

Customer and Corporate Services Scrutiny Management Committee

5 September 2022

Report of the Chief Operating Officer

Cover Report: Pre-decision scrutiny of Devolution Reports to Executive in September 2022

Summary

1. This report explains the context to the draft reports which are scheduled to be discussed at Executive on 15 September 2022. Those draft reports are attached (Annex A and Appendices 1-6) for discussion by the Committee.

Background

- On 01 August 2022, the Leader of the Council signed a proposed devolution deal with Government. Subject to approval by local authorities, the deal would provide for a range of powers and funding to be devolved to York and North Yorkshire from Government and require the creation of a Combined Authority and an elected Mayor.
- 3. The statutory process requires that a Governance Review is carried out to assess whether the statutory and local conditions are met to allow the Secretary of State to draft an Order that would permit the creation of the Mayoral Combined Authority.
- 4. If the statutory tests are met, Local authorities can publish a Scheme, which describes the future arrangements, and consult on the Scheme.
- 5. The Executive reports outline that process and recommend that the council proceeds to statutory consultation.

Consultation

6. Consultation on the Scheme is a statutory part of the process and described within the draft report.

Council Plan

- 7. The recommendations of the draft reports relate directly to the following council plan action:
 - Work across the region to secure devolution at a meaningful scale for the benefit of the whole of Yorkshire and contribute to the Local Industrial Strategy, which will help to shape our regional growth.

Implications

8. The implications are included in the Executive report.

Risk Management

9. There are no additional risks identified beyond those outlined in the Executive Report.

Recommendations

10. The committee is asked to consider the draft papers and provide feedback and comment.

Reason: To ensure appropriate scrutiny and oversight of the devolution proposals

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Annexes			
Annex A	Agree The Dev	olution Deal and Comm	ence Consultation
Appendices:			
Appendix 1	Governance Ro	eview Report	
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Appendix 6 Draft Terms of Reference for the Joint Devolution Committee

Abbreviations

CA – Combined Authority

GVA - Gross Value Added

IMD – Index of Multiple Deprivation

LEP – Local Enterprise Partnership

MCA – Mayoral Combined Authority

TUPE - Transfer of Undertakings (Protection of Employment)

YNY - York and North Yorkshire