

HULL AND EAST YORKSHIRE COMBINED AUTHORITY
11.00AM ON 29TH MAY 2026
AURA, BRIDGEHEAD BUSINESS PARK
AGENDA

	Item	Lead Officer
1.	Welcome from Mayor Mayor's Announcements	Mayor
2.	To confirm (i) Combined Authority Member appointments; (ii) Portfolio roles; (iii) co-optee appointments; (iv) Substitute Members; (v) Scrutiny and Audit Committee Membership.	Interim Monitoring Officer
3.	Deputy Mayor	Interim Monitoring Officer
4.	Declarations of Interest To receive any declarations of interest in relation to the items that follow below.	Interim Monitoring Officer
5.	Minutes of the HEY Combined Authority held on 4th March 2026 To approve the minutes.	Interim Monitoring Officer
6.	Questions on Notice to Mayor	Interim Monitoring Officer
7.	Appointments to Outside Bodies Transport for the North Humber Bridge Board Humber Economic Mayoral Joint Committee	Interim Monitoring Officer
8.	Agree the Dates and Time of the Ordinary Meetings and Committee Meetings	Interim Monitoring Officer

9.	Exclusion of Press & Public	Interim Monitoring Officer
10.	Hull and East Yorkshire Combined Authority Accommodation	KEY DECISION

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Hull and East Yorkshire Combined Authority4th March 2026 2:30pmErgo, Bridgehead Business Park, HesslePRESENT:-

Mayor Luke Campbell, Councillors Handley, Dad, Ross, and Tucker, J. Evison (Police and Crime Commissioner for Humberside), D. Gent (Hull and East Yorkshire Skills Board Deputy Chair) (substituting for Jayne Adamson), and J. Speedy (Hull and East Yorkshire Business Board Chair).

IN ATTENDANCE:-

Councillor Meredith (Chair of the HEYCA Overview and Scrutiny Committee), A. Menzies (Interim Chief Executive), M. Heppell (Strategic Director of HR & OD), T. Maione (Interim Monitoring Officer), J. Neilson (Interim Director of Finance), S. Skelton (Investment Lead), and L. Hawkins (Democratic Services Officer).

APOLOGIES:-

Jayne Adamson (Chair of the HEY Skills Board).

Minute No.	Description/Decision	Action By/Deadline
PROCEDURAL ITEMS		
82.	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST No declarations of interest were received in relation to the items that follow below.	
83.	MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 30TH JANUARY 2026 The Democratic Services Officer submitted the minutes for approval. Agreed – that the minutes of the meeting held on 30 th January 2026 be approved as a true and correct record.	

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84.	<p>MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 12TH FEBRUARY 2026</p> <p>The Democratic Services Officer submitted the minutes for approval.</p> <p>Agreed – that the minutes of the meeting held on 12th February 2026 be approved as a true and correct record.</p>	
85.	<p>MAYORS ANNOUNCEMENTS</p> <p>The Mayor began by informing the meeting that it had been a very busy start to the year. He explained that the week before he had taken part in a Governmental visit to America. During the trip he had visited cities which had similar growth areas to Hull and East Yorkshire. A number of follow up calls had been arranged as a result of the visit.</p>	
86.	<p>PUBLIC QUESTIONS</p> <p>Councillor Wareing attended the meeting to ask the following question -</p> <p>There is an imminent threat to community-based employment support in HU6 due to the conclusion of the UK share prosperity funding which comes to an end on the 31st March 2026.</p> <p>With no success of funding or transition arrangements being announced HU6 provider Unity in Community have issued redundancy notices to the majority of their staff.</p> <p>Can we have a guarantee that there will be replacement funding available from 1st April 2026 for community based employment provision for providers such as Unity in the community, Goodwin and Probe?</p> <p>The Mayor provided the following response –</p> <p>That the UKSPF was to be replaced by the Local Growth Fund. The new fund was 38% less than the previous fund and it was to help with economic growth in the region. He understood the concerns</p>	

