

Agenda for a meeting of the Corporate Overview and Scrutiny Committee to be held Remotely on Tuesday, 16 February 2021 at 4.00 pm

Members of the Committee – Councillors

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A. PROCEDURAL ITEMS

1. ALTERNATE MEMBERS (Standing Order 34)

The City Solicitor will report the names of alternate Members who are attending the meeting in place of appointed Members.

2. 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.*

3. MINUTES

Recommended –

That the minutes of the meeting held on 7 January 2021 be signed as a correct record (previously circulated).

(Yusuf Patel - 01274 434579)

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.

(Yusuf Patel - 01274 434579)

5. REFERRALS TO THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

No referrals were made at the time of the publication of the agenda.

B. OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY ACTIVITIES

6. WEST YORKSHIRE DEVOLUTION

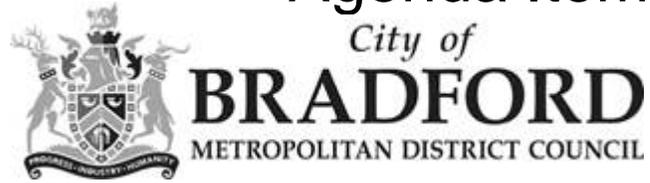
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The Strategic Director Place will submit a report (**Document “Y”**) which updates members on devolution in West Yorkshire and the benefits for Bradford and the region. It also outlines the progress being made by Bradford Council and the West Yorkshire Combined Authority in taking forward the main work streams and Governance in preparation for the new Mayoral Combined Authority for West Yorkshire.

Recommended –

Members are requested to consider and comment on the progress made on devolution in West Yorkshire.

(Julian Jackson – 01274 433766)



Report of the Strategic Director of Place to the meeting of Corporate Overview & Scrutiny Committee meeting on Tuesday 16 February 2021 - West Yorkshire Devolution

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Subject: West Yorkshire Devolution

Summary statement:

On 11 March 2020, the Chancellor announced a “minded to” Mayoral Devolution Deal for the West Yorkshire area (which covers the Local Authority areas of Bradford, Leeds, Wakefield, Kirklees and Calderdale). A report submitted to Executive on 24 March outlined the details of the devolution deal, its benefits for Bradford District, its people and its businesses and set out the required next steps.

The detail of the proposed changes to the governance arrangements required for implementation of the deal were reported to Executive on 19 May. It requires that there will be a directly elected Mayor for West Yorkshire to be elected in May 2021.

The reports which went to Executive in March and May 2020:

- endorsed the “minded to” deal on behalf of Bradford District,
- approved a statutory review to be undertaken jointly with the other West Yorkshire Councils and the Combined Authority,
- provided for a draft Governance scheme to be produced for consideration, and
- agreed a consultation to take place in June and July 2020 on the devolution proposals and its governance.

Once the consultation was completed a summary of the outcome was reported to Executive on 8 September 2020. Due consideration was given to the comments and suggestions made and it was not proposed that anything was raised which required representations to be made for significant changes to the proposals.

Bradford Council Executive consented to the draft Order on the 24th November 2020 to establish a Mayoral Combined authority and associated changes as set out in the ‘minded to’ Devolution Deal, The Devolution Order was made in Parliament on 29th January and came into force on Monday 1st February 2021.

This report updates members on devolution in West Yorkshire and the benefits for Bradford and the region. It also outlines the progress being made by Bradford Council and the West Yorkshire Combined Authority in taking forward the main work streams and Governance in preparation for the new Mayoral Combined Authority for West Yorkshire.

EQUALITY & DIVERSITY:

Equalities Impact Assessments have been undertaken for both the consultation process and the overall implementation of the Deal. These assessments have taken account of the obligations under section 149 of the Equality Act 2010 (i.e. the public sector equality duty). It is not expected that the proposals described in this report will have any adverse impacts on people with protected characteristics. The Combined Authority will ensure that the equality impact assessments are reviewed throughout the devolution implementation process.

