

COMBINED AUTHORITY BOARD

WEDNESDAY, 5 JUNE 2024 - AGM

Venue:	ARU Peterborough, Bishop's Road, Peterborough, PE1 5BW					
Time:	10.00 am to 10.10am					
Present:	Dr Nik Johnson	Mayor				
	Councillor Chris Boden	Fenland District Council				
	Councillor Sarah Conboy	Huntingdonshire District Council				
	Councillor Dennis Jones	Peterborough City Council				
	Councillor Lucy Nethsingha	Cambridgeshire County Council Cambridge City Council				
	Councillor Anna Smith					
	Councillor Bridget Smith	South Cambridgeshire District Council				
	Nitin Patel	Vice Chair of the Business Board				
Co-Opted Members:	John O'Brien	Integrated Care Board				
	Councillor Edna Murphy	Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Fire Authority				
Apologies:	Councillor Anna Bailey	East Cambridgeshire District Council				
	Darryl Preston	Police and Crime Commissioner				
	Al Kingsley	Chair of the Business Board				

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Announcements, Apologies for absence and Declarations of Interest

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Anna Bailey, Darryl Preston and Al Kingsley (Nitin Patel substituting).

There were no declarations of interest.

2 Minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes of the meeting on 20 March 2024 were approved as an accurate record.

The Action Log was noted.

3 Membership of the Combined Authority

On being proposed by the Mayor, seconded by Councillor Lucy Nethsingha, it was resolved unanimously to:

- A Note the Members and substitute Members appointed by constituent councils to the Combined Authority for the municipal year 2024-25 (Appendix A)
- B Confirm that the following bodies be given co-opted member status for the municipal year 2024/25:
 - The Police and Crime Commissioner for Cambridgeshire.
 - · Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Fire Authority.
 - Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Integrated Care Board.
- C Note the named representative and substitute representative for each organisation as set out in the report.
- D Agree that any late notifications of appointments to the Monitoring Officer shall take immediate effect.

4 Appointments to Thematic Committees, Committee Chairs and Lead Members

On being proposed by the Mayor, seconded by Councillor Anna Smith, it was resolved unanimously to:

- A Note and agree the Mayor's nominations to Lead Member responsibilities and the membership of the committees including the Chairs of committees for 2024/25 as set out in Appendix A
- B Note the Committee Members and substitute Members appointed by constituent councils to the Combined Authority for the municipal year 2024/25 (Appendix B).
- C Note and agree the Membership for the HR Committee for 2024/25 (Appendix C)
- D Note and agree the Membership for the Investment Committee for 2024/25 (Appendix D)
- E Note that Audit and Governance members and Overview & Scrutiny members can attend Investment Committee as observers.

5 Appointment of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee

On being proposed by the Mayor, seconded by Councillor Bridget Smith, it was resolved unanimously to

- A Confirm that the size of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee should be 14 members; two members from each constituent council and two substitute members for the municipal year 2024/25.
- B To agree the political balance on the committee as set out in Appendix A.
- C Confirm the appointment of the Member and substitute Member nominated by constituent councils to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee for the municipal year 2024/25 as set out in Appendix B.
- D Approve the co-option of an independent member from a Constituent Council to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee and delegations given to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee to appoint the co-optee.

6 Appointment of the Audit and Governance Committee

On being proposed by the Mayor, seconded by Councillor Sarah Conboy, it was resolved unanimously to:

- A Confirm that the size of the Audit and Governance Committee should be eight members; one member and one substitute from each Constituent Council and one independent person.
- B To agree the political balance on the committee as set out in Appendix A.
- C Confirm the appointment of the Member and substitute Member nominated by constituent councils to the Committee for the municipal year 2024/25 as set out in Appendix B.
- D Appoint the Independent Person, Mr John Pye as Chair for the municipal year 2024/25 and delegate the election of the Vice Chair to the Audit and Governance Committee.
- E Raise the remuneration for the role of the Independent Person as the Chair of the committee on a pro-rated basis, to reflect the increased activity of the committee, to £4289 per annum.
- F Approve the appointment of David Harwood as the second Independent Person for the Audit & Governance Committee for a term of four years ending May 2028.
- G Raise the remuneration for the role of the Independent Person of the committee on a pro-rated basis, to reflect the increased activity of the committee, to £3068 per annum.

7 Calendar of Meetings

Members discussed the timing of the January 2025 Combined Authority Board meeting with officers, querying whether the earlier date gives sufficient time for consultation and emphasising the need for early conversations with constituent authorities.

It was resolved unaimously to:

A Approve the amended calendar of meetings for the 2024/25 Municipal Year, as set out in Appendix A.

Wednesday, 5th June, 2024

Chairman at the meeting on Wednesday, 5 June 2024