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	<p>of current providers. His team would be working with the providers and if they were doing what you say they are then we would be happy to support them however he could not guarantee anything until he went back and sat with his team.</p> <p>The new fund was to help with growth and his team would work with all the providers to see which ones were creating the most growth that aligned with the Growth Plan. The Growth Plan had been developed by an excellent team and was backed by data.</p> <p>Councillor Wareing informed the Board that the UKSPF funding ended on 1st April 2026 and if the providers did not receive confirmation of funding this month they would have to make redundancies.</p>	
87.	<p>REPORTS FROM THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE AND ANY OTHER COMMITTEES OF THE COMBINED AUTHORITY</p> <p>Councillor Meredith (Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee) attended the meeting to provide the Board with an overview of the work that the Committee had undertaken.</p> <p>The Board was informed that the Overview and Scrutiny Committee had discussed the UKSPF at its last meeting; that a briefing for the Committee members had taken place which had been helpful and informative, and that the Committee would formulate its work programme in May 2026.</p> <p>The Board thanked Councillor Meredith for the work of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee.</p> <p>Agreed – that the updates be noted.</p>	
88.	<p>HUMBER ECONOMIC STRATEGY 2025-2035</p> <p>The Interim Chief Executive submitted a report which presented the Humber Economic Strategy 2025 - 2035 (HES) for consideration and approval.</p> <p>The Investment Lead informed the Board that Humber Economic Strategy had been commissioned by the Humber Leader's Board; that the document set out the economic interests and</p>	

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	<p>strengths; that there was consistency between the Humber Economic Strategy and the Local Growth Plan, and that the Strategy could be used as a single voice for the region in communications with Government.</p> <p>Councillor Ross confirmed that the Strategy had been endorsed by Hull City Council; that it made sense to work on the issues, set out in the Strategy, as a region, and that the Humber economic geography was recognised.</p> <p>Councillor Handley confirmed that the Strategy had been endorsed by East Riding of Yorkshire Council and also the other elected Mayors in the region, and that it was recognised that the Strategy would evolve and change over time.</p> <p>A discussion took place and members commented that the Strategy was very estuary focussed and the region was much wider than that and that there needed to be more emphasis on Small to Medium Enterprises (SMEs).</p> <p>Agreed – that the Board endorses the Humber Economic Strategy 2025-35 and note that, once endorsed by all Humber authorities, it will provide a consistent analysis and underpinning framework for the work of the Mayoral-led Joint Committee of the HEYCA and GLCCA.</p> <p><u>Reasons for Recommendations</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Through the devolution deals negotiated with Government, Hull City Council, East Riding of Yorkshire Council, North East Lincolnshire Council and North Lincolnshire Council understand the importance of developing the Humber’s economic potential and the need for public and private sector collaboration on both banks of the Humber in maximising area’s economic opportunities alongside the Greater Lincolnshire Combined Authority, the Humber Energy Board and Humber Freeport. • The Humber Economic Strategy 2025-2035 has been developed through extensive 	<p>Interim Chief Executive</p>
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	<p>engagement by HEYCA with key stakeholders including the Humber Freeport, Humber Energy Board, Local Authorities and the Greater Lincolnshire Mayoral Authority. The role of this strategy is to articulate the distinctive economic opportunities for the region and the national significance of these.</p>	
89.	<p>JOINT MAYORAL COMMITTEE – TERMS OF REFERENCE</p> <p>The Interim Monitoring Officer submitted a report which set out the proposed governance arrangements to support and facilitate the commitment by each Combined Authority and their respective constituent councils to work collaboratively across the Humber to enhance its economic potential.</p> <p>A discussion took place around the Terms of Reference for the Mayoral Humber Growth Board and that decisions could not be taken at meetings if both Mayors were not present; that it was suggested that the Mayor could appoint a substitute, and that there were concerns in relation to the decision making set out at section 7, particularly in 7.2, as it was felt that the Local Authority members should be able to participate in all votes.</p> <p>The Interim Monitoring Officer explained that the Terms of Reference had been drafted in a way to ensure that the meetings were Mayor led; that other Joint Mayoral Committees had been set up in the same way, and that the Mayoral Humber Growth Board could review its Terms of Reference at its first meeting.</p> <p>Members of the Board commented that the Police and Crime Commissioner for Humberside was not included within the membership of the Mayoral Humber Growth Board. It was acknowledged that the Police and Crime Commissioner was the only Pan-Humber elected representative and that they could provide useful contributions to the meetings. It was confirmed that the Home Office had no objections to the suggestion.</p>	

