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OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

14:00

16th SEPTEMBER 2026

ERGO BUSINESS CENTRE, HESSLE, HU13 0GD

AGENDA

Membership

Councillor Richard Meredith	(Chair)
Councillor Rhiannon Beeson	
Councillor Jonathan Bibb	
Councillor Mark Collinson	
Councillor Andrew Cousins	
Councillor Lisa Graham	
Councillor Denis Healy	
Councillor Barbara Jeffreys	
Councillor Shane McMurray	
Councillor Christine Randall	
Councillor Abhimanyu Singh	
Councillor Amanda Talbot	

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	Item	Page(s)	Suggested Timings (pm)
1	Apologies To note the apologies for absence received in advance of the meeting. <i>(Please notify Democratic Services before the meeting)</i>	N/A	1 Minute (2:00 – 2:01)
2	Declarations Of Interest To receive declarations of interest in respect of agenda items	N/A	2 Minutes (2:01 – 2:03)
3	Minutes of the Meeting Held on 22 July 2026 To approve the minutes as a true and correct record.	5 -	2 Minutes (2:03 – 2:05)
4	Chair's Overview To receive an overview from the Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee.	N/A	5 Minutes (2:05 – 2:10)
5	Local Growth Plan (LGP) 1. To receive an update on the LGP progress 2. KPI & Baseline Metrics Report Author/Lead Officer: Andrew Hewitt, Programme Director of Economy and Investment.		60 minutes (2:10 – 3:10)
	Meeting Break		10 Minutes (3:10 – 3:20)
6	Transport And Connectivity To receive a progress update on statutory local transport delivery plan, ahead of the submission to the Department of Transport. Report Author/Lead Officer: Christopher Blucke, Director of Transport and Connectivity.		60 minutes (3:20 – 4:20)
7	Executive Forward Plan of Decisions and Matters Arising		10 minutes (4:25 – 4:35)

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	To note the Executive Forward Plan and discuss matters arising.		
8	Scrutiny Work Programme To note the Scrutiny Work Programme as approved at the O&S Committee meeting on 20 May 2026. Report Author/Lead Officer: Kunwar Khan, Governance and Scrutiny lead		5 minutes (4:35 – 4:40)
9	Exclusion of the Press and Public To resolve 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, on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act, relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information).		2 minutes (4:40-4:42)
10	Concessionary Fares – Exempt Report To consider the exempt version of the report into Concessionary Fares. Report Author/Lead Officer: Christopher Blucke, Director of Transport and Connectivity.		20 minutes (4:42:5:02)

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Hull and East Yorkshire Combined Authority
Overview and Scrutiny Committee

22nd July 2026 2.00pm

Ergo, Bridgehead Business Park, Hessle

PRESENT:

Councillors Beeson, Bibb, Collinson (M.), Cousins, Graham (L.), Healy, Jeffreys, McMurray, Meredith (Chair), and Singh.

IN ATTENDANCE:

K. Khan (Governance and Scrutiny Lead), A. Menzies (Interim Chief Executive), J. Neilson (Interim Section 73 Officer), and P. Young (Democratic Services Officer).

Mayor Campbell (Hull and East Yorkshire Combined Authority).

J. Quinn (Executive Director Strategy, Devolution and Operations) – minute 4

A. Hewitt (Programme Director – Economy and Investment) – minute 5

APOLOGIES:

Councillor Talbot.

Minute No.	Description/Decision	Action By/Deadline
PROCEDURAL ITEMS		
1.	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST No declarations of interest were received in relation to the items that follow below.	
2.	MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 18 MARCH 2026 The Democratic Services Officer submitted the minutes of the meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday 18 March 2026 for approval. Members requested a change to the wording of minute 31, action c, so that there was no repetition of words.	

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	Agreed – a. That, minute 31 action c be amended to not include repetition of words. b. That, the minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 18 March 2026, are agreed, and having been printed and circulated, be taken as read, and correctly recorded and signed by the Chair.	
3.	CHAIR’S OVERVIEW The Chair welcomed Councillors Singh, Beeson and Graham (L.) to the Committee.	
4.	CONNECT TO WORK PROGRAMME The Executive Director of Strategy and Devolution Operation, accompanied by Mayor Campbell, presented an update to the Committee on the Connect to Work Programme. The Committee was provided with an overview of the briefing paper. The Committee discussed: i. There was a 60/40 balance to support residents in Hull and East Riding, respectively, through the Connect to Work Programme which was established by Department for Work and Pensions (DWP). However, the balance of support could be amended in future to meet the needs of each region. ii. The Programme would conclude in 2029/30 however referrals into the Programme would be managed accordingly at the time to address potential risks when closing the delivery phase. iii. The Programme would be monitored closely to ensure there was no duplication of work and funding by the Community Growth Fund.	

	iv. The Combined Authority aimed to localise the Programme and prioritise local skills and employment opportunities. v. Shaw Trust would deliver as the prime provider of the Programme, and a Teams Briefing with the Committee and the Shaw Trust was welcomed. vi. The Programme would be promoted through partnerships such as Hull Community and Voluntary Services Ltd (CVS), NHS, and Local Authorities. A marketing campaign targeted at local communities was also to be produced. vii. While the Programme focused on getting people into work, the Programme also addressed barriers as to why people could not get into work. viii. Local jobs were to be designed for local residents to encourage them to apply. The Executive Director of Strategy and Devolution Operation advised the Committee they would provide a written response to Members on community growth impacted by the Programme. Agreed – a. That, a written response be sent to Members on community growth; b. That, a Teams Briefing with Shaw Trust and the Committee take place at a future date; c. That, the Committee commend the good value represented by the proposals presented; d. That, the Committee promote the need with government for funding to continue indefinitely; e. That, details on transition arrangements for the Programme be shared with Members; f. That, there be partnership working of a complementary nature of programmes versus ring-fenced funding to ensure no duplications of work, and	a–g. Executive Director of Strategy and Devolution Operation
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	g. That, staffing arrangements, whether temporary or permanent, be locally contracted within a timely and robust timeframe while remaining compliant with relevant laws.	
5.	APPROACH TO INVESTMENTS The Programme Director for Economy and Investment submitted a report which set out the proposed approach to investment monitoring and reporting to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee in relation to the Hull and East Yorkshire Combined Authority (HEYCA) investment programme. The Committee was provided with an overview of the report. The Committee discussed: i. When referring to investment, this related to projects that looked to promote economic growth in the region, through the Local Growth Plan (LGP) or Gameplan. ii. Priorities were determined by how residents benefited from the investments and the Combined Authority aimed to generate social values of the region. iii. A varied approach would be taken to investments to ensure that the best projects in the region were considered for funding. iv. Proposals had been made for transport investments; however no decisions had been made at the current time. v. The Investment Board was advisory and had no powers in decision-making. Decisions relating to investments were agreed by the Executive Board. vi. The wording within the report was not clear and unreadable to those not familiar with the wording used. A summary at the end of each report, along with an appendix explaining acronyms, was recommended which summarised in brief terms the report.	

