

Public Summary of proceedings at the

Extraordinary meeting of the West of England Combined Authority Committee

Friday 17 December 2021

Explanatory note: The majority of the business at this meeting was conducted in exempt (non-public session). The formal minutes of this meeting are exempt and not for publication by virtue of category 1 (Information relating to any individual) and category 3 (Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person, including the authority holding that information) of part 1 of schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

However, this document sets out as much information as possible about the proceedings in the interests of public transparency.

Members present:

Metro Mayor Dan Norris, West of England Combined Authority
 Cllr Toby Savage, Leader, South Gloucestershire Council
 Cllr Craig Cheney (substituting for Mayor Marvin Rees, Bristol City Council)
 Cllr Kevin Guy, Leader, Bath & North East Somerset Council
 Richard Bonner, Chair, West of England Local Enterprise Partnership (non-voting member)

1	<p>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</p> <p>It was noted that apologies for absence had been received from Mayor Marvin Rees and that Cllr Cheney was attending as a substitute for Mayor Rees.</p>
2	<p>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</p> <p>There were no declarations of interest.</p>
3	<p>NOTE IN RELATION TO PUBLIC ITEMS</p> <p>It was noted that no questions or statements had been received from members of the public in connection with this meeting.</p> <p>It was also noted that a statement submitted by Cllr Geoff Gollop as Chair of the West of England Combined Authority Audit Committee would be received by the committee in exempt (non-public) session.</p>
4	<p>EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC</p> <p>The Combined Authority Committee RESOLVED:</p> <p>That under section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the disclosure of exempt information as defined in category 1 (Information relating to any individual) and category 3 (Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person,</p>

	including the authority holding that information) of part 1 of schedule 12A of the Act.
5	<p>STATEMENT FROM CLLR GEOFF GOLLOP, CHAIR OF THE WEST OF ENGLAND COMBINED AUTHORITY AUDIT COMMITTEE</p> <p>Cllr Geoff Gollop presented a statement. The statement had been circulated to committee members in advance of the meeting.</p>
6	<p>RECRUITMENT TO SENIOR OFFICER ROLES</p> <p>The Combined Authority Committee considered an exempt report setting out proposals for the recruitment of certain senior officer roles at the Combined Authority (agenda item 5).</p> <p>The Combined Authority Committee resolved:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To begin the recruitment process of the S73 Officer and the Monitoring Officer, advertising the roles on a 'like for like' basis i.e. a Director of Investment and Corporate Services and a Director of Legal. 2. Shortlisting of candidates for the Employment and Appointments Committee to be undertaken by the WECA Chief Executive with a panel which includes: (a) a Unitary Authority Chief Executive with a finance background - for the finance post. (b) a Monitoring Officer and a Chief Executive from the Unitary Authorities - for the Monitoring Officer post. 3. The appointment of these officers to be made by an extraordinary meeting of the Employment and Appointments Committee, as soon as possible.
7	<p>REPORT ON A STAFFING AUTHORISATION MATTER</p> <p>The Combined Authority Committee considered a report on a staffing authorisation matter (agenda item 6).</p> <p>The recommendation as set out in the exempt report was approved</p>
	<p>Signed:</p> <p>Date:</p>