

A meeting of the

West of England Combined Authority Committee

will be held on

Date: Friday, 23 September 2022

Time: 1.00 pm

Place: Studio 2, Mshed, Princes Wharf, Wapping Rd, Bristol BS1 4RN

Notice of this meeting is given to members of the West of England Combined Authority Committee as follows

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West of England Combined Authority Committee Agenda

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1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

The Metro Mayor to welcome everybody to the meeting. Attendees are requested to familiarise themselves with the evacuation procedure.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To receive any apologies for absence from Members.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST UNDER THE LOCALISM ACTION 2011

Members who consider that they have an interest to declare are asked to: a) State the item number in which they have an interest, b) The nature of the interest, c) Whether the interest is a disclosable pecuniary interest, non-disclosable pecuniary interest or non-pecuniary interest. Any Member who is unsure about the above should seek advice from the Monitoring Officer prior to the meeting in order to expedite matters at the meeting itself.

4. MINUTES

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The minutes of the meetings held on 1 July 2022 and 29 July 2022 are attached. Members are requested to agree the minutes as a correct record of these meetings.

5. CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

To receive announcements from the Chair of the West of England Combined Authority.

6. ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC (QUESTIONS, STATEMENTS AND PETITIONS)

WRITTEN PUBLIC QUESTIONS (written procedure)

- 1. Any member of the public can submit a maximum of two written questions in advance of this meeting.*
- 2. The deadline for the submission of questions is 5.00 pm, at least 3 clear working days ahead of a meeting. For this meeting, the deadline for questions is **5.00 pm on Monday 19 September 2022.***
- 3. Questions should be addressed to the Chair of the meeting and e-mailed to democratic.services@westofengland-ca.gov.uk*
- 4. Under the direction of the Chair, wherever possible, written replies to questions will be sent to questioners by the end of the working day prior to the meeting.*
- 5. Please note - under the Combined Authority's committee procedures, there is no opportunity for oral supplementary questions to be asked at committee meetings.*
- 6. The written questions and replies will be circulated to committee members in advance of the meeting and published on the Combined Authority website.*

PUBLIC STATEMENTS

- 1. Any member of the public may submit a written statement (or petition) to this meeting.*
- 2. Please note that one statement per individual is permitted.*
- 3. Statements must be submitted in writing and received by the deadline of 12 noon on the working day before the meeting. For this meeting, the deadline for statements is **12 noon on Thursday 22 September 2022.** Statements should be emailed to democratic.services@westofengland-ca.gov.uk*

4. Statements will be listed for the meeting in the order of receipt. All statements will be sent to committee members in advance of the meeting and published on the Combined Authority website.

5. **Please note:**

If any member of the public wishes to attend the meeting to orally present their statement, they are asked please to notify the Combined Authority's Democratic Services team of this at the point when their statement is submitted and by 12 noon on the working day before the meeting at the very latest.

For those presenting their statements at the meeting, up to 3 minutes 'speaking time' is permitted for each statement. The total time available for the public session at this meeting is 30 minutes.

7. COMMENTS FROM CHAIR OF LOCAL ENTERPRISE PARTNERSHIP BOARD

To be presented by the Chair of the West of England Local Enterprise Partnership Board..

8. COMMENTS FROM THE CHAIR OF THE OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

The Chair of the Overview & Scrutiny Committee to report the views of that Committee.

9. MOTIONS

To receive any motions submitted for debate.

10. INVESTMENT FUND PROGRAMME

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To update on the overall programme and headroom.

11. INVESTMENT FUND DELIVERY ASSURANCE

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To review changes to schemes within the Investment Fund programme against the agreed delivery assurance principles

12. INFRASTRUCTURE DIRECTORATE TRANSPORT UPDATE

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To secure approval from Committee on key decisions and associated funding (where applicable) related to projects within the Combined Authority's Infrastructure Directorate Transport Portfolio.

NB: Subsequent to the original publication of the report a couple of minor changes have been made to the paper. These are highlighted for ease of reference.

13. GREEN RECOVERY FUND UPDATE

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The committee paper will provide an update on the Green Recovery Fund.

14. UPDATE ON PROGRESS TOWARDS CLIMATE & ECOLOGICAL STRATEGY

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This report provides Committee with an update on progress towards tackling the climate and ecological emergency (in line with the requirements of the motion agreed in 2019, that an update would be provided every six months). The report provides an update on action since agreement of the Climate & Ecological Strategy & Action Plan in April 2022.

15. WEST OF ENGLAND COMBINED AUTHORITY & MAYORAL FORECAST 2022/23

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This report presents the revenue budget financial forecast information for the West of England Combined Authority and the Mayoral budget for the financial year 2022/23

based on data from the period April to July 2022.

16. HEADLINE ASSESSMENT ON INFLATIONARY PRESSURES & MITIGATIONS

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The national fiscal and economic situation is an important consideration for the Combined Authority in setting and managing its revenue and capital budgets. This is work in progress and the Combined authority will need to continue this work and engage with our partner Unitary Authorities in this further work on a continuing basis. This report presents a headline assessment on the inflationary risks on that work to date, and mitigations given the significant economic and inflationary pressures our residents and business in the region and country are facing. This is the first stage of the process. An assessment has been completed for the Combined Authority programmes. The next stage will be to look at the programmes managed through UAs. Inflation and the potential recession are issues that will require quarterly updates to Committee for the foreseeable future.

17. COMBINED AUTHORITY INTERNAL APPROVALS

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To secure approval from Committee for an update to the Combined Authority constitution internal approvals levels for project related financial spend and procurement contracts within approved allocated budgets. This is to improve the efficiency of how we process internal project related procurement contracts and payments. It does not impact operational or grant claims payments.

Next meeting: Friday, 27 January 2023