

**CAMBRIDGESHIRE AND PETERBOROUGH COMBINED AUTHORITY –
MEMBERSHIP AND OTHER APPOINTMENTS**

<i>To:</i>	Annual Council
<i>Meeting Date:</i>	29 April 2021
<i>From:</i>	Chief Executive
<i>Purpose:</i>	This report requests the Council to make appointments to the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority for the municipal year 2021/22.
<i>Recommendation:</i>	That full Council authorises the Chief Executive to appoint the Leader of Council to act as the Council's appointee to the Combined Authority and the Deputy Leader to act as the substitute member, and to make appointments to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee and the Audit and Governance Committee, in consultation with the Political Group Leaders, in accordance with the political balance calculations to be provided by the Combined Authority.

1. BACKGROUND

- 1.1. In accordance with the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority Order 2017, each Constituent Council must appoint one of its elected members and a substitute member to the Combined Authority each year. This is normally the Leader. However, as this Council's Annual Council meeting has been brought forward to enable it still to take place remotely, the meeting will take place before the Combined Authority (CA) Mayoral election on 6 May 2021 and before the CA Proportionality Calculations can be produced, as a number of the constituent authorities also have elections taking place on 6 May.

Non-Executive Committees

- 1.2 The Combined Authorities (Overview and Scrutiny Committees, Access to Information and Audit Committees) Order 2016 requires the Combined Authority to establish an Overview and Scrutiny Committee and an Audit Committee. The Order sets out the rules for membership. The membership of the Overview and Scrutiny and the Audit Committees as a whole should reflect so far as reasonably practicable the balance of political parties of the constituent councils when taken together. The balance is based on membership of political parties, not political groups, on constituent councils across Cambridgeshire and Peterborough.

2. CONCLUSION

- 2.1 All appointments and nominations made by constituent councils will be reported to the Combined Authority's Annual Meeting on 2 June 2021.
- 2.2 The political balance calculations will be based on up to date statistics given by constituent councils and take account of the outcome of constituent council elections on 6 May 2021.

- 2.3 If there are consequential changes to the overall political balance, the Combined Authority may need to review the membership and the allocation of seats to political parties on the above committees. The CA Monitoring Officer will advise constituent councils if any subsequent changes are necessary, and of the number and political party that nominations are required from for each constituent authority.

3. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS/EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

- 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. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 These are set out in the report. The Combined Authorities (Overview and Scrutiny Committees, Access to Information and Audit Committees) Order 2016 requires a combined authority to ensure that the members of the committee taken as a whole reflect so far as reasonably practicable the balance of political parties for the time being prevailing among members of the constituent councils when taken together.

Background Documents	Contact Officer
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