	vii. The Combined Authority's Greenbook would be reviewed on an annual basis and amended accordingly in line with changes introduced by central Government. viii. The proposal of handing more powers to Combined Authority Mayor's from central Government were expected to be introduced between October 2026 and March 2027. ix. The Committee welcomed opportunities to scrutinise third party investments to ensure that funding would be fed back into local communities. x. The application forms for investment should be simplified to encourage funding proposals. xi. The Mayoral Investment Fund was less than 10% of the funding received by the Combined Authority. xii. Investment proposals submitted to the Executive Board were exempt, however a briefing on key decisions could be presented to Overview and Scrutiny Committee under an exempt session. xiii. A range of projects would be funded through the Mayoral Investment Fund which would evidence joint partnership working across the region. The Committee recommended renaming the Investment Board to Investment Advisory Board to avoid confusion over its purpose and powers. Members also suggested that brief details of Investment Board Members be included on the HEYCA website so the public understand their role and purpose. Discussion took place around pre-decision scrutiny reports and allowing the Committee to view investment reports when a key decision is to be made. The Committee recommended the Executive Board consider facilitating Members to comment on a decision that would not be presented to the Committee.	
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Agreed –	a–e. Programme Director – Economy and Investment
a. That, the ending of each report presented to the Committee include a summary and that all reports contain explaining acronyms used within the report for ease of reference;	
b. That, an annual briefing be included on the Overview and Scrutiny Work Programme to review key decisions on investment made by the Executive Board;	
c. That, the Committee note and comment on the purpose and key provisions of the HEYCA Investment Framework (Appendix A), including the investment principles, governance arrangements, staged gateway process and monitoring and evaluation requirements;	
d. That, the Committee agree the proposed approach to investment monitoring and reporting set out in the report, including the three-component structure of the Investment Portfolio Dashboard, Investment Pipeline Dashboard, and Exception Reporting /Thematic Deep Dives;	
e. That, the Committee agree that officers bring the first Investment Portfolio Dashboard and Pipeline Dashboard to the Committee once the portfolio reaches a stage where substantive reporting is meaningful, with officers advising on the expected timing;	f. Executive Board
f. That, the Committee recommend to the Executive Board to determine if and when, both in timing and value, bring any investment decision to the Committee as pre-decision scrutiny, and	g. Programme Director – Economy and Investment
g. That, the Investment Board include a blurb of the Board’s powers along with a biography of each Board Member on the HEYCA website.	

6.	EXECUTIVE FORWARD PLAN OF DECISIONS AND MATTERS ARISING The Committee reviewed the Executive Forward Plan. Members noted that no forward decisions were included on the Forward Plan beyond July and requested this be clarified to ensure the Forward Plan was up to date. Agreed – a. The Committee noted the Executive Board Forward Plan, and b. That the published Forward Plan is updated to reflect future decisions.	b. Tony Maione, Strategic Director of Law & Governance (Monitoring Officer)
7.	SCRUTINY WORK PROGRAMME The Governance and Scrutiny Lead submitted a report for the Overview and Scrutiny Committee to consider the Scrutiny Work Programme for 2026-2027. The work programme was deliberated upon and shaped by Members in consultation with SLT at a dedicated in-person scrutiny workshop on 20th May 2026. Agreed – That, the Committee agreed the Scrutiny Work Programme 2026-27.	

Report for Overview & Scrutiny Committee

Report Title	Local Growth Plan (LGP): Delivery & KPI Baseline
Meeting date	16 th September 2026
Executive Board Date / Forward Plan Reference (if applicable)	This report does not constitute a decision and is not included in the Executive Board Forward Plan
Executive Portfolio Holder	N/A (Scrutiny function, see legislative framework)
Key Decision	No
Classification	Public Please note for any exempt item, it is good practice to provide a short, redacted covering report, along with any redacted annexes, to set out the key non-exempt information, options, and decisions. Exempt status should not prevent the publication of basic details necessary to support transparency and maintain public trust.
Report Author / Owner	Andrew Hewitt
Appendix A	N/A

1. Purpose

This report provides an update to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee on progress in implementing the Hull and East Yorkshire Local Growth Plan (LGP), following the Committee's consideration of the developing Plan in January 2026 and its subsequent consideration of the Combined Authority's investment approach in July 2026.

2. Executive Summary

- a) **Proposal:** The Combined Authority is developing an Outcomes Framework which will provide a consistent approach to understanding how its strategies, programmes and investments contribute to shared outcomes for the area.
- b) **Context and options:** The report represents the next stage in that scrutiny journey, moving from consideration of the strategic ambitions of the LGP, through consideration of how investment can support those ambitions, towards

consideration of how the Combined Authority will measure delivery, outcomes and impact.

- c) **Issues the proposal seeks to address:** The LGP provides the overarching strategic framework for sustainable economic growth across Hull and East Yorkshire. However, delivery of its ambitions is not dependent upon the LGP alone. A range of strategies, plans, programmes and investments across the Combined Authority's wider policy framework contribute to the achievement of the LGP's priorities.
- d) **Legal basis:** N/A
- e) **Indicative timeline in main report:** Ongoing.
- f) **Finance headlines:** This report does not seek approval for new expenditure or make new financial commitments. The Local Growth Plan provides the strategic framework through which HEYCA and its partners will identify, prioritise and develop future investment opportunities. Any proposals requiring Combined Authority funding, use of reserves, borrowing, external grant funding or other financial commitment will be brought forward through the relevant approval and assurance processes, supported by a clear business case and assessment of affordability, value for money, risk and deliverability
- g) **Risks noted:** N/A
- h) **Equalities and inclusion:** The Local Growth Plan is intended to support inclusive growth across Hull and East Yorkshire by improving access to employment, skills, investment, housing, transport and wider economic opportunity. Its priorities recognise that barriers to participation and prosperity are not experienced equally across communities, including people with protected characteristics, residents in areas of deprivation, and those economically inactive because of long-term sickness or disability. Individual programmes and investment decisions brought forward under the Plan will be subject to proportionate equality impact assessment and will need to demonstrate how they meet the Public Sector Equality Duty, including by advancing equality of opportunity and reducing disadvantage.

