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## **Decision Statement**

**Meeting:** 28th March 2018

**Published:** 29th March 2018

**Decision review deadline:** 5.00p.m. on 9th April 2018

Each decision set out below will come into force, and may then be implemented at 5.00pm on the fifth full working day after the publication date, unless it is subject of a decision review. [see note on call in below].

<b>Item</b>	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Decision</b>
	<b>Part 1 – Governance Items</b>	
1.1	Apologies and Declarations of Interest	<p><b>Apologies received from Councillor C Seaton (Councillor D Mason substituting), Councillor K Reynolds (Councillor J Peach substituting), and Jess Bawden (Dr G Howsam substituting)</b></p> <p><b>Councillor Roberts declared a non-statutory disclosable interest under the Code of Conduct in relation to Item 2.7, as a Director of the East Cambridgeshire Trading Company. He did not take part in the debate or vote.</b></p> <p><b>The Chief Executive also declared a non-statutory disclosable interest under the Code of Conduct in relation to Item 2.8, as a Director of Greater Cambridgeshire Greater Peterborough Local Enterprise Partnership.</b></p>

Item	Topic	Decision
1.2	Minutes – 28 February 2018	<p>It was resolved to:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">approve the minutes of the meeting of 28th February 2018 as a correct record.</p>
1.3	Petitions	None received.
1.4	Public Questions	None received.
1.5	Forward Plan	<p>It was resolved to:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">approve the Forward Plan of Executive Decisions dated to be published on 26 March 2018.</p>
<b>Part 2 – Key Decisions</b>		
2.1	Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Strategic Spatial Framework (Non Statutory)	<p>It was resolved to:</p> <p>(a) Approve this first phase of the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Strategic Spatial Framework (Non Statutory).</p> <p>(b) Note the intention of the Portfolio Holder for Strategic Planning to bring a report to the Board in June scoping proposals for the status, approach and resources needed to deliver the next phase of the Framework to 2050.</p> <p>The Mayor agreed to</p> <p>(c) exercise his general power of competence to publish the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Strategic Spatial Framework following a vote of unanimous consent <b>subject to including the minor amendments raised at the meeting.</b></p>
2.2	Transport Delivery 2018/19	<p>It was resolved to:</p> <p>a) Agree a total budget allocation of £18.305m, comprising £16.13m in 2018/19 and £2.18m in 2019/20 for the rolling programme of priority transport and infrastructure.</p>

		<p>schemes.</p> <p>b) Note the £6.65m funding secured from the National Productivity Investment Funding for 2018/19 which was included within the total budget allocation.</p> <p>c) Agree the pipeline of projects set out in the multi-year transport programme.</p> <p>d) Authorise the Chief Executive to delegate responsibility and budget for the production of feasibility studies, business case or designs for each of the projects within the multi-year transport programme to a delivery partner, provided that all such studies, business cases and designs are to be reported back to the Combined Authority Board for approval.</p>
2.3	Digital Connectivity Infrastructure: Improving Mobile Coverage and increasing the full fibre footprint across Cambridgeshire and Peterborough	<p>It was resolved to:</p> <p>(a) Note the digital infrastructure and mobile coverage in Cambridgeshire and Peterborough and endorse the vision for the Mayoral Combined Authority to be a leading area for digital connectivity.</p> <p>(b) Approve in principle a budget of up to £5.66m to support the extension of the Connecting Cambridgeshire programme.</p> <p>(c) Authorise the Chief Executive, in consultation with the Mayor, to approve the business case and draw-down of funds in accordance with the approved business case relating to improvements to mobile coverage and the full fibre footprint for Cambridgeshire and Peterborough.</p> <p>(d) Delegate to the Director of Strategy and Planning authority to approve the programme reporting and delivery arrangements in partnership with Cambridgeshire County Council and the other Combined Authority Constituent Councils.</p>
2.4	University of Peterborough – Interim Accommodation Options	<p>It was resolved to approve:</p> <p>Option 3 (recommended option): Allocate a budget of £9.74m to base all facilities on the Embankment development site, <b>subject to the Combined Authority</b></p>

