



COMBINED AUTHORITY BOARD - WEDNESDAY, 15TH JULY, 2026

We are now able to enclose, for consideration at next Wednesday, 15th July, 2026 meeting of the Combined Authority Board, the following documents that were unavailable when the agenda was published.

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9.	<u>Appointment to Outside Bodies</u> (Pages 3 - 6)
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Combined Authority Board

15 July 2026

Title:	Appointment to Outside Bodies
Report of:	Matt Cumberbatch, Director Legal and Governance and Monitoring Officer
Public Report:	Yes
Key Decision:	No
Voting Arrangements:	Simple majority of voting members

Recommendations:

A	That Board approve the appointment of the Mayor as the CPCA representative on the Greater Cambridge Development Corporation Board.
B	To note that members appointed to external bodies provide updates to the CPCA Board at intervals agreed by the CPCA Board.

Strategic Objective(s):

The report improves the CPCA's corporate governance framework and helps to protect the interests of the CPCA and promote best value.

1. Purpose

1.1	To appoint representatives to outside bodies
1.2	To be made aware of decision making in the outside bodies appointed to, all members appointed to outside bodies will keep the CPCA Board informed of decision making, relevant issues and general updates.

2. Proposal

2.1	To appoint the Mayor as the CPCA representative on the Greater Cambridge Development Corporation Board.
2.2	To require that members appointed to outside bodies provide a report to the CPCA Board at regular intervals, the period which will be agreed by the CPCA Board

3. Background

3.1	Making appointments to outside bodies is the responsibility of the CPCA Board: <u>An outside body</u> This is either an incorporated or an unincorporated body which is not part of the CPCA's own governance structure but whose work helps in some way towards fulfilling the CPCA's own responsibilities and/or improving community life in the area of Cambridgeshire & Peterborough. The term embraces a diverse range of organisational purposes and structures. Outside bodies are categorised as either strategic, locality / ward-based or general in nature. Members appointed by the CPCA Board to an outside body will, when sitting on that body, often have duties to the organisation which take precedence over their duties to the CPCA. This will depend on the type of organisation on which they serve. Members will therefore wish to consider at any time when it appears that the organisation's interests may conflict with the CPCA's interests, whether that conflict prevents them from taking part in decision-making either at the organisation's meeting or at the CPCA's meeting. In such circumstances the Member should seek advice from the Monitoring Officer.
3.2	The Appointments to Outside Bodies Protocol was approved by the Combined Authority Board at its meeting on 24 July 2024 and is published within the Constitution as Annex 12.
3.2	Greater Cambridge Development Corporation The Development Corporation is being established to drive forward the long-term regeneration, investment and development ambitions for the designated area, providing a dedicated governance and delivery vehicle with the powers and focus needed to accelerate growth, infrastructure delivery and place-making. The Corporation will bring together key stakeholders to support the coordinated planning and implementation of projects that contribute to economic growth, housing delivery and wider public benefit across the region. Subject to the successful completion of the parliamentary process, the Development Corporation is expected to be formally established on 23 July 2026. The Board is requested to approve the appointment of the Mayor to the Board of the Development Corporation, subject to the formal issuance of appointment letters. It is anticipated that these steps will be completed in time for Board members to take up their positions upon establishment of the Corporation, although this remains subject to the parliamentary timetable. Approval of this appointment will enable the Combined Authority to be appropriately represented within the governance arrangements of the Development Corporation from its inception and support effective strategic alignment between the two organisations.
3.3	Alternative options: Not to appoint. This option would not provide best value to the CPCA and its residents.

4. Appendices

4.1	None
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5. Implications

Financial Implications	
5.1	None
Legal Implications	
5.2	Chapter 5 of the CPCA constitution confirms that it is the role of the CA Board to confirm member appointments to outside bodies for the municipal year

Public Health Implications	
5.3	None
Environmental & Climate Change Implications	
5.4	None
Other Significant Implications	
5.5	None
Background Papers	
5.6	None

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