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	<p>A discussion took place around the Humber Business Forum and it was suggested that representatives from the Hull and East Yorkshire and Lincolnshire Business Boards would need to be Board members. The Interim Chief Executive</p> <p>Agreed –</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. That HEYCA’s constitution be amended to establish a joint committee to be known as the Mayoral Humber Growth Board and to include the Terms of Reference set out at Appendix A (subject to amendments of a minor and/or technical nature approved by the Chief Executive) in the constitution under Joint Arrangements & Partnership Working; b. That HEYCA supports an open recruitment process to establish the Humber Business Forum, and c. That its Terms of Reference are submitted, for review, to the first meeting of the Mayoral Humber Growth Board. <p><u>Reasons for Recommendations</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Mayoral Humber Growth Board delivers against the expectations set out within the devolution deals for Hull and East Yorkshire and Greater Lincolnshire. It is designed to facilitate the long-term economic growth of the Humber through a strong public-private partnership. • The Mayoral Humber Growth Board is underpinned by the Humber Business Forum, and representation from the Humber Energy Board and Humber Freeport, to ensure a strong private sector voice in all decisions made by the Mayoral Humber Growth Board. 	<p>Interim Chief Executive/ Interim Monitoring Officer</p>
<p>90</p>	<p>THE HULL AND EAST YORKSHIRE LOCAL GROWTH PLAN</p> <p>The Strategic Advisor – Investment submitted a report which presented the Hull and East Yorkshire Local Growth Plan (LGP) for approval.</p>	

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	<p>The Board was informed that the LGP fell under the remit of the Portfolio Holder for Investment; that part A of the document set out the Authority's strategic direction through four Big Plays; that it was an incoming statutory duty for Combined Authorities to have an LGP; that part B of the document set out the evidence base for the selection of the four Big Plays, and that part C set out the delivery and action plans.</p> <p>A discussion took place and members of the Board commented that there were not enough individuals with the relevant skills to fulfil the number of employment opportunities across the region and that options including the retraining of reoffenders needed to be considered.</p> <p>Members went on to discuss the allocation of the Local Growth Fund monies and clarification was sought in relation to what criteria would be used to allocate the funding, when the monies would be released and which organisation would be responsible for informing the providers of any allocations they would receive and how they would receive the payments.</p> <p>Members commented that the need to align funded programmes to the Local Growth Plan was acknowledged however the providers needed clarity as to whether they would continue to receive funding.</p> <p>The Strategic Advisor – Investment explained that the Combined Authority would set clear objectives which would be based on Government expectations; that a system conversation would need to take place in the first three months; that the Board would need to determine its oversight of the work being undertaken; that the Authority would undertake the work to review the impact of programmes funded by the Local Growth Fund; that it was anticipated that the two constituent local authorities would allocate the funding to the providers and would recharge the Combined Authority as it would not have sufficient time to set up a payment system; that the Combined Authority would inform the providers that they would receive funding for six months and that a review of the programmes would take place during that period,</p>	
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and that providers would need to demonstrate how their outcomes contributed to the aims of the LGP.

