



THE BUSINESS BOARD

BUSINESS BOARD	AGENDA ITEM No: 1.1
30 APRIL 2018	PUBLIC REPORT

INTERIM MEMBERSHIP OF BUSINESS BOARD AND APPOINTMENT OF INTERIM CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR

1. PURPOSE

- 1.1. The Business Board are asked to formally agree the interim membership of the Business Board for recommendation to the Combined Authority Board and to appoint a Chair and Vice Chair.

<u>DECISION REQUIRED</u>	
Lead Member:	Councillor Charles Roberts, Chair of the Business Board and Economic Growth Portfolio Holder of the Combined Authority
Lead Officer:	Kim Sawyer, Legal Counsel and Monitoring Officer
Forward Plan Ref: N/A	Key Decision: No
The Business Board is recommended to : (a) Agree the interim membership of the Business Board as follows: 1) Two private sector members 2) Four public sector members (b) Subject to (a) above, 1) to appoint Professor Andy Neely as a private sector member 2) to appoint the following as public sector members: a. James Palmer, Mayor of the Combined Authority b. Councillor Charles Roberts c. Councillor Lance Stanbury d. Councillor Wayne Fitzgerald (c) Appoint an interim Chair and Vice Chair of the	Voting arrangements Simple majority of all Members

Business Board.	
The Combined Authority Board will be asked to ratify the decisions of the Business Board.	

2. BACKGROUND

2.1. The shadow board at its earlier meeting agreed the interim membership should be

- (a) two private sector and
- (b) two public sector.

2.2. It also appointed Councillor Roberts, Economic Growth Portfolio Holder of the Combined Authority as Chair,

2.3. It was recognised that due to the timeframes involved, and the need to ensure the Business Board is constituted for 1st April, it would not be feasible to undertake a formal recruitment exercise, and as such it would be necessary to simply appoint short term representatives. In doing so, it was recognised that:

a) Where possible, members of the former GCGPEP should not be appointed to the Shadow Board, to avoid any conflict between their role on the existing LEP;

b) It may be necessary for the shadow board members to “default” on to the new Business Board itself, but in the longer term, they would need to formally apply in the same way as other board members.

2.4. The Board are asked to agree an interim membership as follows

Two Private Sector Members	Professor Andy Neely	Pro-Vice Chancellor, Enterprise and Business Relations	Cambridge University
	To be confirmed		
Four Public Sector Members	James Palmer	Mayor	Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority
	Councillor Charles Roberts	Economic Growth Portfolio Holder	Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority
	Councillor Lance Stanbury	Cabinet Member for Planning & Growth	Forest Heath District Council / West Suffolk Council
	Councillor Wayne Fitzgerald,	Deputy Leader	Peterborough City Council

2.5. The membership would be reviewed following the conclusion of the recruitment of the private sector members: The Board are asked to appoint a chair and vice chair from the membership of the Business Board.

3. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1. There are no financial implications

4. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

4.1. The Devolution Deal stated that the Mayor will be a member of the LEP, alongside the other members of the Combined Authority, recognising the importance of the LEP role and the private sector in growth strategies or delivery.(Page 7).

5. SIGNIFICANT IMPLICATIONS

5.1 None at this stage

6. APPENDICES

6.1. None

<u>Source Documents</u>
List background papers: Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Devolution Deal https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/600239/Cambridgeshire_and_Peterborough_Devolution_Deal.pdf