Report Sponsor: Jason Longhurst
Report Contact: Julian Jackson, Assistant Director
Regeneration, Planning and Transport

Portfolio: Councillor Ross-Shaw
Overview & Scrutiny Area:

1. SUMMARY

- 1.1 The West Yorkshire “minded-to” Devolution Deal was announced as part of the Budget on 11 March 2020. Now that all statutory processes have been completed, this has led to the adoption of a mayoral combined authority model with additional functions.
- 1.2 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.
- 1.3 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.
- 1.4 Bradford Council Executive consented to the draft Order on the 24th November 2020 to establish a mayoral combined authority and associated changes as set out in the ‘minded to’ Devolution Deal, The Devolution Order was approved in Parliament on 29th January and came into force on Monday 1st February 2021.
- 1.5 As part of the work that the Combined Authority is undertaking to become a mayoral combined authority, scrutiny arrangements are being reviewed to ensure they are fit for purpose. This review has included the Combined Authority’s Overview and Scrutiny Committee holding a range of working groups to discuss, review and make recommendations for change. The Chair of the Committee contacted Overview and Scrutiny Chairs from Constituent Councils to offer them an opportunity to comment on this work, particularly any views on how scrutiny at a West Yorkshire level can engage with local scrutiny in the future. It is expected that a paper detailing options from this review will be considered at the Combined Authority meeting in March.
- 1.6 This report outlines the benefits of the Devolution Deal for Bradford and West Yorkshire and the progress being made on the main work streams and Governance arrangements in preparation for establishment of the Mayoral Combined Authority in May 2021.

2.0 BACKGROUND

Benefits of the Deal

- 2.1 The Deal will devolve a range of powers and responsibilities to West Yorkshire Combined Authority. It will unlock significant long-term funding and give the Region greater freedom to decide how best to meet local needs.
- 2.2 The ‘minded to’ devolution deal, the biggest ever of its kind, and establishing a Mayoral Combined Authority will enable more:

Funding: to invest in our people, businesses and communities

Powers: to shape West Yorkshire and take decisions closer to people

Influence: to shape Government policy and access further devolution and funds

2.3 The devolution deal offers both investment and decision making which are crucial to fulfil West Yorkshire's potential and meet current challenges. The deal brings:

- Control of £38m per year allocation of gain share investment funding over 30 years, to drive growth and take forward our priorities
- A five-year integrated transport settlement starting in 2022/23, and agreement to explore West Yorkshire Mass Transit
- New powers relating to transport, including easier access to bus franchising and a regional approach to control of a Key Route Network
- Devolution of Adult Education powers and the Adult Education Budget to shape local skills provision to respond to local needs
- £25m Heritage Fund to support the establishing of a potential 'British Library North'
- New powers on planning, focusing on zero carbon
- £3.2m to support development of a pipeline of housing sites across West Yorkshire
- Transport infrastructure development and funding for the Bradford City Centre Station Masterplan and the Outline Business Case for Leeds Station redevelopment
- Ongoing partnership with the Environment Agency on identifying and addressing flood risk management requirements with £101m allocated for West Yorkshire flood risk management schemes
- £200,000 for the Yorkshire Leaders Board
- £75,000 West Yorkshire Local Digital Skills Partnership
- Piloting the new National Green Infrastructure Standards with Natural England and DEFRA
- Transfer of Police & Crime Commissioner (PCC) functions to the new Mayor in 2021
- Commitment to working in partnership to explore an "Act Early" Health Institute
- Strengthened collaboration and partnership with Government

2.4 Devolution and Mayoral Combined Authority preparations are already having an impact on access to funding and increased opportunities for the Region. These have been sought and secured through:

- £317m Transforming Cities Fund, the largest allocation to any region, to deliver transformational walking and cycling schemes across West Yorkshire and creating jobs
- £67m funding for new homes on Brownfield sites
- A seat at the national table on economic recovery

2.5 The initial gain share funding for the financial year 2020/2021 will be available prior to the first Mayoral election. This was subject to: the establishing legislation being in place; and a revised Assurance Framework being approved, which have both now been completed.

Benefits for Bradford

This is a deal that will guarantee long term funding for Bradford district that will allow critical investment in public transport, support business, improve skills and living standards while tackling the climate emergency. It will mean more of the decisions with major impacts on our Region which are currently made by Government will be taken locally with direct Bradford Council involvement. This Deal will mean West Yorkshire will have the arrangements in place to negotiate with Government for further powers and funding for regeneration and public services in the years ahead.