Moved by Councillor Handley and seconded by Councillor Tucker

- a. That the Board approves the Hull and East Yorkshire Growth Plan set out at **Appendix 1**;
- b. That the Board delegates authority to the Chief Executive in consultation with the Mayor to:
 - make any necessary minor amendments to the Plan to address errors, improve accessibility and ensure it remains current prior to formal launch
 - accommodate further minor amendments to the shared priorities established in the Plan where these are necessary to secure final ministerial sign-off (as set out in para. 6.3)
 - prepare a final and fully designed version of the Plan, together with any summary or investment focused presentations of the Plan that might be helpful to promote its objectives and priorities, and
 - to put in place appropriate resourcing arrangements to deliver the Plan and provide suitable future updates;
- c. That the Board notes the financial implications of the planned activity set out in the Plan, as summarised in Appendix 2;
- d. That the Board approves the allocation of Local Growth Fund monies as set out in Appendix 3, which includes funding for local organisations and programmes providing business and employment support to

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	<p>respond to the priorities of the LGP over, initially, a six-month transition period; and</p> <p>e. in making the above decisions, the Board considered the updated equalities impact assessment set out in Appendix 4.</p> <p>Motion carried.</p> <p><u>Reasons for Recommendations</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Local Growth Plan provides the core economic policy framework for the Combined Authority, ensuring that activity across all portfolios is strategically aligned. • Section 39 (via Schedule 20) of the English Devolution and Community Empowerment Bill, once enacted, is expected to confer on Mayoral Combined Authorities a duty to prepare and publish a Local Growth Plan for their area. 	
91	<p>HULL AND EAST YORKSHIRE TRANSPORT TRANSITIONAL ARRANGEMENTS</p> <p>The Interim Chief Executive submitted a report which set out the necessary delegations and assurance to ensure continuation of transport functions whilst Hull and East Yorkshire Combined Authority (HEYCA) developed and built its strategic transport capacity.</p> <p>The Interim Monitoring Officer explained that this was the final piece of the jigsaw in ensuring that the relevant delegations were in place for the transition of strategic transport functions to the Combined Authority.</p> <p>Councillor Tucker confirmed that as the Portfolio Holder for Transport he was content with the recommendations set out within the report.</p> <p>Moved by Councillor Tucker and seconded by Councillor Ross</p> <p>a. That the Board Approve delegation of the specific local transport functions which are now the functions of HEYCA only to East Riding of Yorkshire Council and Hull City</p>	Interim Chief Executive

