

Cabinet

Thursday, 1 June 2023

Present: N Redfearn (Elected Mayor) (in the Chair)
Councillors C Johnson, S Graham, J Harrison,
A McMullen, S Phillips, Janet Hunter and P Earley

In Attendance: D Hodgson (Business Sector)
S Roe (Age UK, North Tyneside)
S Rennison (Northumbria Police)

Apologies: Councillors K Clark and H Johnson

CAB15/23 To Receive any Declarations of Interest and Notification of any Dispensations Granted

No declarations of interest or dispensations were reported.

CAB16/23 North East Devolution

Cabinet considered a report on the public consultation undertaken by the seven Councils across the North East in respect of HM Government proposals on a “minded to” devolution deal; and sought approval to submit the Consultation Report at Appendix 1 to the Secretary of State as the next step in the process of establishing the new mayoral combined authority.

Cabinet considered recommendations as set out in section 1.2 of the report.

Resolved that (1) the content of the report and the Consultation Report at Appendix 1, be noted;
(2) the consultation that had been undertaken was sufficient for the purposes of the legislation and that the findings set out in the Consultation Report demonstrated that the statutory criteria in paragraph 1.5.6 of the report had been met;
(3) the Consultation Report should be submitted to the Secretary of State be agreed so that the Secretary of State can:

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- a. Consider whether they are satisfied that the consultation has been sufficient and that the statutory criteria have been met; and
- b. (if so satisfied) request Parliament to make an Order to abolish the existing combined authorities and establish the North East Mayoral Combined Authority;

(4) the consent to the making of the necessary Statutory Order in principle, be agreed; and

(5) the Chief Executive, in consultation with the Elected Mayor, be authorised to take all steps necessary to implement the above proposals, including (but not limited to) finalising the terms of the Consultation Report which is submitted to the Secretary of State.

(Reason for decision: The submission of the Consultation Report to the Secretary of State is the next step in the process to establish the Mayoral Combined Authority for the region and access to the benefits of devolution.)

CAB17/23 Date and Time of Next Meeting

Monday, 26 June 2023 at 6.00pm.

Minutes published on Tuesday, 6 June 2023.

The decisions contained within these Minutes may be implemented (unless called in by 3 Non-Executive Members for consideration by the Overview, Scrutiny Co-ordination and Finance Committee) immediately following the expiry of the call-in period; i.e. 5.00pm on Tuesday, 13 June 2023.