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OFFICER DECISION TITLE: Fenlands UNESCO Biosphere and Parks & Open Spaces Trust
NAME OF OFFICER EXERCISING DELEGATED POWERS: Chief Executive
DATE OF OFFICER DECISION: 19 March 2018

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.	No
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 engage Natural Cambridgeshire to develop an Outline Business Case for the designation of the Fens as a UNESCO Biosphere and for the creation of a special purpose vehicle for the management of green infrastructure, both formal and informal.</p> <p>Award of Contract to: Natural Cambridgeshire</p> <p>Contract Sum: £26,000 plus VAT and expenses</p> <p>Contract Period: 3-4 months from 19 March 2018</p>
Authorisation (<i>delete as appropriate</i>)	The Chief Executive has delegated authority under the constitution to authorise expenditure up to £500k
Background Information	The 2030 Ambition sets out a bold and stimulating picture of Cambridgeshire and Peterborough in 2030 making this historic yet cutting-edge area an even better place to live, learn and work. It outlines the aspirations to deliver additional growth, prosperity and more resilient public services through the strong local partnership of councils, business and public services that have a successful track record of working together.



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	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 10px; text-align: center;"> <p>A leading place in the world to live, learn and work</p> </div> <p>To advance the Combined Authority's ambitions to establish "a high quality sustainable environment", the Combined Authority wishes to commission the production of an Outline Business Case for the designation of the Fens as a UNESCO Biosphere and for the creation of a special purpose vehicle for the management of green infrastructure, both formal and informal.</p>
<p>Alternative options considered.</p>	<p>Do Nothing. This option was discounted on the basis that the CPCA requires the strategic outline business case to be undertaken without delay in order to achieve its 2030 Ambition objectives.</p> <p>Seek Quotations. This option was discounted on the basis that the advice required by the CPCA is urgent.</p>
<p>Consultation</p>	<p><i>List any relevant consultation undertaken in relation to the decision. For example portfolio holders, other Chief Officers.</i></p> <p>The Mayor has been consulted about the relative merits of using Natural Cambridgeshire to support the work.</p>
<p>Declarations / Conflicts of Interests (only if the decision falls under the 'Express Authorisation' category)</p>	<p><i>None</i></p>
<p>Supporting documentation</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"> Natural Cambridgeshire - Prc </p>

<p>Officer signature</p>		<p>Date 19/3/18</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Once signed please file in the electronic file Documents/Governance/ office decision notice and enter details in the register.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">If a public report, pass to Democratic Services and we will arrange publication.</p>		