

ELECTRONIC BOARD DECISION: WRITTEN RESOLUTION REGARDING EXECUTIVE CHAIRMAN

For decision:

1. To agree the proposed written resolution following the GCGP LEP Board meeting that took place on 6th June 2017 to more clearly articulate the next steps relating to the Executive Chairman's role, as set out in Point 2 below.

Background:

1. The minutes of the GCGP LEP Board Meeting that took place on 6th June 2017 state:

Mark Reeve stated that the key requirement for the LEP was to continue to manage its business in the immediate term led by the three senior managers. The Board then discussed the need for a single Leader during this time, in addition to the Senior Executive Team, and suggested that MR consider taking on an Executive Chair role. Cllr Count expressed his concern at a proposal made in the meeting that the Chairman should become Executive Chairman on an interim basis rather than appointing an external interim Chief Executive.

Mark Reeve confirmed that he would be prepared to continue as Executive Chairman on an interim basis pending the appointment of a Chief Executive that would follow due process led by a Remunerations and Nominations Committee.

At this stage, Mark Reeve left the meeting and David Gill assumed the Chair.

John Bridge proposed that Mark Reeve be appointed Executive Chairman of the LEP until the end of 2017. Seconded by Trevor Ellis.

All Directors voted in favour of this proposal with Cllr Count voting against the proposal.

2. Board Members are asked to agree the following additional clarification to this agreement to better capture the next steps as follows:
 - *The Nominations & Remuneration Committee shall further consider the appointment of an Executive Chairman, including reviewing the scope of the role, ensuring that a formal written proposal is brought to a future Board Meeting (should they wish to make such a recommendation).*
 - *That the Executive Team will liaise with DCLG Officials in advance to ensure that any proposal to make such an appointment meets Government's expectations of LEPs.*

Outcome:

The LEP Board voted in favour of this written resolution and it was therefore officially agreed on 18th August 2017. Please note - Mark Reeve declared an interest in this item and did not cast a vote.

The written resolution and the associated outcome will be formally reported at the next LEP Board meeting.