

Appendix 2: Summary of TfN constitutional arrangements.

In relation to **TfN membership**, the regulations provide for **19 voting Members**: each of the 19 Constituent Authorities who are local transport authorities in the TfN area, (including WYCA) is to appoint one of its elected members to be a voting member of TfN, and a substitute for that person. (For WYCA, the TfN Member must be WYCA's Chair, or the elected member with responsibility for Transport¹).

The Secretary of State is not a member of TfN.

The regulations also provide for the following **co-opted members**:

- each local transport authority which is a member of Rail North Ltd but not a constituent authority, to appoint one of its elected members to be a co-opted member of TfN,
- the Chair of the Partnership Board to be appointed as a co-opted member, and
- TfN may agree to appoint further co-opted members.

Co-opted members are **non-voting** subject to any resolution by voting members.

The **Chair** for TfN may be appointed only from among the TfN Members or co-opted Members. No additional vote attaches to the position, and the Chair does not exercise a casting vote in the event of a vote being tied.

In relation to **voting arrangements**,

- in relation to most matters, each TfN member's vote is weighted by dividing the total resident population² of the area of a constituent authority by 200,000 and rounding up to the next whole number,
- any decision to approve TfN's annual Budget, to change TfN's constitution or to approve or change the Transport Strategy will require 75% of the weighted votes **and** a simple majority of TfN Members,
- different voting arrangements are apply to any question about the management of the Northern or TransPennine Express franchises, in respect of which a vote is determined by multiplying the percentage of passenger miles on the Northern and TransPennine Express franchises that are in the area of the constituent authority by ten, and if the result is not a whole number, rounding to the nearest whole number, and
- TfN must establish a "**Partnership Board**" to advise TfN on matters relating to transport.
- TfN must appoint a **scrutiny committee** and each constituent authority may appoint **one** member (and substitute) to this committee. For WYCA this must be an elected Member of WYCA or any of WYCA's constituent authorities.

¹ A Constituent Authority with an elected Mayor must appoint the Mayor to this position, or the elected member with responsibility for Transport

² as estimated by the Statistics Board on 30th June in the financial year two years before the financial year in which the vote takes place.