3. Recommendations for Overview & Scrutiny Committee

The Committee is invited to consider the emerging approach and how it will support future scrutiny of delivery, performance, value for money and impact.

The Committee is invited to:

- a) **Note** progress in translating the LGP from strategy into delivery, and the development of the Outcomes Framework connecting the LGP, investment and delivery to outcomes.

- b) **Comment** on whether this provides a clear line of sight from strategic priorities through to outcomes, and whether the interim reporting proposed at section 5 is sufficient pending a full baseline.
- c) **Agree** the priorities officers should address in completing the Outcomes Framework and KPI baseline.
- d) **Decide** whether to make any further recommendations on the pace or content of future performance reporting

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Report to the Scrutiny Committee

16 September 2026

Local Growth Plan: Strategy to Outcomes

Report of the Programme Director: Economy & Investment

Report Status:

This item is not exempt

Therefore exempt reasons are not applicable

1. Purpose of the Report and Summary

- 1.1 This report updates the Committee on progress in delivering the Local Growth Plan (LGP), following its consideration of the Plan in January 2026 and the Combined Authority's investment approach in July 2026.
- 1.2 The LGP sets out a long-term ambition for growth across Hull and East Yorkshire. HEYCA will play a leading role in convening partners and directing investment; however, successful delivery will depend on collective action across the area and cannot be achieved by HEYCA alone.
- 1.3 The Scrutiny Committee asked this report to cover baseline values, outcome-based metrics for each of the four Big Plays, and performance trend analysis, alongside an update on mobilisation. This report addresses mobilisation and Gameplan alignment in full. It cannot yet offer a completed KPI baseline or trend data, because the Outcomes Framework that will underpin both is still being developed.

2. Recommendations

The Committee is invited to:

- a) **Note** progress in translating the LGP from strategy into delivery, and the development of the Outcomes Framework connecting the LGP, investment and delivery to outcomes.
- b) **Comment** on whether this provides a clear line of sight from strategic priorities through to outcomes, and whether the interim reporting proposed at section 5 is sufficient pending a full baseline.
- c) **Agree** the priorities officers should address in completing the Outcomes Framework and KPI baseline.
- d) **Decide** whether to make any further recommendations on the pace or content of future performance reporting.

3. **Reasons for Recommendations**

- 3.1 Achieving the Plan's ambitions will require contributions from partners across the area, including the constituent councils, the Humber Freeport, businesses, education and skills providers, universities, the voluntary and community sector and other public and private sector partners.
- 3.2 The emerging Outcomes Framework will provide a common way of connecting the LGP and wider policy framework to delivery, investment and measurable outcomes.

4. **Background**

- 4.1 The LGP does not stand alone. It sits within a wider policy framework spanning transport, skills, housing, business and investment, all of which contribute to the same overarching ambitions. The Outcomes Framework will identify the interdependencies between these strategies and show where closer alignment can increase their collective impact.
- 4.2 It is a place-based strategy for Hull and East Yorkshire rather than solely a Combined Authority delivery plan. While HEYCA will lead or deliver some activity directly, achieving the intended outcomes will depend on the collective contribution of constituent councils; the Humber Growth Board and wider Humber partners; the Humber Freeport; businesses; universities and colleges; the voluntary and community sector; and other public and private sector partners.

- 4.3 Its evidence base identified clear constraints on growth, which the four Big Plays were designed to address directly.

These include:

- An equity-investment gap, with 4.25 funding rounds per 1,000 businesses compared with 7.29 nationally;
- A skills-match rate of 45%, below the average for comparable ITL2 areas;
- 26,300 residents economically inactive because of long-term sickness;
- A commercial vacancy rate that increased from below 2% in 2022 to more than 5% in 2024.

5. Mobilising Delivery

- 5.1 The LGP delivery activity falls into three categories: work already under way that now contributes to the LGP; new activity mobilised as a direct result of it; and activity where the strategy is agreed but the delivery model or funding is still being developed.

- 5.2 The below table sets out activity against each of the four 'Big Plays'.

Big Play Area	In Delivery	Mobilising	Under development
Good Jobs	Freeport and existing industrial programmes (Made Smarter/Growth Hub); Existing business support; AEB/employment programmes	Investment Board established and operating; Boot Camp Procurement Connect to Work; Adult Skills Fund devolution	Wider industrial investment pipeline; Scaling and productivity support; integrated Investment Strategy Skills/employment outcomes, including NEETs
Better Connected	Transport planning functions; Digital connectivity baseline	Local Transport Delivery Plan; Bus Service Improvement Plan and Enhanced Bus Partnership;	Statutory Local Transport Plan; Rail improvement business cases; Integrated ticketing and rapid transit feasibility

		Key Route Network agreement	
Fit & Healthy	Existing health and inactivity programmes	Neighbourhood Health; Mayoral Community Investment Fund; Get Hull and East Yorkshire Working Plan	Regional health inequalities strategy; Health Innovation Zone business case; targeted mental health/inactivity intervention
Great Places	Existing housing and regeneration programmes.	Brownfield Housing Funding; Strategic Place Partnership with Homes England East Bank Urban Village delivery	Spatial Development Strategy; carbon-neutral homes standard; full 5,400-home pipeline sequencing

- 5.3 **Investment pipeline and financial position:** Delivery is underpinned by the Integrated Settlement, the devolved Adult Skills Fund and the Humberside Freeport. HEYCA has completed an initial assessment of 131 potential projects against the LGP's eligibility and strategic fit criteria. A further seven projects have been recommended for feasibility work, with the remaining schemes either still in development or not currently progressing.

6 Proposed outcome areas

- 6.1 The Outcomes Framework will draw on two distinct types of measure, and it is worth being clear about the difference before setting out the proposed areas below.
- **Outcome measures** track the actual change HEYCA is trying to achieve in the economy and in people's lives. E.G higher skills-match rate, more residents in work, or a narrower investment gap. These tend to move slowly and are influenced by many factors beyond HEYCA's direct control. Collectively they answer the question: is the area getting better?
 - **Process (or delivery) measures** track the volume and pace of HEYCA's activity e.g, the number of learners supported, referrals made, or sites brought forward. These move quickly, can be reported quarterly or more often, and are within HEYCA's direct

control. Collectively they answer the question: is HEYCA doing what it said it would do?

Both are needed: process measures show whether delivery is on track, while outcome measures show whether it is making a difference

6.3 To give the Committee an early sense of direction, the seven growth conditions used as evidence for the LGP provide a natural starting point for the Outcomes Framework. Officers propose that these be tracked at a strategic, whole-economy level, alongside a second tier of process measures that track HEYCA's own programmes more directly.

6.4 The below sets out the early areas of consideration for outcome measures:

Growth condition	What would be measured	How it would be tracked
Investment	Equity funding rounds per 1,000 businesses; total equity value secured	Annual comparison against UK and regional benchmarks (currently 4.25 per 1,000 against 7.29 nationally)
Labour market	Skills-match rate; employment rate; economic inactivity due to long-term sickness	Annual movement against the current 45% skills-match rate and the 26,300 long-term sickness figure
Commercial space	Vacancy rate; net absorption of floorspace	Quarterly trend, against a rise from below 2% in 2022 to over 5% in 2024
Transport	Accessibility to employment centres; modal shift	DfT journey-time data, reviewed alongside Local Transport Plan milestones
Digital connectivity	Gigabit broadband coverage	Annual Ofcom data, with a focus on parity across coastal East Riding

Export	Export value as a share of GVA	Annual ONS subnational trade data, benchmarked against comparator authorities
Innovation	Proportion of innovation-active businesses; Innovate UK grant volume	Annual UK Innovation Survey data against the current 26.8% baseline

- 6.5 Alongside these outcome measures, officers propose a second tier of process measures that HEYCA can influence directly and report on more frequently. These are set out below.

Process measure	What it tracks	Reporting frequency
Adult Skills Fund learner numbers	Volume of residents supported into learning	Quarterly
Connect to Work referrals and outcomes	Volume of referrals and job outcomes achieved	Quarterly
Pipeline investment secured and jobs committed	Value of investment and jobs committed through the pipeline (section 4.3)	Quarterly
Housing completions	Number of homes completed against the pipeline	Quarterly
Public transport patronage	Bus and rail passenger numbers	Quarterly

7 Conclusion

- 7.1 This report outlines the early thinking on the emergent HEYCA outcomes framework. The process of developing the outcomes framework is underway but it is hoped that this report provides the scrutiny committee with the assurance that this process is being undertaken with a view to providing high quality baseline and trend data

which can be used in future years to accurately assess the performance of the combined authority against its key targets.

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Officer Interests: None

Appendices: None

Background Documents:

Report for Overview & Scrutiny Committee

Report Title	Transport and Connectivity, including the Local Transport Delivery Plan (LTDP) 2026-2030
Meeting date	16 th September 2026
Executive Board Date / Forward Plan Reference (if applicable)	Executive Board, 25th September 2026, Local Transport Delivery Plan (LTDP) 2026-2030
Executive Portfolio Holder	N/A (Scrutiny function, see legislative framework)
Key Decision	Yes
Classification	Public
Report Author / Owner	Christopher Blucke, Programme Director for Transport and Connectivity
Appendix A	A – LTDP Analysis Presentation

1. Purpose

To provide the Overview and Scrutiny Committee with an update on the development of the Hull and East Yorkshire Combined Authority (HEYCA) Local transport Delivery Plan (LTDP) 2026-2030 prior to consideration by the Executive Board on 25th September 2026 and subsequent submission to the Department for Transport (DfT) by 31st October 2026.

2. Executive Summary

a) **Proposal:**

The Executive Board is being asked to approve the Local Transport Delivery Plan (LTDP) 2026-2030 for submission to the Department for Transport. The LTDP establishes HEYCA's transport investment programme and strategic priorities for the period 2026/27 to 2029/30. It also establishes the basis of HEYCA's longer-term transport investment pipeline, providing a framework through which future schemes can be developed, assessed, prioritised and brought forward for delivery as funding opportunities arise.

b) **Context and options:**

The Department for Transport requires Combined Authorities and Local Transport Authorities receiving funding through the Local Transport Consolidated Funding

Settlement to prepare and submit a Local Transport Delivery Plan outlining how transport funding allocations will be invested. The LTDP has been developed collaboratively with Hull City Council and East Riding of Yorkshire Council and represents the first comprehensive transport investment programme prepared by HEYCA.

Collectively, the programme seeks to improve access to employment, education, healthcare and leisure opportunities whilst supporting healthier and more reliable journeys across Hull and East Yorkshire.

Two options have been considered:

Option 1: Approve the LTDP (recommended)

- Ensures compliance with DfT requirements
- Secures access to Government transport funding
- Provides a clear transport investment programme through to 2030
- Supports delivery of HEYCA transport and economic growth priorities
- Establishes a framework for monitoring delivery against local and national outcomes

Option 2: Do not approve the LTDP

- Allows additional review of schemes and allocations
- May delay DfT submission requirements
- Creates uncertainty around future funding allocations
- Would delay programme mobilisation and transport investment delivery

c) **Issues the proposal seeks to address:**

The LTDP provides a strategic framework for investment across:

- Highways maintenance
- Road improvements
- Public transport
- Active travel
- Digital innovation, data and technology
- Information and marketing
- Future transport development initiatives

The draft LTDP includes a balanced programme of highways maintenance, public transport, active travel, digital innovation and strategic transport development activities delivered through HEYCA, Hull City Council and East Riding of Yorkshire Council. The largest proportion of investment is directed towards maintaining and improving the highway network, reflecting the volume of funding in this space and the importance of network reliability, resilience, freight connectivity and the Key Route Network in supporting economic growth across Hull and East Yorkshire. The programme also includes substantial investment in supported bus services, active travel infrastructure, road safety improvements, electric vehicle infrastructure and the development of future transport schemes.

The LTDP is supported by over £280 million of funding over four years, drawn from a range of Government transport funding streams including Highways Maintenance Block funding, Local Transport Grant funding and Local Authority Bus Grant funding. Whilst some funding streams are subject to specific spending requirements, the Local Transport Grant provides greater flexibility to support HEYCA's strategic transport priorities and local investment decisions

The programme includes significant investment in supported bus services, bus infrastructure, real-time passenger information, accessibility improvements and measures intended to increase public transport use.

The LTDP contains a comprehensive programme of walking, wheeling and cycling investment informed by Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plans (LCWIPs) across the HEYCA region. Early delivery projects include pedestrian crossings, accessibility improvements, cycle connectivity schemes, school travel initiatives and improvements to strategic routes such as the National Cycle Network and Trans Pennine Trail. These proposals directly support the DfT outcomes relating to active travel participation, modal shift and healthier communities.

The LTDP also includes a number of digital and innovation projects intended to improve network management and customer experience including real-time passenger information systems, smart traffic and signal management technologies, bus performance monitoring tools and the development of a regional multi-modal transport model to support future investment decisions.

Future programme development activity includes work to improve rail connectivity, including development work relating to Melton Parkway station, improved east-west rail connectivity, accessibility improvements at stations, rail-freight opportunities, further investigation into rail electrification and the preparation of a Passenger and Rail Freight Strategy.

The plan supports delivery of the Mayor's priorities, the emerging Local Growth Plan and national transport objectives while improving connectivity, accessibility and economic growth across Hull and East Yorkshire

d) **Legal basis:**

Submission of a Local Transport Delivery Plan is a requirement of the Department for Transport's Local Transport Consolidated Funding Settlement agreements. Individual schemes will remain subject to the appropriate statutory approvals, procurement requirements and governance processes.

The DfT has made continued access to Local Transport Consolidated Funding conditional upon the preparation, submission and annual maintenance of a LTDP. The LTDP must demonstrate how transport funding will contribute to delivery of the national Local Transport Outcomes Framework and provide a clear programme of schemes, interventions and investment packages over the funding period. The DfT has indicated that delivery performance, programme reporting and future funding allocations will be assessed against this framework.

The LTDP has therefore been developed to align with both national and local priorities and will provide the principal mechanism through which HEYCA demonstrates value for money, delivery performance, accessibility, equality compliance and transport outcomes to the Government. Annual updates and ongoing performance reporting will be required throughout the funding period.

e) **Indicative timeline in main report:**

Milestone	Date
Overview and Scrutiny Committee	16 September 2026
Executive Board Consideration	25 September 2026
Submission to Department of Transport	31 October 2026

f) **Finance headlines:**

The LTDP allocates in excess of £280 million of capital and revenue funding between 2026/27 and 2029/30, comprising a combination of capital and revenue funding streams. The programme has been developed collaboratively with Hull City Council and East Riding of Yorkshire Council and allocates investment across highways maintenance, public transport, active travel, road safety, digital innovation, decarbonisation and future transport development activities.

The funding package comprises a number of separate Department for Transport funding streams including:

- Highways Maintenance Block funding
- Local Transport Grant funding
- Local Authority Bus Grant funding
- Other transport-specific revenue and capital allocations

Whilst the LTDP provides a single investment programme, individual funding streams are subject to funding conditions and expectations which influence how funding can be allocated. The greatest level of local flexibility is provided through the Local Transport Grant, which enables investment across a broad range of transport priorities, including connectivity, active travel, public transport, network management and future transport development. The LTDP has been assessed against both DfT and HEYCA outcomes frameworks.

A significant proportion of the overall funding settlement is specifically allocated by Government for highway maintenance activities, which influences the overall profile of investment across the programme.

The proposed programme should be viewed as the first iteration of a long-term transport investment pipeline rather than a fixed programme of works. Current allocations reflect a combination of existing local authority programmes, previously agreed investment commitments and emerging HEYCA priorities. However, the DfT expects LTDPs to be updated annually and the programme will continue to evolve in response to delivery

performance, funding availability, strategic priorities, transport outcomes and the continued development of HEYCA as the strategic transport authority for Hull and East Yorkshire. As HEYCA's transport functions mature, future iterations of the LTDP are expected to reflect an increasing emphasis on Combined Authority-led strategic planning, transport integration, regional connectivity and the development of larger-scale investment opportunities.

In developing the LTDP, HEYCA has also had regard to DfT guidance which recognises that local transport programmes may include a degree of over-programming. This reflects the reality that transport schemes can be delayed, rephased, rescope or, in some circumstances, withdrawn. Maintaining a broader pipeline of potential schemes helps ensure available funding can continue to be invested productively where delivery opportunities arise, reducing the risk of funding remaining unspent and supporting the overall delivery of transport outcomes. Any such approach remains subject to appropriate governance, affordability considerations and the availability of funding.

In addition to delivering transport improvements during the funding period, the LTDP includes investment in scheme development, feasibility studies, business case preparation and evidence gathering activities. These activities are intended to ensure HEYCA and its constituent authorities maintain a strong pipeline of future investment opportunities capable of securing additional funding and supporting long-term transport ambitions.

Transport investment programmes typically operate over multiple years and often require funding to be committed well in advance of delivery. Programmes can be influenced by a range of internal and external factors, including scheme development and design requirements, statutory approvals, procurement processes, market conditions, inflationary pressures, construction costs, funding announcements, stakeholder feedback and evolving Government policy. It is therefore essential that the LTDP retains sufficient flexibility to allow funding allocations and annual spending profiles to be reviewed and adjusted over time. This flexibility ensures that investment can be redirected where necessary to maximise delivery, secure value for money, respond to emerging opportunities and risks, and continue to support the transport and connectivity priorities of Hull and East Yorkshire.

Approval of the LTDP does not itself constitute approval of individual schemes beyond existing delegations, statutory requirements and governance arrangements. Individual schemes and projects will continue to be subject to appropriate business case development, affordability assessment and decision-making processes.

g) **Risks noted:**

Key risks identified include:

- Future inflationary pressures may require programme reprioritisation or reallocation of resources
- Individual schemes remain subject to business case development and affordability assessments

- Additional funding may be required to deliver schemes beyond the current funding settlement period
- Delays in approval could impact DfT submission requirements and future funding certainty

The DfT has indicated that future funding allocations may be reduced, withheld or recovered where delivery does not progress in accordance with approved LTDP, where funding remains significantly uncommitted, or reporting and monitoring requirements are not met. Robust programme governance, performance monitoring and annual LTDP updates will therefore be required throughout the funding period.

h) **Equalities and inclusion:**

In addition to the Equality Act 2010 and Public Sector Equality Duty requirements, DfT guidance places a specific expectation on local transport authorities to embed accessibility and inclusive design throughout scheme development and delivery. Authorities are expected to assess equality impacts throughout project lifecycles, co-design transport interventions with disabled people and adopt an end-to-end journey approach that considers the interaction between transport modes and the wider public realm.

The LTDP supports these objectives through investment in concessionary travel, supported bus services, community transport, active travel infrastructure, accessible public transport enhancements (such as bus stop accessibility) and measures intended to improve connectivity for rural communities, older people, disabled residents and young people. Additional specific examples include dropped kerbs, tactile paving and pedestrian crossing schemes and walking and cycling improvements providing access to schools, healthcare, employment and rail stations.

Future scheme development will include appropriate Equality Impact Assessments and engagement with affected communities.

i) **Any other relevant details:**

The LTDP places considerable emphasis on supporting the emerging KRN, with many of the major maintenance and improvement schemes focused on strategic corridors and junctions that support freight movement, commercial activity, access to ports and wider economic growth. Examples include work associated with:

- Humber Bridge Roundabout
- Dunswell Roundabout
- Hull East Roundabouts
- Howden Relief Road
- A164 and A1079 corridors
- Strategic bridge and structures maintenance programmes

This reflects the Mayor's wider connectivity ambition and the emerging Local Growth Plan objectives of improving network resilience and enabling growth.

The LTDP has been assessed against the DfT Local Transport Outcomes Framework which establishes the national measures against which local transport authorities will be monitored. The framework focuses on the overarching outcome that “communities are better connected by healthier, safer and greener transport that meets the needs of all users and drives growth”

Key outcome areas include:

- Public transport mode share and connectivity to employment, education, health and community services.
- Bus patronage, reliability, punctuality, accessibility and passenger satisfaction.
- Walking, wheeling and cycling participation and network delivery.
- Highway asset condition and local authority capability.
- Road safety performance, including the reduction of those killed or seriously injured.
- Air quality and transport decarbonisation outcomes.
- Zero-emission bus fleet deployment and electric vehicle charging infrastructure.
- Programme delivery and capital spend performance.

The LTDP has been designed to support positive movement across these indicators through investment in highway maintenance, public transport, active travel infrastructure, digital innovation, accessibility improvements and strategic transport connectivity. The framework will also form the basis of future monitoring and reporting to Overview and Scrutiny Committee, the Executive Board and the Government

The programme also includes a significant focus on the Key Route Network, with a substantial proportion of planned investment supporting network reliability, economic productivity and freight connectivity across the region.

The LTDP has been developed using a combination of local priorities, existing commitments, deliverability considerations, available funding and expected contribution towards HEYCA and DfT outcomes. Future updates to the LTDP will continue to utilise structured assessment and prioritisation processes to ensure that investment is directed towards proposals that provide the greatest strategic and public value.

3. Recommendations for Overview & Scrutiny Committee

The Overview and Scrutiny Committee is invited to:

- Analyse** the proposed Local Transport Delivery Plan 2026-2030 and its alignment with HEYCA’s strategic transport, connectivity and economic growth objectives
- Comment** on the proposed approach to transport investment prioritisation, programme delivery and the outcomes framework assessment contained within the LTDP
- Agree** any areas where further information, monitoring arrangements or performance measures should be developed prior to submission of the LTDP to the Department for Transport and consideration by the Executive Board

- iv. **Decide** whether to make and agree any constructive and practical scrutiny recommendations to the Executive Board regarding approval of the Local Transport Delivery Plan 2026-30
- v. **Consider** whether progress against the LTDP should be reported annually to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee, including updates on delivery performance, transport outcomes, programme expenditure and Key Route Network investment.

Report for Overview & Scrutiny Committee

Report Title	Transport and Connectivity, including the Concessionary Travel Operating Hours Alignment Across Hull and East Yorkshire
Meeting date	16 th September 2026
Executive Board Date / Forward Plan Reference (if applicable)	Executive Board, 25 th September 2026 – Concessionary Travel Operating Hours Alignment Across Hull and East Yorkshire
Executive Portfolio Holder	N/A (Scrutiny function, see legislative framework)
Key Decision	Yes
Classification	Public Please note for any exempt item, it is good practice to provide a short, redacted covering report, along with any redacted annexes, to set out the key non-exempt information, options, and decisions. Exempt status should not prevent the publication of basic details necessary to support transparency and maintain public trust.
Report Author / Owner	Christopher Blucke, Programme Director for Transport and Connectivity
Appendix A	None

1. Purpose

To provide the Overview and Scrutiny Committee with an opportunity to consider the principle of aligning concessionary travel operating hours and the associated funding approach across the Hull and East Yorkshire Combined Authority area from 1st April 2027, ahead of consideration by the Executive Board on 25th September 2026.

This report does not seek approval of a fully harmonised concessionary travel scheme. Rather, it seeks to consider whether a common operating hours approach should be adopted and whether a corresponding funding principle should be established following the transfer of concessionary fares responsibilities to HEYCA.

The report does not seek decision regarding future scheme administration arrangements, wider scheme harmonisation, card issuance arrangements, operating reimbursement methodologies, governance arrangements or future delivery models.

2. Executive Summary

Key Message: This report seeks agreement in principle to align concessionary travel operating hours and establish a fair funding approach across Hull and East Yorkshire from April 2027. It does not seek approval of a fully harmonised concessionary fare scheme.

a) **Proposal:**

The Executive Board will be asked to agree the principle of aligning concessionary travel operating hours and the associated funding approach across Hull and East Yorkshire from 1st April 2027.

The proposal is intended to establish a fair and consistent funding framework following the transfer of concessionary fares responsibilities to HEYCA and does not represent approval of a fully harmonised concessionary fare scheme.

As a minimum, the proposed funding principle is that any HEYCA funding made available to support an enhanced concessionary fare offer in the East Riding of Yorkshire would also be made available to support an equivalent enhancement in Hull. Any funding above this minimum position would be subject to further modelling, recommendations and approval.

b) **Context and options:**

At present, concessionary travel arrangements differ across the Combined Authority geography.

Both authorities participate in the English National Concessionary Travel Scheme (ENCTs), which provides free off-peak bus travel for eligible older and disabled persons. However, Hull City Council currently provides additional local enhancements allowing eligible pass holders to travel free of charge before 09:30 and after 23:00 on journeys commencing within Hull, while East Riding of Yorkshire Council provides only the statutory national entitlement.

The transfer of transport responsibilities to HEYCA presents an opportunity to align concessionary travel operating hours and establish common funding principles across Hull and East Yorkshire. Aligning operating hours would provide residents across Hull and East Yorkshire with a more consistent concessionary travel entitlement while maintaining local flexibility ahead of any future decisions on wider scheme harmonisation.

