
Report to: West Yorkshire Combined Authority

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1. Purpose of this report

- 1.1 To provide an update on appointments to committees and panels of the Combined Authority.
- 1.2 To consider proposals in relation to membership of the Inclusive Growth and Public Policy Panel
- 1.3 To note the nomination made to Transport for the North (TfN), in respect of the Rail North Committee.

2. Information

Appointments to Committees and Panels

- 2.1 At the date of the Combined Authority's annual meeting, there were a number of nominations still to be received from partner councils in respect of membership for some Combined Authority committees and panels.
Appendices 1 and 2 to this report are updated schedules setting out the additional appointments for the Combined Authority's committees and panels.

Membership of the Inclusive Growth and Public Policy Panel

- 2.2 The Combined Authority's annual meeting appointed a new Inclusive Growth and Public Policy Panel, to be chaired by Councillor Shabir Pandor. The Combined Authority resolved to co-opt five local authority representatives onto the panel, (one from each West Yorkshire council), together with one private sector representative (now confirmed as Nicola Greenan).
- 2.3 It is now proposed to appoint a non-voting advisory representative to the panel, for each of the following:
- Yorkshire Universities,
 - Leeds City Region Universities,
 - the Joseph Rowntree Foundation, and
 - the West Yorkshire and Harrogate Sustainability and Transformation Partnership (STP) - a partnership between NHS organisations and local councils developing shared proposals to improve health and care.
- 2.4 The proposed appointments are set out in **Appendix 2** to this report.

Rail North Committee

- 2.5 Rail North Ltd is in the process of being wound up, since franchising functions are now discharged by TfN (as a statutory body), through its Rail North Committee. In accordance with the TfN constitution, one member of the Rail North Committee will represent both the Combined Authority and the City of York Council, exercising weighted voting rights to reflect rail passenger demand for both areas. This reflects current arrangements for Rail North Ltd. Further to consultation with Leaders, and by agreement with the City of York Council, the Combined Authority's nomination for this position was confirmed as Councillor Blake with Councillor Hincliffe as substitute, before the first meeting of the committee.

3. Inclusive Growth Implications

- 3.1 The role of the Inclusive Growth and Public Policy Panel at the annual meeting is to facilitate and promote inclusive growth.

4. Financial Implications

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

5. Legal Implications

- 5.1 There are no legal implications directly arising from this report.

6. Staffing Implications

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

7. External Consultees

- 7.1 Leaders of West Yorkshire councils and the City of York Council were consulted in relation to the nominations to the Rail North Committee.

8. Recommendations

- 8.1 That the Combined Authority notes the updated appointments as set out in **Appendices 1 and 2** to this report.
- 8.2 That the Combined Authority approves the membership of the Inclusive Growth and Policy Panel as set out in **Appendix 2** to this report.
- 8.3 That the Combined Authority endorses the appointment of Cllr Blake as the representative for the Combined Authority and the City of York Council on the Rail North Committee of Transport for the North, with Councillor Hinchcliffe as her substitute.

9. Background Documents

There are no background documents referenced in this report.

10. Appendices

Appendix 1 – West Yorkshire Combined Authority appointments 2018-19

Appendix 2 – West Yorkshire Combined Authority advisory panel appointments 2018-19