The Deal will help the Council, alongside key partners, work with the other West Yorkshire authorities to:

- draw down the £63m Adult Education Budget and support the vital skills investment for our District's young people and adults;
- work with the Government's commitment to develop a modern, low carbon, mass transit system;
- shape bus services fit for 21st century with access to bus franchising powers giving more local control over bus services, especially as we respond to the Covid pandemic;
- support local businesses, innovation and trade, especially as we work together on our shared economic ambitions and immediate economic recovery plan;
- invest and prepare for a zero carbon future and build resilience in the face of the climate and environment emergency, including programmes for decent homes and energy conservation;
- support better neighbourhoods and more affordable housing with the development of a pipeline of housing sites across West Yorkshire, including Bradford District, through access the Government's new Brownfield Regeneration Fund
- make a positive difference to people's lives and the quality of local neighbourhoods – from digital infrastructure, safer streets, flood risk management and better greenspaces.

Specific commitments for Bradford District include:

- An additional £500,000 in direct funding to help Bradford Council develop a masterplan for Bradford city centre, maximising regeneration opportunities from Northern Powerhouse Rail.
- A package of measures through the Transforming Cities Fund to transform Bradford City Centre through active travel, pedestrianisation, new cycle infrastructure and better access to Bradford Interchange
- A new park-and-ride for South Bradford providing alternative access to the city centre and key employment sites
- Support for an ActEarly research hub (building on the Born in Bradford work at Bradford Royal Infirmary) which focuses on early interventions in childhood health to improve lives and opportunities for children and their families. (We are currently

working with Born in Bradford to look at how we might reshape this proposal in light of the response to the Coronavirus pandemic).

In addition to this, we are working with the Combined Authority on developing these and other commitments in the context of the impact of the on-going COVID-19 pandemic.

Progress has already been made by Bradford Council and partners including the Combined Authority on the Master planning of the City Centre with phase 1 of the work inputting the regeneration and economic benefits of a Bradford City Centre Station into the Strategic Outline Case for Northern Powerhouse Rail. As a result, a Bradford City centre station on a new line between Manchester and Leeds has been agreed by the TfN Board as being on the preferred network recommended to Government

The Bradford Transforming Cities Fund Programme of schemes are being developed to Outline Business Case Stage developing the options.

The Combined Authority is currently consulting on the Connectivity Infrastructure Plan which sets out a long-term transport infrastructure investment programme for the next 20 years, providing a picture of where improvements are most needed to enhance people's quality of life and bring investment to the area.

As a result of the devolution deal, in July 2020 the Combined Authority was allocated £67m of the Brownfield Housing Fund as a direct share of the fund from MHCLG along with other Mayoral Combined Authorities in England. The fund is aimed at supporting housing development on brownfield sites that face viability issues. We are working to identify suitable sites across the five Local Authority areas that are able to deliver new housing by March 2025 utilising the Brownfield Housing Fund to address issues that would otherwise mean sites would not come forward for development in this time frame. This presents a new and unique opportunity to deliver much needed new housing for people and communities in West Yorkshire. Bradford Council have submitted housing schemes into this fund.

Decision-making arrangements for new Non-Mayoral Functions

- 2.6 As a result of the devolution deal, the Combined Authority will receive a range of new functions in relation to new areas of responsibility. The Order provides that the new functions will be conferred on the Combined Authority in two phases:
- Non-Mayoral Functions (functions which are not the responsibility of the Mayor) were conferred on the Combined Authority when the Order was made
 - Mayoral Functions (functions which are the responsibility of the Mayor) will be conferred on the Mayor once in office
- 2.7 The new Non-Mayoral Functions came into force on 1st February. Functions may be exercised by the Combined Authority or delegated to committees or officers.
- 2.8 At its November 2020 meeting, the Combined Authority approved governance arrangements for the adult education functions. Existing committee arrangements provide scope for decision-making and/or advisory recommendations in respect of

other new functions, as follows:

- Housing Regeneration and Planning functions – Investment Committee/ Place Panel
 - Transport related functions – Transport Committee
- 2.9 The WYCA Managing Director's delegated authority under the Officer Delegation Scheme will also extend to these functions, subject to any reservations set out in the Scheme.
- 2.10 It is proposed that now the Order is made, decision-making in respect of the Non-Mayoral Functions is carried out under current arrangements, subject to the outcome of any future general review of committee arrangements.
- 2.11 It is also proposed that the CA Head of Legal and Governance Services be delegated authority, in consultation with the Chair of the Combined Authority, to make any amendments to existing governance arrangements to facilitate the implementation of the new Non-Mayoral Functions. These will include incorporating the requirements relating to the statutory consents for concurrent functions and reserving the approval of any Key Route Network to the Combined Authority (subject to the statutory consent of the West Yorkshire Constituent Councils).
- 2.12 At their meeting in December 2020, the Combined Authority also delegated authority to the Head of Legal and Governance Services to convene an Independent Remuneration Panel to make recommendations to the Combined Authority in relation to the Mayor's allowance. It is proposed that the Head of Legal and Governance Services be authorised to extend the remit of the panel in relation to reviewing any other allowances should such a review be needed at any time in the next 12 months.
- 2.13 The Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Act 2009 sets out statutory processes to be followed before any Devolution Order is made. Each aspect has a specific statutory procedure to be followed. In addition, the consent of each Constituent Council and the Combined Authority is required to any Regulations giving the Combined Authority powers to borrow for non-transport functions, however these are to be progressed separately and at a later date to the making of the Order.
- 2.14 As part of the work that the Combined Authority is undertaking on becoming a mayoral combined authority, scrutiny arrangements are being reviewed to ensure they are fit for purpose. As part of this work the Combined Authority's Overview and Scrutiny Committee are holding a range of working groups to discuss, review and make recommendations for change. The Chair of this Committee has contacted Overview and Scrutiny Chairs from Constituent Councils to offer them an opportunity to comment on this work, particularly any views on how scrutiny at a West Yorkshire level can engage with local scrutiny in the future.

The Order

2.15 The Order is a technical document which is now legislation. It includes details of:

- When the functions will commence
- The election of Mayor
- The Mayor's Political adviser
- Education, skills and training functions
- Housing, regeneration and planning functions
- Mayoral development corporation
- Transport functions
- Mayoral functions
- Funding
- Police and Crime Commissioner functions

2.16 The requirement for a Spatial Development Strategy has been removed by Government from the Devolution Deal and Final Order for West Yorkshire .

2.17 The Final Order can be found at the following link - [The West Yorkshire Combined Authority \(Election of Mayor and Functions\) Order 2021 \(legislation.gov.uk\)](#) and a table of mayoral and non- mayoral functions is outlined in Appendix 1

2.18 Following Parliament's approval of the Order there is still much work to be undertaken to implement and operationalise the Order. The Combined Authority and Constituent Councils will work closely together to develop and agree local protocols. These protocols will:

- Provide further clarity that no functions are taken away from the Constituent Councils.
- Detail how any functions which are held concurrently between the Combined Authority and the Constituent Councils will be operated
- Detail how consent functions will work in practice.

Next Steps

2.19 The Order was agreed by Parliament on 29th January 2021.

2.20 Table in appendix 2 sets out the timeline for implementing the deal.

Police and Crime Commissioner

2.21 To support understanding of the degree of work required to transfer the Police and Crime Commissioner functions to the Mayor in May 2021, an external due diligence exercise was commissioned by the Combined Authority through a competitive tender process. The scope of this critical exercise included an understanding of the scale of the transfer, the mechanisms necessary to transfer PCC functions, as well as the instruments and resourcing required to enable this.

2.22 The external due diligence exercise and risk assessment on the transferring of PCC functions concluded that there were no insurmountable barriers to the transfer. Key

areas of risks have been identified including resourcing of the transfer work; staff transition; future changes to the funding model; and future funding and fleet replacement for the National Air Police Service (NPAS), all of which have identified risk mitigation actions assigned. A full project plan for the transfer of functions with appropriate resourcing is now in development.

- 2.23 The arrangements for the Police and Crime Panel (PCP), which provides scrutiny of the work of the PCC, will remain as per the current arrangements. That is, the PCP will be retained as a joint committee, supported by Wakefield Council as the Support Services Authority to the Panel. This could be reviewed at a later date in light of potential changes arising from the Home Office's PCC review and subject to further discussion and agreement.