In considering future concessionary travel arrangements, it is also important to recognise that the national policy environment is evolving. The Government has announced its intention to introduce a £2 maximum single bus fare cap from April 2027 and has confirmed that, from 1st April 2027, disabled concessionary bus pass holders will be entitled to free bus travel at any time of day, removing existing week day time restrictions. These changes will have implications for passenger demand, operator reimbursement levels, affordability and the future design of any local concessionary travel enhancements. As a result, further work is required before a final longer-term scheme can be recommended.

The options presented should be considered in the context of aligning concessionary travel operating hours and associated funding arrangements only. The options do not represent alternative models for a fully harmonised concessionary fare scheme. Wider scheme harmonisation will require further analysis and future decisions.

Three options have been assessed:

Option 1: Maintain Existing Local Schemes

Advantages:

- No immediate additional financial pressures
- Maintains local flexibility.
- Minimises disruption during the Combined Authority transition process.

Disadvantages

- Retains inconsistencies across the Combined Authority area.
- Creates customer confusion.
- Reduces strategic alignment with Combined Authority objectives.
- Misses opportunities to develop a unified transport offer.

Option 2: Align operating hours to the National Minimum Standard (Discounted)

Advantages:

- Reduced financial commitment (from Hull City Council)
- Simpler administration
- Easier implementation

Disadvantages:

- Removal of existing benefits for Hull residents
- Significant reputational and political risks
- Potential adverse impacts on vulnerable passengers
- Likely stakeholder opposition

This option has been discounted as HEYCA does not have the authority to require Hull City Council to withdraw or cease funding its existing enhanced concessionary fare arrangements unless HEYCA takes on full responsibility for the Concessionary Fares Scheme. When HEYCA assumes full responsibility for the scheme, Hull City Council could still choose to fund the enhanced journeys; however, this funding would need to be paid to HEYCA and agreed through the annual reimbursement process.

Option 3: Align operating hours and funding principles through an Enhanced Scheme (preferred option)

Advantages:

- Consistent concessionary travel offer across the Combined Authority area.
- Supports accessibility and social inclusion objectives.
- Encourages greater bus use and modal shift.
- Supports vulnerable and lower income residents.
- Strengthens HEYCA's integrated transport offer.

Disadvantages

- Additional ongoing revenue costs
- Increased concessionary reimbursement liabilities.
- Requires identification of sustainable funding agreements.

c) Issues the proposal seeks to address:

The proposal is primarily intended to:

- Establish a common approach to concessionary travel operating hours from April 2027.
- Establish a fair funding principle between the constituent authorities.
- Prepare for the transfer of concessionary fare responsibilities to HEYCA.
- Reduce inconsistencies in customer entitlement relating to operating hours; and
- Support social inclusion and accessibility through a more consistent approach to concessionary travel operating hours.

The proposal is not intended to deliver full concessionary fares harmonisation at this stage. Further work is being undertaken with the constituent authorities to understand wider differences between existing concessionary travel schemes, including administration, governance, reimbursement arrangements and operational processes.

This work will continue beyond the Executive Board decision-making process and will not be complete in time for the proposed April 2027 implementation of aligned operating hours, with scheme publication due by December 2026.

Any future proposal for full scheme harmonisation will be brought forward separately and would be subject to its own governance, consultation and decision-making processes.

d) Legal basis:

The Combined Authority is expected to assume responsibility for concessionary travel arrangements as part of the transfer of transport functions under the devolution arrangements. Any revised scheme must comply with the statutory requirement of the ENCTs and associated reimbursement regulations.

The Government has also announced that from 1st April 2027 disabled concessionary bus pass holders will be able to travel free of charge at any time of day, removing

existing weekday time restrictions. This will establish a new national baseline that must be reflected in future financial and operating modelling.

In addition, the Government has announced its intention to introduce a £2 maximum single bus fare cap from April 2027. Whilst the detailed implementation arrangements are still being developed nationally, the interaction between concessionary reimbursement arrangements, passenger demand and fare policy will need to be fully understood before any financial recommendations are made regarding a fully harmonised concessionary fare scheme across Hull and East Yorkshire.

e) **Indicative timeline in main report:**

Milestone	Date
Overview & Scrutiny Committee	16 th September 2026
Executive Board Consideration	25 th September 2026
Aligned Scheme Operating Hours Implementation	1 st April 2027
Full HEYCA Operational Responsibility for Concessionary Fares (proposed) *this milestone is included for context only and is not part of the decision sought through this report	April 2028

f) **Finance headlines:**

Detailed financial modelling is currently being undertaken by consultancy experts and will not be complete until 18th September 2026. Consequently, all figures contained within this report should be regarded as indicative only. Final financial modelling outputs and recommendations will be presented to the Executive Board on 25th September 2026.

The purpose of the financial analysis is to assess the cost of aligning concessionary travel operating hours and to inform the associated funding approach. It is not intended to determine the costs of a fully harmonised concessionary fares scheme at this stage.

- Existing Hull City Council Reimbursement relating to enhanced concessionary hours: approximately [REDACTED]
- Indicative estimate increase in East Riding concessionary reimbursement associated with extending concessionary hours: approximately [REDACTED]

The principal funding proposal is that any HEYCA funding used to support enhanced concessionary operating hours in East Riding of Yorkshire will also be made available to support equivalent enhancements in Hull as a minimum position.

Financial modelling is also considering the potential implications of national policy changes, including the introduction of a £2 maximum single bus fare cap and the extension of 24-hour concessionary travel for disabled pass holders from April 2027.

Both changes may impact reimbursement arrangements, patronage levels and the overall affordability of any future local enhancements.

The figures remain subject to review, operator agreement and further modelling and should not be regarded as final costs for decision-making purposes. Even financially modelled calculations for concessionary fares are best estimates due to changes in patronage throughout the year.

Final modelling outputs will be presented to the Executive Board and may result in amendments to the indicative figures contained in this report.

g) **Risks noted:**

The main risks identified are:

- Additional ongoing revenue costs associated with an enhanced scheme.
- Increased concessionary fares reimbursement liabilities.
- Potential affordability challenges
- Reputational risks if existing entitlements are reduced.
- Political and stakeholder concerns should existing benefits be withdrawn.
- Delivery and implementation challenges associated with transferring responsibilities to HEYCA.
- National policy changes relating to bus fares and concessionary travel may materially alter demand forecasts and reimbursement assumptions.
- Financial modelling undertaken prior to publication of final Government guidance may require revision once implementation details are confirmed.

h) **Equalities and inclusion:**

Concessionary travel provides significant benefits for older people and disabled passengers supporting independence, access to service and social inclusion.

