



Leadership Board (Extraordinary Meeting)

Tuesday 17th April 2018 at 2.00 pm

Meeting to be held: Committee Room, Northumberland County Council, County Hall, Morpeth, NE61 2EF

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1. **Apologies for Absence (Members)**

2. **Declarations of Interest**

Please remember to declare any personal interest where appropriate both verbally and by recording it on the relevant form (to be handed to the Democratic Services Officer). Please also remember to leave the meeting where any personal interest requires this.

3. **North of Tyne Proposals – Consent to Secretary of State’s Order** **1 - 4**

4. **Date and Time of Next Meeting**

Tuesday, 19 June 2018 at 2pm (Annual Meeting).

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Date: 17 April 2018

Subject: North of Tyne Proposals – Consent to Secretary of State’s Order

Report of: Monitoring Officer

Executive Summary

The purpose of this report is to provide an interim report to the Leadership Board on the North of Tyne devolution proposals with a supplemental report to follow in advance of the Leadership Board meeting.

Recommendations

The Leadership Board is recommended to note the contents of this report.

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1. Background Information

- 1.1 The North of Tyne Authorities (Newcastle upon Tyne, North Tyneside and Northumberland) agreed to a “minded to” Devolution Deal with Government in November 2017. In order to implement this deal there is a requirement to establish a new North of Tyne Mayoral Combined Authority, which in itself requires these Councils to withdraw from the existing North East Combined Authority (NECA). NECA currently covers the seven local authority areas of Durham, Gateshead, Newcastle, North Tyneside, Northumberland, South Tyneside and Sunderland. The three North of Tyne Authorities undertook a governance review in accordance with the Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Act 2009 (“**2009 Act**”) and concluded that the creation of a new combined authority “would be likely to improve the exercise of statutory functions in relation to the area”. This conclusion related both to the area of the seven constituent authorities and the three that would form the new Mayoral Combined Authority.
- 1.2 A public consultation was undertaken between 14 December 2017 and 5 February 2018, which included public events across the NECA area. In total around 1,400 people or organisations took part in the consultation process and/or responded to four questions via a survey. A majority of respondents to each question agreed with the proposals in favour of the overall plans to develop a North of Tyne Mayoral Combined Authority.
- 1.3 The North of Tyne Authorities’ Cabinets each approved the submission of a report to the Secretary of State seeking the making of an Order to implement a proposal by them (as detailed in a Scheme published and consulted upon) to create a Mayoral Combined Authority for the North of Tyne and to amend the existing North East Combined Authority boundary to allow this to happen and to create joint arrangements for the governance of transport across the area of the seven local authorities.

2. Proposals

- 2.1 The supplemental report will provide commentary and further details of a further draft Order received from the Secretary of State giving effect to the amendment of NECA boundaries, the creation of the North of Tyne Mayoral Combined Authority, the creation of Joint Transport governance arrangements and similar matters. The report will invite the Leadership Board to make certain decisions in connection with the giving of consent to the making of an Order giving effect to these matters.

3. Reasons for the Proposals

- 3.1 The consent of the North East Combined Authority to the order is a statutory obligation and this condition must be satisfied before the Secretary of State may make an Order under Section 106 of the 2009 Act. Further information will be provided in the supplemental report which is to be published as soon as additional

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confirmation covering aspects of the content of the final Order are received from Government.

4. Alternative Options Available

4.1 A full overview of options will be provided in the supplemental report.

5. Next Steps and Timetable for Implementation

5.1 An overview of next steps and a timetable for implementation will be provided in the supplemental report.

6. Potential Impact on Objectives

6.1 An overview of the potential impact on objectives will be provided in the supplemental report.

7. Financial and Other Resources Implications

7.1 An overview of financial and other resource implications will be provided in the supplemental report.

8. Legal Implications

8.1 An overview of legal implications will be provided in the supplemental report

9. Key Risks

9.1 An overview of the key risks will be provided in the supplemental report.

10. Equality and Diversity

10.1 An overview of the equality and diversity issues and impacts will be provided in the supplemental report.

11. Crime and Disorder

11.1 An overview of the crime and disorder issues and implications will be provided in the supplemental report.

12. Consultation/Engagement

12.1 Full details of consultation and engagement will be provided in the supplemental report.

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13. Other Impact of the Proposals

- 13.1 An overview of other impacts of the proposals outlined in the report will be provided in the supplemental report.

14. Appendices

- 14.1 There are no appendices to this report.

15. Background Papers

- 15.1 North East Leadership Board Report 20th March 2018. Item 6: North of Tyne Proposal – Consent to Secretary of State’s Order.

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16. Contact Officers

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17. Sign off

- Head of Paid Service: ✓
- Monitoring Officer: ✓
- Chief Finance Officer: ✓

18. Glossary

2009 Act - Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Act 2009