3. FINANCIAL & RESOURCE APPRAISAL

- 3.1 The 'minded to' Devolution Deal includes a number of flagship funding arrangements including £38m for 30 years into the West Yorkshire Investment Fund, £317m from the Transforming Cities Fund and control over the £63m annual Adult Education budget. The implications of these and the other funding provisions contained within the 'minded to' Deal will be subject to future reports.

4. RISK MANAGEMENT AND GOVERNANCE ISSUES

The Mayoral Combined Authority programme is risk managed through the WYCA corporate risk procedures and reported in public to the Combined Authority (CA) Governance and Audit Committee. Bradford Council elected members, through Executive and nominated positions on CA bodies provide local democratic leadership, scrutiny and representation for the best interests of Bradford District, its citizens and communities.

5. LEGAL APPRAISAL

- 5.2 S101(5) Local Government Act 1972 provides that two or more local authorities (defined to include a Combined Authority) may discharge any of their functions jointly and may arrange for the discharge of those functions by an officer of one of the authorities.
- 5.3 As part of the statutory process required to enable a Devolution Order, a public consultation was undertaken. The summary of the results was submitted to the Secretary of State and was taken into account during the drafting of the Order.

6. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

6.1 SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS

As part of the Deal text, the Government welcomed West Yorkshire's commitment to becoming a net zero carbon economy by 2038, with significant progress by 2030. There are, however, no immediate implications on sustainability arising as a direct result of the report.

6.2 GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS IMPACTS

Not applicable

6.3 COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS

No direct issues arising from this report.

6.4 HUMAN RIGHTS ACT

No direct issues arising from this report.

6.5 TRADE UNION

In due course, it is anticipated that in establishing the Mayoral Combined Authority there will be staffing implications in terms of additional resources to deliver the ambition of the Deal and these will be considered, with Trade Union and staff involvement, at the appropriate point to ensure operational effectiveness and efficiency of the Combined Authority and Local Authority partnership working and local service provision.

6.6 WARD IMPLICATIONS

No direct issues arising from the report.

6.7 IMPLICATIONS FOR CORPORATE PARENTING

No direct issues arising from the report.

6.8 ISSUES ARISING FROM PRIVACY IMPACT ASSESMENT

No direct issues arising from the report.

7. NOT FOR PUBLICATION DOCUMENTS

None

8. OPTIONS

Not applicable

9. RECOMMENDATIONS

9.1 Members to consider and comment on the progress made on devolution in West Yorkshire.

Appendix 1: Functions

The Combined Authority will continue to carry out the functions previously exercised, but as an MCA will gain new statutory functions in relation to the Combined Authority area. Some functions will be the responsibility of the Mayor (Mayoral functions) and the rest (Non-Mayoral functions) will be carried out by the Combined Authority, or committees or officers on its behalf.

Non-Mayoral Functions

Some of the new functions to be conferred on the Combined Authority are to be exercised as Non-Mayoral functions. Operating protocols are to be agreed for the exercise of functions that are held concurrently with the five **Constituent Councils** of Bradford, Calderdale, Kirklees, Leeds and Wakefield which will recognise the strategic role of the Combined Authority, and safeguard the role of Constituent Councils in local decision making and delivery.

The new Non-Mayoral Functions will be:

- **Transport**
 - Transport-related powers to set up and coordinate a Key Route Network on behalf of the Mayor
 - Collect contributions from utility companies for diversionary works needed from highways work carried out on the Key Route Network
 - Powers to operate a permit scheme to control works
- **Adult Education and Skills**
 - Control of the Adult Education Budget (AEB)
 - Promote effective participation in education and training of young people aged 16 and 17, and make available appropriate support services to young people and relevant young adults
 - Ensure that skills provision in West Yorkshire supports adults to develop the skills they need to enter and stay in work, or enrol in an apprenticeship, traineeship, or other learning, and meets the needs of the region's businesses
 - Ensure that adult education and training in West Yorkshire promotes high standards, fair access to opportunity and fulfils individuals' learning potential, and that relevant institutions in the further education sector provide appropriate education to specified individuals aged between 16 and 18 years
- **Housing**
 - Functions relating to compulsory purchase, plus provision of housing and land, land acquisition and disposal, and development and regeneration of land
 - To exercise these functions, some powers will be granted concurrently with Constituent Councils, or Homes England, as appropriate. The aims and ambitions are to:
 - Improve the supply and quality of housing
 - Secure regeneration or development of land or infrastructure
 - Support in other ways the creation, regeneration and development of communities
 - Contribute to achieving sustainable development and good design
- **Finance**
 - Power to borrow up to an agreed cap for non-transport functions

In addition, and subject to agreement, any Constituent Council and the Combined Authority may enter into arrangements to allow delegation of functions from a Constituent Council to the Combined Authority and may also enter into joint arrangements in respect of Non-Mayoral Functions with the Combined Authority and any Constituent Council or other local authority.