		<b>seeking security over the future assets of the University of Peterborough with a view to recycling funding.</b> This is a single site solution.
2.5	£70M Cambridge City Devolution Housing Programme	<p>It was resolved to:</p> <p>(a) Note the progress in year 1 of the programme <b>and approve funding for the year 1 schemes of £971,216.</b></p> <p>(b) Note the forward pipeline.</p> <p>(c) Agree to receive further quarterly progress reports.</p> <p>(d) Note the arrangements for a Strategic Partnership Agreement with Cambridge City Council as the Combined Authority's delivery partner for the £70m programme.</p>
2.6	£100M Affordable Housing Programme	<p>It was resolved to:</p> <p>(a) Note the progress of the Phase 1 housing scheme approvals agreed by the Board in July 2017.</p> <p>(b) Note the forward pipeline of affordable housing schemes, including emerging strategic sites.</p> <p>(c) Commit grant funding of £3.66m for the next Phase 2 of affordable housing schemes <b>subject to the terms of the grant agreement being agreed between the Section 151 officer and the Portfolio Holder for Fiscal Strategy.</b></p> <p>(d) Agree to receive further progress reports on a quarterly basis.</p> <p>(e) <b>Agree that the grant conditions be reviewed generally by the Legal Counsel and Section 151 officer, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Fiscal Strategy.</b></p>

2.7	East Cambridgeshire Strategic Community Land Trust (CLT) Programme – Provision of Loan Facility	<p>It was resolved to:</p> <p>(a) Approve the provision of a commercial loan facility capped at £6.5m from the £100m Housing Programme for a period of two years to East Cambs Trading Company Ltd for the CLT scheme at West End Gardens, Haddenham. Approval was subject to completion of the business case, due diligence and agreement of loan terms <b>including security over the loan or assets, step in rights and/parent guarantee from East Cambs District Council</b> to the satisfaction of the Chief Executive, Monitoring Officer and Section 151 Officer <b>in consultation with the Mayor and the Portfolio Holder for Fiscal Strategy.</b></p> <p>(b) Authorise the Chief Executive to bring forward detailed proposals and the business case to the next Board meeting for the provision of a ten year £40m commercial loan facility capped at £40m to fund the East Cambs Strategic CLT Programme.</p>
2.8	The Business Board and Business Transfer Agreement (from the Greater Cambridge Greater Peterborough Local Enterprise Partnership)	<p>It was resolved to:</p> <p>(a) Agree the vision of how the new Business Board would operate.</p> <p>(b) Agree in principle the Business Transfer Agreement between the Greater Cambridgeshire Greater Peterborough Local Enterprise Partnership to the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority.</p> <p>(c) Ratify the commitment of £400,000 in cash to the GCGP LEP which was made by the Mayor on the 20 March 2018 in order to ensure a successful winding up of the GCGP LEP company.</p> <p>(d) Agree the longer-term indemnity around the GCGP LEP liabilities as set out in the attached side letter.</p> <p>(e) Agree that Legal Counsel and the Section 151 Officer could make any required changes and sign-off on the final fund amount (Schedule 1) in the Accountable Body Transitional Agreement.</p> <p>(f) Agree that any final insubstantial amendments that were required prior to signing</p>

		<p>the Business Transfer Agreement, Deed of Indemnity and Authorised Body Transitional Agreement could be made by the Legal Counsel, in consultation with the Mayor as portfolio holder for governance.</p> <p>(g) Agree that the Legal Counsel be authorised to sign the Business Transfer Agreement, Deed of Indemnity and Authorised Body Transitional Agreement for and on behalf of the Combined Authority</p>
	<b>Part 3 – Non Key Decision</b>	
3.1	Market Town Masterplans for Growth	<p>It was resolved to:</p> <p>(a) Note the proposed principles and role of Market Town Masterplans for Growth as set out in this report</p> <p>(b) Approve the sum of £50,000 to develop a Masterplan for each of the nine market towns (total budget of £450,000)</p> <p>(c) Note that each Masterplan was to be reported to a subsequent Combined Authority Board for approval</p> <p>(d) Note the collaborative arrangements of a Partnership Team with the relevant District Council to develop and subsequently lead the Masterplans</p>
	<b>Part 4 – Date of Next Meeting</b>	
4.1	Date of Next Meeting	It was resolved to note the date of the next meeting – Wednesday, 30 May 2018 Fenland District Council, Fenland Hall, County Road, March PE15 8NQ

**Notes:**

- (a) Statements in bold type indicate additional resolutions made at the meeting.
- (b) Five Members of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee may call-in a key decision of the Mayor, the Combined Authority Board or an Officer for scrutiny by notifying the Monitoring Officer.

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