

Decisions taken by West Yorkshire Combined Authority

DATE OF MEETING:	Friday, 22 October 2021
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CIRCULATION:	Members of the WYCA Overview & Scrutiny Committee
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Agenda Item No.	Subject/Title of Report	Decision(s)
6	WY Climate and Environment Plan	<p>Resolved: That the Combined Authority:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Approves the West Yorkshire Climate and Environment Plan and agrees to delegate, if required, any final changes to the Managing Director in consultation with the Mayor. b) Endorse the Mayor to bring forward a Climate and Environment Fund and to secure the £85m funding needed for the actions for the Combined Authority. The Combined Authority would work with partner local authorities to design the delivery mechanisms for this fund. c) Endorse the Mayor to identify potential funding sources for the Fund, including the Single Investment Fund. Decisions would be taken after the Comprehensive Spending Review, which would indicate whether and when there would likely be further national funding available to support this work.
7	Capital Spending and Project Approvals	<p>Resolved:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) That in respect of the Social Housing Decarbonisation Fund, and in order to ensure that schemes can be delivered within the tight timescales, the Combined Authority approves the delegation of authority to the Climate, Energy and Environment Committee to accept the Social Housing Decarbonisation Fund and approve the scheme in accordance with the

		<p>Assurance Framework (decision point 4 (Final Business Case)), so that delivery can commence in line with government's delivery timeframes.</p> <p>b) That in respect of the Green Jobs Taskforce and Gateway, the Combined Authority approves that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) The Green Jobs Taskforce and Gateway scheme proceeds through decision point 2 (Strategic Outline Case) and decision point 4 (Full Business Case) with Approval to Proceed to activity 5 (Delivery). ii) Approval to the Combined Authority's contribution of £500,000 (which will be funded from the Single Investment Fund to progress the mayor's pledges) be granted. The total scheme value is £500,000. iii) Future approvals are made in accordance with the assurance pathway and approval route outlined in the submitted report and any change requests are delegated to the Employment and Skills Committee. This will be subject to the scheme remaining within the tolerances outlined in the submitted report. <p>c) That in respect of the Creative New Deal, the Combined Authority approves that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) The Creative New Deal project proceeds through decision point 2 (strategic outline case) and decision point 4 (full business case) and work commences on activity 5 (delivery). ii) Approval to the Combined Authority's contribution of £500,000,
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		<p>funded from the Combined Authority's Single Investment Fund is given. The total scheme value is £500,000.</p> <p>iii) Future approvals are made in accordance with the assurance pathway and approval route outlined in the submitted report and any change requests are delegated to the Culture, Arts and Creative Industries Committee. This will be subject to the scheme remaining within the tolerances outlined in the submitted report.</p> <p>d) That in respect of Local Authority Capital Funding 2021/2022, the Combined Authority approves that, subject to a successful bid to DfT:</p> <p>i) The allocation to the Combined Authority of the Active Travel Fund: Local Authority Capital Funding for 2021/22, subject to a successful bid, for expenditure of up to £12,361,310 and that the programme proceeds through decision point 4 (full business case) and work commences on activity 5 (delivery) for all schemes except the Leeds A660 Otley Road scheme which commences work on activity 4 (full business case)</p> <p>ii) Delegation to the Managing Director to approve the Leeds A660 Otley Road full business case.</p> <p>iii) The allocation of the Active Travel Fund: Local Authority Capital Funding for 2021/22 funding, should it be secured, between the Combined Authority and the five West Yorkshire partners as set out below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bradford - £3,056,300 • Calderdale - £475,000
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8	Corporate Matters	<p>Resolved: That the Combined Authority:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Appoints private sector members to the Culture, Arts and Creative Industries Committee as set out in Appendix 1 attached to the submitted report. b) Appoints Sam Keighley as a private sector member of the Place, Regeneration and Housing Committee. c) Appoints Karl Oxford as a private sector member of the Business, Economy and Innovation Committee. d) Accepts the debt cap of £248.326 million for 2021/22 as offered by HM Treasury. e) Notes the work underway on the 2022/23 budget.
9	Trans Pennine Route Upgrade	<p>Resolved: That the Combined Authority:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Delegates to the Managing Director, authority to enter into a binding legal agreement which safeguards the Authority's interests in and around Huddersfield Bus station and provides appropriate measures to manage travel disruption during the construction phase of the Trans Pennine Route Upgrade. b) Approves that, in the event that a binding legal agreement cannot be made with Network Rail, the Combined Authority shall participate in the Public Inquiry regarding the Transport and Works Act Order (TWAO) application to the Secretary of State for Transport for the proposed improvements to the railway between Huddersfield to Westtown (Dewsbury) to present the specific matters relating to impacts in and around Huddersfield Bus Station. c) Approves that, in the event that a binding

		<p>legal agreement can be made with Network Rail, the Managing Director submits a letter to the Public Inquiry reaffirming the Combined Authority's support for the Trans Pennine Route Upgrade and advises that the matters relating to Huddersfield Bus Station have now been resolved.</p>
10	Bus Service Improvement Plan	<p>Resolved: That the Combined Authority approves the BSIP and agrees to delegate any final changes to the Managing Director in consultation with the Mayor. The BSIP will be submitted to DfT before the deadline of 30th October 2021.</p>