

## **Full Council**

**22 February 2024** 

Director of Governance and Monitoring Officer (Portfolio of the Executive Leader)

# **Combined Authority Committee Place Allocations**

#### Introduction

1. This report seeks nominations for the Combined Authority places available to City of York Councillors, as set out in Annex A to this report.

### **General context and Background**

- 2. Members will recall that, on 19 December 2023 the Order creating the York and North Yorkshire Combined Authority ("the Combined Authority") was made by Parliament, and on 20 December 2023 the Combined Authority came into being. The inaugural meeting of the Combined Authority was scheduled for 22 January 2024.
- 3. In accordance with the relevant legislation, political balance for these committees is calculated across the total electorate of the Combined Authority's area, with places being allocated as 50% to the City of York Council and 50% to North Yorkshire Council. Discussions relating to the final allocation of places have been ongoing and will be the subject of a decision by the Combined Authority on 23 February 2023. In the meantime, Members are asked to submit their preferred nominations, as indicated below.
- 4. The following appointments are required.

## York and North Yorkshire Combined Authority

5. On 12 January 2024, the Leader and Deputy Leader were appointed to the York and North Yorkshire Combined Authority as the nominated representatives of City of York Council by the Chief

- Operating Officer using his emergency powers. Council is now asked to ratify these appointments.
- 6. In addition to the appointment of the Leader and Deputy Leader, there is also a need to appoint 2 substitutes for each position.
  - York and North Yorkshire Combined Authority Overview and Scrutiny Committee
- 7. There are a total of six places on the committee that need to be appointed to by City of York Council, subject to political proportionality. Additionally, six substitutes are required for this committee.
  - York and North Yorkshire Combined Authority Audit and Governance Committee
- 8. There are a total of four places on the committee that need to be appointed to by City of York Council, subject to political proportionality. Additionally, four substitutes are required for this committee.
  - York and North Yorkshire Combined Authority Skills and Employability Working Group
- 9. The relevant portfolio holders for Skills and Business are to be appointed to this working group. For City of York Council, this would mean the appointment of Councillors Pete Kilbane and Robert Webb.

## **Financial Implications**

10. There are no financial implications in relation to this report.

# **Legal Implications**

11. The allocation of places on the committees has been made in accordance with the requirements of the Combined Authorities (Overview and Scrutiny Committees, Access to Information and Audit Committees) Order 2017, and with the Constitution of the York and North Yorkshire Combined Authority.

# Other Implications

12. There are no other implications in relation to this report.

#### Recommendations

13. That Council nominates members to fill the Combined Authority committee places noted in Annex A to this paper.

Reason: To ensure allocations to the Combined Authority committees are made.

**Annexes:** Annex A – York and North Yorkshire Combined Authority Committee Places

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- <u>The Combined Authorities (Overview and Scrutiny Committees,</u> Access to Information and Audit Committees) Order 2017
- YNYCA Constitution January 2024