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	<p>Council for the period 1st April 2026 to 31st March 2027 respectively to allow the Constituent Councils to continue delivering the functions on behalf of HEYCA;</p> <p>b. That the Board delegates authority to the Chief Executive, in consultation with the Section 73 Officer and the Monitoring Officer to enter into an agreement with the Constituent Councils to delegate such transport functions, including delivery of concessionary fares schemes and locally funded supported bus services during HEYCA's formative stage;</p> <p>c. That the Board approves the transfer of the consolidated local transport funding for the 2026/27 financial year to Hull City Council and East Riding of Yorkshire Council, to enable the continued delivery of agreed local transport programmes, based on the allocations used by the Department for Transport to calculate the overall settlement;</p> <p>d. Approve the adoption of the constituent councils' current Enhanced Partnership schemes for adoption to allow the allocation of the bus grant funding to be spent in line with Department for Transport Bus Grant guidelines;</p> <p>e. That the Board approves the adoption of the constituent councils' current concessionary travel schemes and locally funded socially necessary/supported bus programmes, and</p> <p>f. That the Board delegates authority to the Chief Executive, in consultation with the Monitoring Officer and Section.73 Officer, to finalise and submit the draft Local Transport Delivery Plan to the Department for Transport by the 20 March 2026 submission and to complete all enabling actions required for the proper implementation of the recommendations in this report.</p> <p>Motion carried.</p>	
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	<p><u>Reasons for Recommendations</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HEYCA became the Local Transport Authority for Hull and East Yorkshire when HEYCA was established by Parliamentary Order in February 2025. The legislation that created HEYCA made provision for a transition period where certain transport powers were exercised concurrently between HEYCA and the constituent councils until 31st March 2026. As a result, all Department for Transport (DfT) local transport funding is now routed through HEYCA. • The DfT consolidated local transport funding is additional to and not a substitute for existing local authority baseline transport budgets funded by locally raised revenues or public transport funding allocations from other Government Departments, including the Local Government Finance Settlement (LGFS). DfT consolidated funding cannot be used to meet statutory English National Concessionary Scheme duties/requirements, and the DfT expect baseline bus budgets from other sources to be maintained. • Strategic leadership and accountability for transport sits with HEYCA, while delivery of highways and transport schemes continues to sit with the constituent councils as highway and traffic authorities. From 2026/27, DfT funding will be outcomes based and failure to demonstrate delivery, value for money or assurance could result in DfT intervention. The requirement to submit a draft Local Transport Delivery Plan by 20 March 2026 is the first step towards this new way of working with the DfT. • At its November 2025 meeting, the Board agreed that Department for Transport Bus Grant Funding for 2026/27 be delegated to the constituent councils, subject to mutual agreement of spending plans and Mayoral 	
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	<p>approval, and that the delegation be governed though a formal agreement pursuant to and in accordance with section 101 of the Local Government Act 1972.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As the Local Transport Body, from the 1 April 2026, HEYCA has a statutory duty to prepare and maintain a Local Transport Plan. During the transition period, this duty has been met through the alignment of the constituent councils adopted Local Transport Plans, pending development of a single HEYCA Local Transport Plan. The Plan is currently in development, supported by the existing overarching strategic transport framework. 	
<p>92</p>	<p>SKILLS AND BUSINESS ADVISORY BOARDS - REORGANISATION INTO BUSINESS, SKILLS AND EMPLOYABILITY ADVISORY BOARD</p> <p>The Interim Monitoring Officer submitted a report which proposed the merger of the current Skills Advisory Board and Business Advisory Board arrangements into one Business, Skills and Employability Advisory Board.</p> <p>The Board was informed that the Authority’s Constitution would need to be amended in order to merge the Skills and Business Boards to create a whole system Board. A Terms of Reference for the new Board would need to be drafted and would be submitted to the next meeting of the Executive Board.</p> <p>A discussion took place and members queried whether there was a rationale for merging of the current advisory reports. It was acknowledged that there had always been an intention to revisit the membership and role of the Boards.</p> <p>The Mayor explained that he felt that better outcomes were achieved when work was undertaken in a collaborative manner; that the proposal had been discussed with the Chairs of the advisory boards and they were supportive, and it</p>	

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	<p>would be beneficial to have various sector representatives around one table.</p> <p>Members of the Board commented that all parties needed to work together to deliver the Growth Plan; that a number of working groups would need to sit beneath the Business, Skills and Employability Advisory Board; that there were a number of governance issues relating to the Adult Skills Fund and the HEY Business, Growth and Skills Hub that would need to be addressed; that the report did not specify the size of the Board and it was acknowledged that the membership would need to include representatives from the private, public and voluntary/community sectors, and that the Local Skills Improvement Plan would need to be tied in.</p> <p>Agreed - that an in-principle decision be made to merge the current Business Advisory Board and the current Skills Advisory Board into a single Business, Skills and Employability Advisory Board and THAT HEYCA's constitution be amended to establish a single Business, Skills and Employability Advisory Board in the place of the separate Skills Advisory Board and Business Advisory Board with arrangements as follows -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The 'placeholder' in HEYCA's Constitution for Terms of Reference for the Skills Advisory Board be deleted. • The 'placeholder' in HEYCA's Constitution for Terms of Reference for the Business Board Advisory be deleted. • The new Business, Skills and Employability Advisory Board have Joint Chairs being the current chairs of the Skills Advisory Board and the Business Advisory Board. • That all current members of both the Skills Advisory Board and Business Advisory Board be invited to express an interest in being members of the new Business, Skills and Employability Advisory Board. 	<p>Interim Monitoring Officer</p>
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • That the Monitoring Officer be instructed to develop, in conjunction with the joint chairs of the new Business, Skills and Employability Advisory Board, a draft Terms of Reference, initial draft work plan and initial draft calendar of proposed meetings for presentation at the next meeting of Executive Board. • That current Skills Advisory Board and Business Advisory Board meetings and proceedings continue, unchanged, until such time as Executive Board resolve to accept Terms of Reference and the first meeting of the new Business, Skills and Employability Advisory Board is declared open. <p><u>Reasons for Recommendations</u> The Business, Skills and Employability Advisory Board will deliver against HEYCA’s ambitions and expectations across linked themes of Business, Skills and Employability through addressing them as a single system and modifying governance arrangements to reflect that system level strategic thinking. It is intended that this broadening, through a single body, will better enable and facilitate delivery of Mayoral priorities. The recommendations are made to facilitate growth through strong cross-cutting partnership working across the public and private sectors.</p>	
<p>93</p>	<p>EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC</p> <p>Agreed - that, in accordance with the provision of Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public (including the press) be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business, minute 94 on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act, relating to an individual and that the public interest test in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest test in disclosing the information.</p>	

