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<b>OFFICER DECISION TITLE:</b> <b>National Evaluation Framework</b>
<b>NAME OF OFFICER EXERCISING DELEGATED POWERS:</b> <b>CHIEF EXECUTIVE</b>
<b>DATE OF OFFICER DECISION: 23 October 2017</b>

Responsible Director:	<i>Martin Whiteley, Chief Executive</i>
Is this a public report? If a key decision, it will be a public report and will be published on the CA website.	
Does the report have any annex that contains exempt information?	No

Decision taken	<p><i>Please provide an overview of the decision taken.</i></p> <p>The Chief Executive agreed to contribute to the collective costs of eleven localities which are in receipt of devolution, growth and city deal funding and who need to implement a monitoring and evaluation process. Greater Manchester Combined Authority has a contract in place with an organisation called SQW to set up a Local Growth Initiatives national evaluation panel under a national call-off framework. The first phase of the work is to develop an agreed national framework on which monitoring and evaluation can be delivered at a local level, then to translate the national framework into 'tailored' local frameworks that will feed in to the five year gateway review process that is a condition of these funding deals.</p> <p>Transport for Greater Manchester have requested each locality involved in the work to contribute £30.6k for the Combined Authority's contribution to phase 1 of the development of a National Evaluation Framework and the Local Growth Initiatives National Evaluation Panel (1/11th of the overall cost).</p> <p>There may be additional costs for further planned work, but these are not known at present.</p>
Authorisation ( <i>delete as appropriate</i> )	This decision has been taken under delegated authority of the Chief Executive. The Chief Executive is delegated authority to take decisions up to £500K subject to any such decisions being reported to the next Board meeting of the Combined Authority.
Background Information	<p><i>Give details of background information</i></p> <p>Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority (CPCA) have</p>



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	<p>committed to 'an extensive programme of evaluation' as part of its Devolution Deal and is developing an evaluation and monitoring process to assist understanding of the impact of decentralised arrangements as well as assess the impact of its own deal.</p>
Alternative options considered.	<p><i>List alternative options considered and rejected and the reasons for rejection. Do not leave this section blank or put 'None'. There is always an alternative even if it is to do nothing.</i></p> <p>This work is fundamental to the strategic objectives of the Combined Authority and will enable it to achieve the requirements of the devolution deal signed with Government in June 2016.</p> <p>CPCA could develop its own local framework for evaluation and monitoring, but this is an opportunity to take advantage of economies of scale and independent expertise that comes with participation in a National scheme.</p>
Consultation	<p><i>List any relevant consultation undertaken in relation to the decision. For example portfolio holders, other Chief Officers.</i></p> <p>The decision will be reported to the next meeting of the Board as part of the Budget update report.</p>
Declarations / Conflicts of Interests (only if the decision falls under the 'Express Authorisation' category)	<p><i>List the names of any member who has been consulted on and declared an interest in relation to the decision.</i></p>
Supporting documentation	<p><i>List any supporting documentation available in relation to this decision (all of this information must be retained for public inspection for a period of at least 4 years – there is no provision for the release of exempt/confidential information).</i></p> <p>Combined Authority Board meeting report 25 October 2017</p>

<b>Officer signature</b>	Martin Whiteley	<b>Date</b> <b>23/10/17</b>
<p><b><i>Once signed please file in the electronic file Documents/Governance/ office decision notice and enter details in the register.</i></b></p> <p><b><i>If a public report, pass to Democratic Services and we will arrange publication.</i></b></p>		