All decisions relating to PCC Functions will be for the Mayor (see below), however, all property, rights and liabilities which are property, rights and liabilities of the PCC for West Yorkshire will transfer and devolve to the Combined Authority. This includes the assets of the National Police Air Service.

Mayoral functions

The Mayor will be responsible for functions of the Combined Authority which are Mayoral Functions. They will consult the Combined Authority on any policy or strategy relating to the exercise of a Mayoral function and will be scrutinised and held to account by the Combined Authority's Overview and Scrutiny Committee(s). The Mayor may delegate functions to a Combined Authority member or an officer. It is anticipated that the Mayor may enter into joint arrangements with specified local authorities including constituent councils.

Police and Crime functions (PCC Functions) will also be exercised by the Mayor. Some PCC functions are solely exercisable by the Mayor, and some may be delegated to a Deputy Mayor for Policing and Crime, or to another person.

The Mayoral Functions will be:

- **Transport:**
 - Power to draw up a Local Transport Plan and Strategies
 - Power to request local regulations requiring large fuel retailers to provide Electric Vehicle charging points
 - Bus franchising powers
 - Ability to pay grants to operators
- **Housing and Planning**
 - Housing and land acquisition powers to support housing, regeneration, infrastructure and community development wellbeing
 - Power to designate a Mayoral Development Area and then set up a Mayoral Development Corporation
- **Finance**
 - Power for the Mayor to set a precept on council tax to fund Mayoral functions (resulting from the setting of the Mayoral budget)
 - Power to change business rate supplement (subject to ballot)
- **PCC**
 - Securing the maintenance of an efficient and effective police force and holding the chief constable to account
 - Issuing a police and crime plan, determining police and crime objectives
 - Attendance at Police and Crime Panel
 - Preparing an annual report
 - Calculating a council tax or budget requirement (precept)
 - Maintaining of the Police Fund
 - Appointing, suspending or calling on a chief constable to retire or resign
 - Delegating some of these functions to a Deputy Mayor for Policing and Crime
 - Consulting the public to ensure that their views and priorities on community safety issues inform the police and crime plan
 - Commissioning of services which include supporting victims and tackling reoffending
 - Strengthening links such as between inclusive growth and community safety and cohesion

Appendix 2 Timetable of Mayoral Order Process

Step	Action / Decision	When – proposed timescales	Who
1	Carry out statutory Review	April - May 2020	Each Constituent Council and the Combined Authority jointly
	Consider Review outcome and resolve: - that an Order would be likely to improve statutory functions - agree Scheme for publication - agree to consult public on the Scheme	w/c 18 May 2020	Each Constituent Council, and the Combined Authority
	Publish Scheme	25 May 2020	Constituent Councils and the Combined Authority jointly
2	Publish Scheme	25 May 2020	Constituent Councils and the Combined Authority jointly
3	Consultation	25 May 2020 - 19 July 2020	Constituent Councils and the Combined Authority jointly
4	Consider outcome of consultation and resolve to submit a summary of responses to the Secretary of State	1 - 8 Sept 2020	Each Constituent Council and the Combined Authority
5	Secretary of State approves proposals set out in Scheme and decides to lay draft Order/Regulations	Nov 2020	Secretary of State
5	Consent to draft Order	w/c 23 Nov 2020	Each Constituent Council and the Combined Authority
	Draft order scrutinised by the JCSI legal advisers	Nov 2020	Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments
	Final consent to the order sought	15 Dec 20	Constituent Councils and the Combined Authority by delegation
6	Order Laid	17 Dec 2020	Secretary of State
	Order Made and final deal published	Jan / Feb 2021	Secretary of State
-	Notice of Mayoral Election	25 March 2021	Mayoral Combined Authority
-	Mayoral Election held	6 May 2021	Mayoral Combined Authority

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