DRAFT TIMETABLE

	Task	Start	Finish
1.	Leaders write to Government to open dialogue between the Councils and Government about a potential deal	13 February 2020	13 February 2020
2.	Councils to give political approval to submit the asks proposal document. No decision to approve a devolution deal – just to approve process of negotiating a deal and submitting an 'asks' document.	February 2020	August 2020
3.	Following feedback from the Government, a consultation will take place to seek residents, communities and businesses views on the final set of asks.	February 2020	August 2020
4.	Dialogue/negotiations between Leaders and Ministers from Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government (MHCLG) and the Treasury - to discuss our 'asks' regarding funding and powers - draft governance proposals (eg combined authority with mayor) to receive additional funding/powers Submit final 'asks 'Document	February 2020	July 2020
5.	Ministers from MHCLG and Treasury then consider the proposed 'asks' document and governance proposals	July 2020	November 2020
6.	Agreed Devolution Deal announced in Autumn around a 'fiscal event'.	November 2020	November 2020
7.	If Council's agree the deal, agreement to carry out a Governance Review of the area (Decision by Leaders/Exec/Councils to carry out a review)	November 2020	Novembe r/ Decembe r 2020

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8.	Prepare a Scheme that demonstrates it meets the statutory conditions set out in the 2009 Act	December 2020	December 2020
9.	Consult the stakeholders and the public to establish their views on the governance review and scheme	December 2020	February 2021
10	Publication of the Scheme and Submission to MHCLG and send results of consultation (Executive and Councils) and any proposed amendments as a result of consultation	February 2021	April/May 2021
11	MHCLG then consider whether the statutory test has been met for the proposals. Preparation of a draft Order by the Department for Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government	April/May 2021	July 2021
12	Laying of the Draft Order for the Combined Authority before Parliament for Approval (and potential date for the Secretary of State to pass an order for the creation of a Mayor)	July 2021	October 2021
13	Formation of Combined Authorities	November 2021	April 2022
14	Mayor Elections	May 2022	May 2022

Key: Actions in Bold require a decision from each authority.