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Dear Councillor

MEETING OF COUNCIL – TUESDAY, 24 NOVEMBER 2020

You are requested to attend the meeting of the Council to be held Remotely on Tuesday, 24 November 2020 at 4.00 pm

The agenda for the meeting is set out overleaf.

Yours sincerely



Parveen Akhtar
City Solicitor

Notes:

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Members are reminded that under the Members' Code of Conduct, they must register within 28 days any changes to their financial and other interests and notify the Monitoring Officer of any gift or hospitality received.

AGENDA

A. PROCEDURAL ITEMS

1. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

(Members Code of Conduct - Part 4A of the Constitution)

To receive disclosures of interests from members and co-opted members on matters to be considered at the meeting. The disclosure must include the nature of the interest.

An interest must also be disclosed in the meeting when it becomes apparent to the member during the meeting.

Notes:

- (1) *Members may remain in the meeting and take part fully in discussion and voting unless the interest is a disclosable pecuniary interest or an interest which the Member feels would call into question their compliance with the wider principles set out in the Code of Conduct. Disclosable pecuniary interests relate to the Member concerned or their spouse/partner.*
- (2) *Members in arrears of Council Tax by more than two months must not vote in decisions on, or which might affect, budget calculations, and must disclose at the meeting that this restriction applies to them. A failure to comply with these requirements is a criminal offence under section 106 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992.*
- (3) *Members are also welcome to disclose interests which are not disclosable pecuniary interests but which they consider should be made in the interest of clarity.*
- (4) *Officers must disclose interests in accordance with Council Standing Order 44.*

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

3. **WRITTEN ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE LORD MAYOR
(Standing Order 4)**

(To be circulated before the meeting).

4. **INSPECTION OF REPORTS AND BACKGROUND PAPERS**

(Access to Information Procedure Rules – Part 3B of the Constitution)

Reports and background papers for agenda items may be inspected by contacting the person shown after each agenda item. Certain reports and background papers may be restricted.

Any request to remove the restriction on a report or background paper should be made to the relevant Strategic Director or Assistant Director whose name is shown on the front page of the report.

If that request is refused, there is a right of appeal to this meeting.

Please contact the officer shown below in advance of the meeting if you wish to appeal.

(Adrian Tumber – 07970 412150)

B. BUSINESS ITEMS

5. **WEST YORKSHIRE DEVOLUTION**

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The West Yorkshire “minded-to” Devolution Deal was announced as part of the Budget on 11 March 2020. Subject to statutory processes, this will lead to the adoption of a mayoral combined authority model with additional functions.

At their meetings in September, the Combined Authority and each Constituent Council:

- Considered the outcome of the public consultation on the Scheme, which was undertaken jointly by the Constituent Councils and the Combined Authority; and
- Resolved to submit the summary of the consultation responses to the Secretary of State.

Subsequently the consultation summary report, along with representations from Leeds City Council and Kirklees Council, were submitted to the Secretary of State. This submission, along with the Scheme have then been used to draft the Order.

Following these approvals the report of the Chief Executive (**Executive Document “CO”**) seeks to:

- Consent in principle to the draft Order, to establish a mayoral

combined authority and associated changes as set out in the 'minded to' Devolution Deal.

- Delegate authority to the Managing Director of the Combined Authority, in consultation with the Leader and Chief Executive of CBMDC and each Constituent Council and the Chair of the Combined Authority, to finalise and consent to the final draft of the Order further to any technical issues which may arise.

The Executive is meeting earlier in the day before Council on 24 November and is being asked to agree the following recommendation:

Recommended –

- (1) To consider and comment on the content of this report, along with the draft Order.**
- (2) To consent in principle to the draft Order, to establish a mayoral combined authority and associated changes as set out in the 'minded to' Devolution Deal.**
- (3) To delegate authority to the Managing Director of the Combined Authority, in consultation with the Leader and Chief Executive and the Chair of the Combined Authority, to finalise and consent to the final draft of the Order further to any technical issues which may arise.**
- (4) To note the updated timetable set out in Appendix 1 to this report and the next steps which are subject to the consent being given by the Constituent Councils and Combined Authority, to the Order that the Secretary of State will lay in Parliament in December 2020.**
- (5) To refer this report and appendices to Council to consider, provide any comments, and endorse the Executive decisions taken.**
- (6) To resolve that this decision is exempt from call-in on the grounds of urgency, for the reasons set out in paragraph 6.1 of this report.**

(Kersten England, Chief Executive)

Note:

The Executive is meeting before Council on 24 November and will make a recommendation for Council to consider. That recommendation will be e-mailed to all Councillors in advance of the meeting of Council and will be published on the Council's website.