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94	<p>APPOINTMENT OF SENIOR OFFICERS</p> <p>The Strategic Director of HR & OD submitted a report which requested the Board to note appointments to senior posts made by recent Employment Panels, in line with the Hull and East Yorkshire Combined Authority (HEYCA) Constitution.</p> <p>Agreed – that the Board notes the decisions of Employment Panel to appoint:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Joseph Quinn to the post of Executive Director of Operations at a salary of £125,000 per annum • Chris Blucke to the post of Programme Director – Transport at a salary of £95,000 per annum. <p><u>Reasons for Recommendations</u></p> <p>Both preferred candidates were interviewed by the Employment Panel, considered to be the best candidates and therefore appointed by Employment Panel all in accordance with HEYCA’s Constitution.</p>	
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Report to the Combined Authority

29 May 2026

**Hull and East Yorkshire Combined Authority Governance Arrangements –
HEYCA AGM**

Report of the Interim Monitoring Officer

Report Status:

This item is not exempt

1. Purpose of the Report and Summary

- 1.1. The Combined Authorities (Overview and Scrutiny Committees, Access to Information and Audit Committees) Order 2017 (the 2017 Order) sets out the required arrangements that apply to HEYCA's Scrutiny and Audit committees.
- 1.2. It is necessary for each of the two Constituent Councils (the **Councils**) of the Authority (Hull City Council and East Riding of Yorkshire Council) to propose members of the two Councils for appointment to the Scrutiny and Audit Committees.
- 1.3. The appointments of members to HEYCA's Executive Board as Combined Authority Members must be considered as must appointments to external bodies.
- 1.4. Consideration of the role of Deputy Mayor in accordance with articles 2.8 and 2.9 and articles 4.6 to 4.11 inclusive of HEYCA's constitution.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 To confirm that the Leader and Deputy Leader of Hull City Council and East Riding of Yorkshire Councils as Combined Authority Members and the designation of the Leader of each Council as Lead Member for that Council; and the appointment of named substitute Members and to confirm the Portfolio arrangements.
- 2.2 To consider the role of Deputy Mayor of HEYCA and, in recognition of the challenges in that regard, instruct the Head of Paid Service and Monitoring Officer to correspond with MHCLG for the purposes of clarification.
- 2.3 To confirm the following:

- i. the Humberside Police and Crime Commissioner as a Non-Constituent Member of the Authority;
- ii. the Chair of the Hull and East Yorkshire Skills Board and the Chair of the Hull and East Yorkshire Business Board as Associate Members of the Combined Authority, and
- iii. request that each confirm their named substitute to act as a Combined Authority Member in their absence.

2.4 To confirm the members from each Constituent Council for each of HEYCA's Scrutiny and Audit committees.

2.5 To confirm that the Mayor is HEYCA's representative on the Board of Transport for the North.

3 Reasons for Recommendations

3.1 To ensure HEYCA continues to have a governance framework in place to facilitate its operation in accordance with relevant applicable statutory requirements and its own constitution at all times, thereby enabling efficient operation.

