

CAMBRIDGESHIRE AND PETERBOROUGH COMBINED AUTHORITY – SHADOW OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE	AGENDA ITEM No.3
	PUBLIC REPORT

TITLE: APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR

RECOMMENDATIONS		
FROM:		
Lead Officer	Kim Sawyer, Interim Monitoring Officer	
RECOMMENDATIONS		

The Shadow Committee are asked to:

- (a) appoint a Chair for the meeting and
- (b) confirm the appointment of Councillor John Batchelor as representative of the Shadow Overview and Scrutiny Committee from now until the first meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee following its official establishment at the annual meeting of the Combined Authority in May.

## 1. PURPOSE AND REASON FOR REPORT

1.1 The purpose of the report is to ask the Shadow Overview and Scrutiny Committee to appoint a chair for the meeting and to confirm the appointment of Councillor John Batchelor as representative of the Shadow Committee until the first official meeting of the Committee.

# 2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 The Combined Authority at its first meeting on 20 March appointed the members nominated by constituent councils to the Shadow Overview and Scrutiny Committee as detailed in Appendix 1.
- 2.2 The Overview and Scrutiny Committee comes into effect on 8 May 2017, and following local elections and the election of the Mayor, the Combined Authority Board will hold its annual meeting on 31 May when it will formally appoint the Overview and Scrutiny Committee. In the meantime, the Shadow Committee has been set up to enable Members to prepare for their formal establishment. The Shadow Committee will need to appoint a Chair for this meeting.
- 2.3 The Combined Authority Board also agreed its constitution, subject to consultation with the Shadow Overview and Scrutiny Committee on the scrutiny arrangements. The constitution states that the Committee shall appoint its own Chair and that the Chair will be an elected member of one of the Constituent Councils.



- 2.4 In accordance with the Combined Authority (Overview and Scrutiny Committees, Access to Information and Audit Committees) Order 2017 which comes into effect on 8 May, the Committee must ensure that the person appointed as the Chair is an "appropriate person" who is an elected member of one of the Constituent Councils but is not a member of the registered political party of which the Mayor is a member.
- 2.5 Where the Mayor is not a member of a registered political party, a person may not be appointed as Chair if that person is:
  - (a) a member of the registered political party which has the most representatives among the members of the constituent councils on the Combined Authority, or
  - (b) where two or more parties have the same number of representatives, a member of any of those parties.
- 2.6 Members at the scrutiny workshop held on 16 March appointed Councillor John Batchelor as their representative from now until a Chair is appointed at the first meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

## 3. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

In accordance with the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority Order 2017, no remuneration is to be payable by the Combined Authority to its members.

### 4. **LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

4.1 These are dealt with in the report.

## 5. EQUALITIES IMPLICATION

5.1 N/A

# 6. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

Agenda and minutes for meetings of the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Authority Board are available on the Cambridgeshire County Council website.

### 7. APPENDICES

7.1 Appendix 1 – Membership



# Appendix 1

# APPOINTMENT OF THE SHADOW SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Council	Combined Authority Overview and Scrutiny Representatives
Huntingdonshire District Council	Councillor Robin Carter
	Councillor Terry Hayward
East Cambridgeshire District Council	Councillor Alan Sharp
	Councillor Lisa Stubbs
South Cambridgeshire District Council	Councillor Alex Riley
	Councillor John Batchelor
Fenland District Council	Councillor Fred Yeulett
	Councillor Mark Buckton
Cambridge City Council	Councillor Dave Baigent
	Councillor Tim Bick
Cambridgeshire County Council	Councillor Simon Bywater
	Councillor Peter Reeve
Peterborough City Council	Councillor Mohammed Jamil
	Councillor David Over

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