Cambridgeshire and Peterborough; and
- c) Mandate the Mayor, Lead Members and officers to engage proactively in discussions with government as it enters the next phase of developing its proposed spatial framework.

2.4 Strategic Water Issues

It was resolved to:

- a) Agree that the Combined Authority should send a senior representative to the Sponsor Group of the Future Fens Integrated Adaptation Initiative, and approve a financial contribution of £40,000 in 2021-22 from the Non-Strategic Spatial Framework budget line to support the initiative in developing a business case for investment in water management and climate change adaptation in the Fens;
- b) Agree that the Combined Authority should join the Water Resources East (WRE) Board and approve the expenditure of £7,500 in 2021-22 from the Non-Statutory Spatial Framework budget as a subscription to WRE membership; and
- c) Subject to recommendation (b) being approved, delegate authority to the Chief Executive to nominate a senior officer to represent the Combined Authority on the Water Resources East Board.

2.5 Net Zero Compliant Policies: Making an Immediate Difference

It was resolved to:

- a) **Endorse the proposed framework for an Action Plan as set out at Appendix 1, and ask the Climate Working Group to prepare by 28 February 2022, for subsequent consideration by the Board on 30 March 2022, a more ambitious, comprehensive and public friendly Action Plan setting out how the Combined Authority will take action to implement the recommendations of the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Independent Commission on Climate, or if agreement cannot be reached among partners by that time, to report on the outstanding issues; and thereafter, ensure an updated Action Plan is brought to the Board before the end of March each year.**
- b) Note the setting up of the Climate Working Group to bring partners together to provide system-wide leadership in implementing the wider elements of the Commission's recommendations;
- c) Mandate officers to take forward actions with CPCA budget implications through the Medium-Term Financial Plan refresh process and in line with the Assurance Framework requirements for expenditure decisions;
- d) Mandate officers to review the Assurance Framework and project management guidance to ensure that future Board decisions at project gateways can take into account evidence of their climate impact; and
- e) Mandate officers to prepare a procurement policy for consideration by the Board that would set out criteria for applying climate change considerations to the procurement of goods, services, and to future funding agreements with delivery partners. This policy to include:
 - a. appropriate scoring criteria for climate change in tendered goods and services;
 - b. any minimum standards to be applied for suppliers;
 - c. an assessment of impacts on supply chain.

2.6 OxCam Arc Environment Principles

It was resolved to:

Endorse the OxCam Arc Environment Principles.

Part 3 – Combined Authority Governance Reports

3.1 Annotated Forward Plan

It was resolved to:

Approve the annotated Forward Plan.

3.2 Appointment of Independent Persons

It was resolved to:

- a) Approve the appointment of David Pearl as the Independent Person for the Combined Authority for a four-year term; and
- b) Approve the appointment of Gillian Holmes as the reserve Independent Person for the Combined Authority for a four-year term.

3.2 Information Governance: Updated GDPR Policies

It was resolved to:

- a) Approve and adopt the new GDPR policies set out at Appendix 1 to 7; and
- b) Delegate authority to the Monitoring Officer to make consequential amendments to the GDPR policies as required.

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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Combined Authority Board Decision Summary

Meeting: 24 November 2021

Agenda/Minutes: [Combined Authority Board - 24 November 2021](#)

Chair: Mayor Dr Nik Johnson

Summary of decisions taken at this meeting

Part 1 - Governance Items

1.1 Announcements, Apologies for Absence and Declarations of Interest

Apologies for absence were received from Darryl Preston, Police and Crime Commissioner (substituted by John Peach, Deputy Police and Crime Commissioner) and Councillor Edna Murphy, Chair of the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Fire Authority.

There were no declarations of interest.

1.2 Minutes of the Combined Authority Board meeting on 27 October 2021

The minutes of the meeting on 27 October 2021 were approved as an accurate record and signed by the Mayor.

1.3 Petitions

No petitions were received.

1.4 Public Questions

One public question was received. The question and written response (once published) can be viewed here - [Public Question and Written Response](#)

Part 2 – Finance

2.1 Budget Monitor Report November 2021

It was resolved to:

- a) Note the financial position of the Combined Authority for the year to date.
- b) Approve the reinstatement of the £750k budget for Cambridge South Station.

2.2 Draft Sustainable Growth Ambition Statement and 2022-23 draft budget and medium-term financial plan 2022 to 2026

It was resolved to:

- a) Approve the Draft Sustainable Growth Ambition Statement for consultation.
- b) Approve the Draft Budget for 2022/23 and the Medium-Term Financial Plan 2022/23 to 2025/26 for consultation.
- c) Approve the timetable for consultation and those to be consulted.

Part 3 – Combined Authority Decisions

3.1 Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Independent Commission on Climate Full Report

It was resolved to:

- a) Thank the Commissioners for their work in developing the climate recommendations.
- b) Support the Commission's call for more devolved funding to implement the recommendations.
- c) Agree the development of actions to implement the CPCA recommendations in Appendix 2, subject to appropriate funding and business case assessments.
- d) Request the Climate Working Group consider the additional recommendations for other stakeholders in Appendix 3 as part of its work on the action plan due in February 2022.
- e) Note the recommendation on the future of the Commission and invite officers to develop revised terms of reference with the Chair of the Commission.

3.2 Capability Fund 2021-22 Grant Award

It was resolved to:

Approve the release of the Capability Fund grant from Department for Transport (DfT) to Peterborough City Council and Cambridgeshire County Council, as set out in Paragraph 3.1, to deliver against the bid the Combined Authority submitted in April 2021.

3.3 St Neots Future High Streets Fund Scheme - Combined Authority Co-Funding Business Case

It was resolved to:

- a) Accept the Business Case produced for Combined Authority match funding towards the St Neots Future High Streets Fund Scheme.
- b) Authorise the Chief Legal Officer and Monitoring Officer to complete the funding agreement with the grant recipient.

3.4 Market Towns Programme Investment Prospectus – Approval of recommended projects - November 2021

It was resolved to:

Approve project proposals received under the Market Towns Programme received from East Cambridgeshire District Council for the town of Ely to the sum of £344,000.

3.5 Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Business Growth Company Limited - Appointment of new Director

It was resolved to:

Consent to the appointment of Alan Downton, Deputy Chief Officer of the Business Board at the Cambridgeshire Peterborough Combined Authority, as a director of Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Business Growth Company Limited (Growth Co)

3.6 Community Renewal Fund Award

It was resolved to:

- a) Note the award of £3,393,851 from Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities (DLUHC) jointly with Department for Work and Pensions (DWP) in relation to the Community Renewal Fund
- b) Following acceptance of the grant, delegate authority to the Director of Business and Skills in consultation with the Chief Finance Officer and Monitoring Officer to enter into grant funding agreements on behalf of the Combined Authority with the two approved providers.

By recommendation to the Combined Authority Board

Part 4 – Transport and Infrastructure Committee recommendations to the Combined Authority Board

4.1 March Area Transport Study Outline Business Case

It was resolved to:

Approve the drawdown of **£1.51** million for production of the Full Business Case and detailed design.

4.2 A1260 Nene Parkway Junction 15

It was resolved to:

- a) Approve the Full Business Case.

- b) Approve an allocation of £3.014m from its capital reserves to increase the current subject to approval budget from £5m to the forecast construction cost of £8.014m.
- c) Approve the total £8.014m for the construction phase of the project including the re-profiling of the project budget.

Part 5 – Skills Committee recommendations to the Combined Authority Board

5.1 Adult Education Budget Commissioning Approach and Statement for 2022-23 onwards

It was resolved to:

- a) Approve the proposed commissioning approach for the devolved Adult Education Budget from 2022-23 academic year onwards, to procure Independent Training Providers under contracts for services for up to £3m per year, subject to Department for Education (DfE) awarding the funding.
- b) Approve the implementation of three-year Plan-Led Funding, for the commissioning of Further Education Colleges and Local Authorities, operating under grant funding, from 2022-23 academic year onwards, subject to DfE funding awards.
- c) Delegate authority to the Director of Business and Skills in consultation with the Chief Finance Officer and Monitoring Officer, to enter into multi-year grant funding agreements with providers on behalf of the Combined Authority, following approval of three-year Plans
- d) Delegate authority to the Director of Business and Skills in consultation with the Chief Finance Officer and Monitoring Officer, to enter into contracts for services with Independent Training Providers on behalf of the Combined Authority, following conclusion of the commissioning process outlined in this report.

Part 6 – Business Board recommendations to the Combined Authority Board

6.1 Strategic Funding Management Review November 2021 and Project Change Request

It was resolved to:

- a) Approve the project change request for the University of Peterborough Phase 2 Car Park infrastructure project.
- b) Approve the proposed strategy for investing Business Board recycled funds, and for **the Monitoring Officer** to make any relevant changes to the Local Assurance Framework.

6.2 Agri-Tech Sector Strategy

It was resolved to:

Approve the adoption of the Agri-Tech Sector Strategy/ Action Plan.

6.3 Business Board Annual Report 2020-21

It was resolved to:

- a) Note the Business Board Annual Report 2020-2021.
- b) Note the need for further funding beyond the current allocation for the Annual Report to develop the Business Board microsite, and the intention to request a virement from the forecast underspend on the Business Board Effectiveness Review to meet this need.

Part 7 – Governance Reports

7.1 Combined Authority Committee Membership Changes and Business Board Substitutes November 2021

It was resolved to:

- a) Ratify the appointment by Fenland District Council of Councillor Samantha Hoy as its substitute member on the Housing Committee for the remainder of the municipal year 2021/2022.
- b) Ratify the appointment by East Cambs District Council of Councillor Ian Bovingdon as its member on the Transport and Infrastructure Committee for the remainder of the municipal year 2021/2022.
- c) Approve the reappointment of the nominated substitute member for the Mayor and Lead Member for Economic Growth for the Business Board (**Councillor Anna Bailey**).
- d) Note the appointment by Peterborough City Council of Councillor Amjad Iqbal as one of its members on the Overview and Scrutiny Committee for the remainder of the municipal year 2021/2022.

7.2 Annotated Forward Plan

It was resolved to approve the Forward Plan.

7.3 Performance Report

It was resolved to:

Note the latest Performance Dashboard

Notes:

- c) Statements in **bold type** indicate additional resolutions or changes to published recommendations made at the meeting.
- d) 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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