3.2 The 2017 Order provides that the members of each of the Overview and Scrutiny and Audit and Governance Committees (the **Scrutiny and Audit Committees**) taken as a whole must reflect so far as reasonably practicable the balance of political parties for the time being prevailing among members of the constituent councils when taken together. Section 15(5) of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 sets out the normal hierarchy of principles that are applied when determining the membership of Committees. These principles have been applied in arriving at the proposed allocations.

4 Background

4.1 This report supports HEYCA's continued governance framework and this meeting is HEYCA's first formal AGM following the election of the Mayor.

5 Issues for consideration

Constitution and Functions

5.1 HEYCA's Constitution is in six parts comprising Introduction, Articles, Responsibility for Functions, Procedure Rules, Ethical Standards and Members' allowance scheme. HEYCA's Constitution is currently being reviewed by the Interim Monitoring Officer in a range of areas and a report accompanying proposed amendments for consideration will be progressed through HEYCA's governance processes later in 2026.

5.2 The Mayor can exercise certain of his functions autonomously as these have been devolved directly from Central Government to that post, namely:

- Section 17(3) of the Housing Act 1985 (compulsory acquisition of land for housing purposes);
- Acquisition of land by CPO under Section 9(2) of the Housing and Regeneration Act 2008;
- Power to levy a supplement on business rates under the Business Rates Supplements Act 2009;
- Develop the Local Transport Plan (Section 108, 109 and 112 of the Transport Act 2000);
- Provision of grants to bus service operators (under Section 154 Transport Act 2000);
- Power to pay grants under Section 31 of the Local Government Act 2003;
- Power to give a direction about the exercise of a highways power to the Constituent Councils on the Key Route Network

The following powers under the Localism Act 2011:

- Designation of Mayoral development areas and to keep them under review (sections 197, 199 and 215);
- Transfers of property etc to a Mayoral development corporation (section 200);
- Power to designate the Mayoral Development Corporation as the Local Planning Authority for that area (section 202 and 204);
- Power to grant discretionary relief from non-domestic rates for the Mayoral development area (section 214);

The Mayor may create joint arrangements (joint committees) with the Authority, other Combined Authorities, the Constituent Councils, and other councils for the exercise of their powers jointly.

5.3 HEYCA is responsible for any HEYCA function which is not the responsibility of the Mayor. Proposed decisions can be put forward by the Mayor or any Authority Member.

Committees and Membership

5.4 Schedule 5A of the Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Act 2009 (the 2009 Act) sets out the primary legal framework within which HEYCA's Scrutiny Committee will continue to:

- a. review or scrutinise decisions taken, including the power to direct that a decision is not implemented while it is under review and the power to recommend that the decision be reconsidered;
- b. require members or officers of HEYCA to attend before it to answer questions (and to invite others to attend and answer questions);
- c. make reports or recommendations to HEYCA, and
- d. make reports or recommendations to HEYCA on matters that affect HEYCA's area or the inhabitants of the area.

and within which HEYCA's Audit Committee will continue to:

- a. review and scrutinise HEYCA's financial affairs;
- b. review and assess HEYCA's risk management, internal control and corporate governance arrangements;
- c. review and assess the economy, efficiency and effectiveness with which resources have been used in discharging HEYCA's functions; and
- d. make reports and recommendations to HEYCA in relation to reviews conducted under (a) to (c).

6 Equalities Impact Information

6.1 An Equality Impact Analysis was undertaken a part of the statutory consultation upon the creation of a Combined Authority. It concluded that:

“Considering that underlying programming/projects led by the proposed HEYCA will be subject to the Public Sector Equality Duty and must consider the impact of individual projects on protected characteristic groups, it is believed unlikely that the Proposal will result in adverse impact or any type of prohibited conduct upon people with this protected characteristic. However, it is acknowledged that proactive and targeted approaches at times may be necessary to reach particular groups to address specific challenges, and this active intervention should be encouraged where disadvantage exists in any respect within Hull and East Yorkshire.”

