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**Report to:** West Yorkshire Combined Authority

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**Subject:** **Representation on Outside Bodies**

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## 1. Purpose of this report

- 1.1 To consider West Yorkshire Combined Authority (Combined Authority) representation on outside bodies.

## 2. Information

- 2.1 The Combined Authority is represented on a number of outside bodies. Proposed appointments for this municipal year are set out in the attached **Appendix 1**.
- 2.2 The appendix sets out the appointments to be made to **Transport for the North** (TfN), the statutory Sub-National Transport Body. It is understood that the Combined Authority's representative and substitute on the TfN Board will subsequently be appointed by the TfN Board to the TfN Partnership Board in their respective capacities.
- 2.3 An appointment is also sought for the **Consortium of East Coast Main Line Authorities**, which is a partnership of local councils, combined authorities and Scottish Regional Transport Partnerships from across the area served by the East Coast Main Line. It advocates to secure investment, improve the

passenger experience, improve capacity and reliability and shorten journey times on the East Coast Main Line.

- 2.4 **HS2 East**, in respect of which an appointment is also sought, is a group of cities making the case for the full delivery of Phase 2 of the HS2 network to the East Midlands, Leeds and York to secure the local and regional economic benefits of more jobs and opportunities that this will deliver.

### **3. Tackling the Climate Emergency Implications**

- 3.1 There are no climate emergency implications directly arising from this report.

### **4. Inclusive Growth Implications**

- 4.1 There are no inclusive growth implications directly arising from this report.

### **5. Equality and Diversity Implications**

- 5.1 There are no equality and diversity implications directly arising from this report.

### **6. Financial Implications**

- 6.1 None.

### **7. Legal Implications**

- 7.1 The appointment to the TfN Board must be the Mayor or a Combined Authority Member who is an elected member, with responsibility for transport.
- 7.2 The appointment to the TfN Scrutiny Committee may be an elected member of the Combined Authority or of any of the Constituent Councils of the Combined Authority. It cannot be the TfN Member or their substitute, nor a TfN co-opted Member.
- 7.3 The appointments to Rail North Committee represent the Combined Authority and the City of York Council, as a regional grouping.

### **8. Staffing Implications**

- 8.1 There are no staffing implications directly arising from this report.

### **9. External Consultees**

- 9.1 No external consultations have been undertaken.

### **10. Recommendations**

- 10.1 That the Combined Authority approves the appointments to the outside bodies for the municipal year 2021/22, as detailed in Appendix 1.

**11. Background Documents**

None.

**12. Appendices**

Appendix 1 - Combined Authority representation on outside bodies 2021/22