



Any key decision/s set below will come into force and may be implemented after 5.00pm on the fifth clear working day after publication of the decision, unless they are called-in [see note on call in below], with the exception of any key decision on a matter dealt with under the special urgency provisions set out in the Constitution which may be implemented immediately.

<b>3</b>	<b>Minutes of the previous meeting</b>
	The minutes of the meeting on 21 October 2024 were approved as an accurate record.  The Action Log was noted by the Committee.
<b>6</b>	<b>Director's Highlight Report</b>
	<u>RESOLVED</u> A. To note the report
<b>7</b>	<b>CPCA's Wider Outcomes Framework</b>
	<u>RESOLVED:</u> A. To note the update on CPCA's Wider Outcomes Framework (Phases Two and Three) which is designed to more effectively evidence the impact of learning beyond training 'completions' and achieving qualifications.
<b>8</b>	<b>Youth Forum for the Youth Guarantee Trailblazer</b>
	<u>RESOLVED:</u> A. To approve the establishment of a Youth Forum (age 16-21) that will ensure the young person's voice is embedded into plans for the delivery of the Youth Guarantee Trailblazer.
<b>9</b>	<b>Further Education Cold Spots</b>
	<u>RESOLVED:</u> A. To note the progress made towards the establishment of a Skills Capital Grant Funding opportunity to resolve the FE Cold Spots identified by the Combined Authority. B. To recommend to the Combined Authority Board the approval of the proposed Grant Funding approach to spend the £4.5m Capital Investment. C. To recommend to the Combined Authority Board the delegation to the Assistant Director of Skills and Employment, in consultation with the Chief Finance Officer and Monitoring Officer, to enter into grant funding agreements with selected providers on behalf of the Combined Authority.
<b>10</b>	<b>Adult Skills Commissioning Strategy</b>
	<u>RESOLVED</u> The Skills and Employment Committee resolved to recommend to the Combined Authority Board the: A. Approval of the proposed Adult Skills Commissioning Strategy 2025-2028 B. Approval of implementing three-year plan-led grant funding agreements for FE Colleges and Local Authorities and the WEA subject to DfE funding for the period 2025 – 2028. C. Approval of the procurement of Independent Training Providers (ITPs) under contracts for services, subject to DfE funding. D. Approval for contracts for services to be issued over 3 years (2025 – 2028) to bring them in line with grant funding agreements and support sustainability and capacity building within the sector.

	E. Delegation to the Assistant Director for Skills & Employment, in consultation with the Chief Finance Officer and Monitoring Officer, to enter into multi-year grant funding agreements and contracts for services for the Adult Skills Fund and Free Courses for Jobs Fund on behalf of the Combined Authority.
<b>11</b>	<b>Work Programme</b>
	<u>RESOLVED:</u> A. To note the Committee's Work Programme.

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, except for any key decision on a matter dealt with under the special urgency provisions set out in the Constitution which may be implemented immediately.