6.2 This initial Equality Impact Analysis is considered to remain valid. This report seeks to confirm the governance arrangements to facilitate the operation of HEYCA and as such there are no direct equality impacts.

7 Options and Risk Assessment

7.1 Option 1 – Agree the proposed governance arrangements. This is the recommended option.

There are no inherent governance risks in the recommendations which enable HEYCA to comply with relevant applicable legislation, its constitution and good governance practices. Any potential risks are mitigated by the continued review of the Constitution which will be completed and brought forward in later in 2026.

7.2 Option 2 - Do not approve the proposed governance arrangements.

In not doing so, or in adopting an alternative approach that does not equally conform to relevant applicable regulation and good practice, HEYCA may be unable to continue operating under efficient and

effective governance arrangements that are in accordance with the legislative framework.

8. Legal Implications and Monitoring Officer Comments

8.1 The main legal implications are set out within the body of this report.

9. **Financial Implications and Statutory Financial Officer comments**

9.1 Any applicable financial implications are set out within the body of this report and the Constitution.

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Report to the Combined Authority

29 May 2026

Report of the Interim Monitoring Officer

Combined Authority Meeting Schedule 2026/27

Report Status:

This item is not exempt

Therefore exempt reasons are not applicable

This is a non-key decision.

1. **Purpose of the Report and Summary**

- 1.1 To propose a schedule of meetings for the 2026/27 Municipal Year as required by the Hull and East Yorkshire Combined Authority Constitution.

2. **Recommendations**

- 2.1 That the Combined Authority approves the dates and time of the ordinary meetings and committee meetings of the Combined Authority for the municipal year 2026/27 in accordance with the attached schedule (Appendix1).

3. **Reasons for Recommendations**

- 3.1 Proposing a schedule of meetings at the Authority's annual meeting is a requirement of the Hull and East Yorkshire Combined Authority Constitution.
- 3.2 Setting the meetings schedule at the start of the Municipal Year will ensure that the Authority is transparent in its approach to decision making and allow all members the opportunity to ensure their future availability.

4. **Background**

4.1 The Schedule of the Authority's Committees and Commissions is currently organised to ensure as few meeting clashes as possible.

5. **Issues for Consideration**

5.1 As the Authority develops over time there may be a need to alter this schedule, this can be done in consultation with the Monitoring Officer and subject to the availability of a majority of members on each Board/Committee.

6. **Equalities Impact Information**

6.1 The report provides details of the schedule of committee meetings over the municipal year, there are therefore no direct equalities impacts.

7. **Options and Risk Assessment**

7.1 **Approve the dates as per the attached schedules.**

Proposing a schedule of meetings at the Annual General Meeting is a requirement of Authority's Constitution.

This ensures that the meetings schedule is established at the start of the Municipal Year and that the Authority remains transparent in its approach to decision making. Doing so also enables all Members the opportunity to ensure their future availability and mitigates any future meeting clashes.

There is no risk associated with this option.

This is the recommended option.

7.2 **Do not approve the dates as per the attached schedules.**

Arranging the schedule to take account of all of the meetings of the Authority is a significant undertaking. Any changes proposed to any of the meeting dates will potentially have an impact on the availability of members who attend those Committees and staff resources in support.

The absence of an agreed schedule of meetings may cause delays in the decision-making process and would present a risk of the Authority being unable to effectively discharge its governance arrangements. As the proposed schedule of meetings is a requirement of the Authority's Constitution, this Option is not recommended.

This option is not recommended.

8. **Legal Implications and Statutory Officer Comments**

8.1 The Combined Authority is required to agree a schedule of meetings in accordance with its Constitution.

9. **Financial Implications and Statutory Officer comments**

9.1 There are no financial implications arising from the recommendations within this report.

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Officer Interests:

None

Appendices:

Background Documents:

