



**CAMBRIDGESHIRE  
& PETERBOROUGH**  
COMBINED AUTHORITY

**JAMES PALMER**  
CAMBRIDGESHIRE &  
PETERBOROUGH MAYOR

## Combined Authority Board Decision Statement

Meeting: Wednesday 25th November 2020.

[Meeting adjourned at 2.04pm and reconvened on Friday 27 November 2020 at 8.00am]

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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].

### Part 1 - Governance Items

#### 1.1 Announcements, Apologies for Absence and Declarations of Interest

**Apologies were received from Councillor Ryan Fuller and co-opted member Jessica Bawden when the Board met on Wednesday 25 November 2020. Following an adjournment, the meeting was resumed on Friday 27 November and apologies were received from Councillors Ryan Fuller, John Holdich and Bridget Smith and from co-opted members Jessica Bawden and Councillor David Over.**

**A declaration of interest was made by Kim Sawyer, Chief Executive, in relation to Item 4.1: CAM Special Purpose Vehicle Budget Update and Award of the CAM Conceptual Design Contract. Ms Sawyer is an Interim Director of the Board of the CAM Special Purpose Vehicle, but as she was appointed to this position by the Combined Authority Board there was no conflict of interest.**

## 1.2 Minutes of the Combined Authority Board meeting on 30 September 2020

The minutes of the meeting on 30 September 2020 were approved as an accurate record. A copy will be signed by the Mayor when it is practical to do so.

## 1.3 Petitions

No petitions were received.

## 1.4 Public Questions

No public questions were received.

## 1.5 Forward Plan

It was resolved to approve the Forward Plan.

## 1.6 Combined Authority Board and Committee Appointments: November 2020

It was resolved to:

- a) Note the appointment by Cambridge City Council of Councillor Martin Smart as its substitute member on the Combined Authority Board for the remainder of the municipal year 2020/2021.
- b) Note the appointment by Cambridge City Council of Councillor Mike Davey as one of its members on the Overview and Scrutiny Committee for the remainder of the municipal year 2020/2021.
- c) Note the appointment by Cambridge City Council of Councillor Mike Sargeant as one of its substitute members on the Overview and Scrutiny Committee for the remainder of the municipal year 2020/2021.
- d) Nominate and appoint members and substitute members to the Employment Committee.

## 1.7 Appointment of Chief Executive Officer (ONE CAM LTD)

**This report was withdrawn.**

## Part 2 – Finance

### 2.1 Budget Monitor Report Update: November 2020

It was resolved to note the updated financial position of the Combined Authority for the year.

### 2.2 2021/22 Draft Budget and Medium-Term Financial Plan 2021 To 2025

It was resolved to:

- a) Approve the Draft Budget for 2021/22 and the Medium-Term Financial Plan 2021/22 to 2024/25 for consultation.
- b) Approve the timetable for consultation and those to be consulted.

## Part 3 – Combined Authority Decisions

### 3.1 Allocation of Additional Funds to Highways Agencies

Having consulted the Board, the Mayor resolved to allocate the grants as set out below:

Additional Pothole and Challenge Funds

CCC - £10,201,000

PCC - £2,353,000

Total - £12,554,000

### Additional Home to School and College Transport Funds

CCC - £876,164

PCC - £179,328

Total - £1,055,492

## 3.2 Allocation of Getting Building Fund

It was resolved to note Key Decision 2020/081 made by Mayor James Palmer on 5<sup>th</sup> November 2020 using the General Exception procedure.

By recommendation to the Combined Authority Board

## Part 4 – Transport and Infrastructure Committee recommendations to the Combined Authority Board

### 4.1 CAM Special Purpose Vehicle – Budget Update and Award of the CAM Conceptual Design Contract

It was resolved to:

a) In accordance with the shareholder agreement, approve the recommendations of the One CAM Limited Board to:

- I. agree the appointment of the non-executive directors
- II. agree the remuneration for the non-executive directors in the sum of £40,000 per annum for each director
- III. agree the appointment of Jon Alsop as interim Chief Finance Officer for One Cam Ltd
- IV. agree the amendment to the heads of terms of the shareholder agreement
- V. ratify the opening of a bank account with Barclays for One Cam Ltd

b) Delegate authority to the CPCA Chief Executive to enter into contracts following compliant procurement processes on behalf of the Combined Authority and later novate to One Cam Ltd as follows:

- VI. Three contracts to deliver Concept Designs for the CAM in the sum of £200,000 per contract
- VII. A contract for legal services based on schedule of rates and within the 2020/21 agreed budget.
- VIII. A contract to MACE based on schedule of rates and within the 2020/21 agreed budget to facilitate the progression of the CAM outline business case
- IX. A contract to Jacobs to support key elements of the Delivery Strategy capped at £620,000

## 4.2 Fenland Stations Regeneration Outline Business Case

It was resolved to:

- (a) Approve the Outline Business Case outcomes
- (b) Approve the start of construction for Manea and March Station works
- (c) Approve the drawdown of £1.2 million from the budget within the Medium-Term Financial Plan.

## 4.3 Fengate Phase 1 Strategic Outline Business Case

It was resolved to:

- a) Approve the Strategic Outline Business Case;
- b) Approve the commencement of the Full Business Case and detailed design stage;
- c) Approve the drawdown of £270,000 from the budget within the Medium-Term Financial Plan to develop the Full Business Case and detailed design.

#### 4.4 Oxford to Cambridge Arc

It was resolved to note the Oxford to Cambridge Arc report.

#### 4.5 Market Towns Programme Investment Prospectus – Approval of Second Tranche of Project Proposals

It was resolved to:

Approve the second tranche of project proposals received under Market Towns Programme from Fenland and East Cambridgeshire in the sum of £1,426,169 plus an additional £99,900 for the 'unapproved' balance for tranche one.

#### 4.6 Devolution Deal, Gainshare Gateway Review and Combined Authority Prospectus

It was resolved to:

- a) Note that 72% of Devolution Deal Commitments have already been delivered or are in delivery, and agree to take six-monthly progress reports on Devolution Deal delivery in future,
- b) Approve the Locality Complementary Report at Appendix 2,
- c) Approve the Prospectus at Appendix 3.

### Part 5 – Housing and Communities Committee recommendations to the Combined Authority Board

#### 5.1 Local Transport Plan CAM Sub Strategy

It was resolved to:

- a) Note the consultation responses to the Cambridgeshire Autonomous Metro (CAM): Local Transport Plan (LTP) sub-strategy;

- b) Agree the amendments made to the CAM: LTP sub-strategy in light of the consultation responses;
- c) Note that the CAM LTP sub-strategy sets out the vision for CAM, against which, schemes contributing to the CAM will be considered; and
- d) Approve the CAM LTP sub-strategy.

## 5.2 March Area Transport Study

It was resolved to:

Approve the drawdown of £900,000 for construction of the remaining March Area Transport Study Quick Win Schemes

## 5.3 A47 Dualling

It was resolved to:

Note the report and the proposed next steps.

## 5.4 Cambridge South East Transport Better Public Transport and Active Travel Consultation

It was resolved to:

Delegate responsibility to the Director of Delivery and Strategy to respond to the consultation on behalf of the Combined Authority, in consultation with the Chair of the Transport & Infrastructure Committee.

## Part 6 – Skills Committee recommendations to the Combined Authority Board

### 6.1 Local Growth Fund Programme Management November 2020

It was resolved to:

- a) Allocate the remaining £2,043,178 Local Growth Fund into the Growth Grants strand of the new Business Growth Service;
- b) Delegate authority to Director of Business and Skills, in consultation with the Monitoring Officer, Lead Member for Finance and Investment and Section 73 Officer, to approve launching the grant scheme approved by the Business Board to receive the remaining £2,043,178 Local Growth Fund;
- c) Approve the carry forward of £100,000 of the current funding allocation to the Eastern Agri-tech Growth Initiative scheme to enable the close out of the scheme, handling of final claims, a full programme evaluation and report during 2021-22; and
- d) Note the programme updates outlined in the report to the Business Board.

[Meeting adjourned at 2.04pm. The following decisions were made when the meeting reconvened at 8.00am on Friday 27 November 2020]

## 6.2 Growth Deal Project Proposals November 2020

It was resolved to:

Approve funding for the Cambridge Visitor Welcome project based on the project scoring criteria and external evaluator recommendation.

## 6.3 Local Economic Recovery Strategy Update

It was resolved to:

- a) Approve the updated version of the Local Economic Recovery Strategy (LERS) for Cambridgeshire & Peterborough.
- b) Note that the next Economic Recovery Strategy (LERS) for Cambridgeshire & Peterborough Refresh will be brought to the Board in March 2021, rather than January 2021 as previously proposed.**



#### 6.4 Business Board Annual Report 2019/20 and Annual Delivery Plan 2020/21

It was resolved to:

Approve the Business Board Annual Report for 2019-20 and Annual Delivery Plan for 2020-21, and for these to be published and formally submitted to the Department for Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy (BEIS).

#### 6.5 iMET Project Local Growth Fund Recovery

It was resolved to:

- a) Approve pursuing clawback of Local Growth Funding (LGF) in relation to the iMET Programme LGF investment, by selling the iMET building on the open market for a cash receipt back into the recycled Local Growth Funding budget, through agreements with Cambridge Regional College and the Landlord Urban and Civic;
- b) Approve the Combined Authority owning and disposing of the iMET building to effect claw-back, if required. It is not the intention of the transaction as currently envisaged that CPCA would take ownership of the iMET Building. If CPCA do take ownership, it would only be for a short period of time before the iMET is transferred to the end purchaser;
- c) Approve a refocussed Grant Funding Agreement between Cambridge Regional College and the Combined Authority and that final sign-off of that agreement, in relation to the iMET equipment being retained and utilised by Cambridge Regional College to continue delivering learner outputs, is delegated to the Director Business and Skills in consultation with the s73 Officer and the Lead Member for Investment and Finance;
- d) Delegate authority to the Director Business and Skills, in consultation with the Section 73 Officer, the Monitoring Officer and the Lead Member for Investment and Finance, to finalise the form and then sign-off the Surrender or Assignment Option Agreement between Cambridge Regional College and the Combined Authority, once full and final agreement with the landlord has been achieved; and

- e) Delegate authority to the Director Business and Skills in consultation with the Section 73 Officer, Monitoring Officer and the Lead Member for Investment and Finance to finalise Heads of Terms on an agreement with the landlord of the iMET building, which in turn facilitates the final sign-off of the option agreement with Cambridge Regional College.

## 6.6 Kickstart Scheme

It was resolved to:

- a) Approve the Business Growth Service to act as a Gateway Organisation to administer the Kickstart Scheme for the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough area; and
- b) Approve the Business Growth Service as the primary referral partner for any Kickstart requests via the CPCA.

### **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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