An aligned operating hours enhanced scheme is expected to have positive equality impacts by improving consistency of provision and accessibility across Hull and East Yorkshire. A full Equality Impact Assessment will be undertaken as part of the detailed scheme development process.

i) **Any other relevant details:**

The current proposal seeks approval of a funding and operating-hour principle only. It does not seek approval of a future delivery model, detailed scheme design or wider scheme harmonisation.

While not within the scope of this paper, the future recommendation for concessionary fares is that local authorities will continue delivering concessionary fare schemes during 2027/28, with the Combined Authority assuming delivery responsibility from April 2028. Any recommendation to extend local authority delivery arrangements would need to be developed in consultation with the constituent authorities and formally agreed through the relevant Combined Authority and local authority decision-making processes, similar to the approach taken for 2026/27 through the extension of the

Service Level Agreement (SLA). Staffing implications associated with future delivery arrangements, together with any scheme alignment considerations, are currently being assessed.

It should also be noted that the national concessionary travel framework will change from April 2027 through the introduction of all-day concessionary travel for disabled pass holders. Consequently, a proportion of any perceived local enhancement may already be delivered through national policy changes.

3. Recommendations for Overview & Scrutiny Committee

The Overview and Scrutiny Committee is invited to:

- i. **Analyse** the case for aligning concessionary travel operating hours and associate funding arrangements across Hull and East Yorkshire from April 2027.
- ii. **Comment** on the preferred approach of aligning concessionary travel operating hours and funding arrangements and the extent to which it supports accessibility, social inclusion and transport integration objectives.
- iii. **Agree** any areas where additional financial analysis, affordability considerations or implementation planning should be explored prior to Executive Board considerations.
- iv. **Decide** whether to make and agree any constructive and practical scrutiny recommendations to the Executive Board regarding the future development of an enhanced aligned operating hours concessionary travel scheme for the Combined Authority area.
- v. **Note** that the financial information available at this stage is indicative only and that final costs, funding recommendations and affordability assessment will be presented to the Executive Board following completion of the financial modelling exercise.

Hull and East Yorkshire Combined Authority

Forward Plan of Decisions

The Forward Plan is an indication of future decisions. It is subject to continual review and may be changed in line with any revisions to the priorities and plans of the Hull and East Yorkshire Combined Authority. It is re-published on a regular basis to reflect such changes.

Purpose

The Forward Plan sets out all the known decisions to be taken by the Combined Authority Board, Advisory Committees or by way of a Mayoral Decision Notice in the coming months. This makes sure that local residents, businesses and other organisations know what decisions are due to be taken and when. The Forward Plan is a live document which is updated regularly and published on the Combined Authority website (click the 'Forward Plan' button to view). At least 28 clear days' notice will be given of any key decisions to be taken (see below for meaning of "key decision") unless there are circumstances as to why this timescale is impracticable, in such cases the Authority has processes in place to ensure transparency in its decision making.

Commitment to Transparency

Hull and East Yorkshire Combined Authority is committed to the benefits that transparency can bring to effective decision-making, recognising that increased transparency can have a positive impact on performance, efficiency, accountability and delivering greater value for money. The Forward Plan therefore seeks to positively enable transparency by going beyond the publication of just key decisions. For transparency, the Forward Plan sets out all key decisions and seeks to set out all non-key decisions and update reports to be considered within the Authority's formal governance arrangements.

In accordance with the Combined Authorities (Overview and Scrutiny Committees, Access to Information and Audit Committees) Order 2017 (as amended), at least 28 clear days' notice, excluding the day of notification and the day of decision taking, must be

published on the Forward Plan of any intended key decision. In the further interests of transparency and driving greater accountability the Hull and East Yorkshire Combined Authority seeks to publish details of expected decisions at the earliest opportunity. In circumstances where there needs to be a decision made for which it is impracticable to meet this 28 day requirement we will publish the notice as soon as possible complying with our Constitution.

Exempt information need not be included in the Forward Plan and confidential information cannot be included. There may be times when a decision has not been published in the Forward Plan 28 days in advance. This is usually because the matter is urgent, and a decision has had to be made quickly. These decisions can still be made but are subject to the exemptions set out in our Constitution in the Access to Information Rules.

What is a Key Decision?

The definition of a key decision is found in law and in our Constitution. Our Constitution in Article 13: Decision-Making refers to a key decision as meaning a decision, which is likely to: (a) result in the Combined Authority or the Mayor spending or saving a significant amount, compared with the budget for the service or function the decision relates to (currently £1 million) ; or (b) have a significant effect on communities living or working in an area made up of two or more wards or electoral divisions in the Combined Authority area.

When assessing whether or not a decision is a key decision, Officers and Members must consider all the circumstances of the case. However, a decision which results in a significant amount spent or saved will not generally be a key decision if that amount is less than £1,000,000. All key decisions by law must be published on the Forward Plan.

Access to reports

A report will be available to view online one week before a decision is to be taken. You are entitled to view any documents listed on the Forward Plan after publication, or obtain extracts from any documents listed, subject to any restrictions on disclosure. There is no charge for viewing the documents, although charges may be made for photocopying and postage. The simplest way to access reports is via the Combined Authority website: [Hull and East Yorkshire Combined Authority/Governance and Meetings](#), here you can visit the agenda content for all published meetings. The Forward Plan will state if any reports or appendices are likely to be exempt from publication or confidential and may therefore be discussed in private.

If you wish to make representations that a decision which is proposed to be taken in private session should instead be taken in public session, then please contact the Monitoring Officer via: info@ca.hullandeastyorkshire.gov.uk at least 5 working days before the decision is due to be taken.

Notice of decisions

Notice of the decisions taken by the Combined Authority and its committees will be published online within three days of the meeting taking place.

Mayoral Decision Notices and Officer Decision Notices

All Mayoral and Officer decisions that are key decisions require the completion of a Decision Notice; these will be published on our website. Any other Mayoral decision that is taken will also be published and marked that it is not a key decision. The Monitoring Officer will publish any such notice on the Forward Plan on the Combined Authority's website at least 28 clear days before the key decision is due to be taken.

Standing Items

It can be taken that each Combined Authority meeting and formal committees will begin with Apologies, Declarations of Interest, and Minutes of Previous Meeting. Where public question time provision exists that will also be undertaken. For further enquiries regarding the Forward Plan please contact louise.hawkins@ca.hullandeastyorkshire.gov.uk

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HEYCA Skills Board 21 May 2025									
	Adult Skills Fund Readiness Submission	Pre-decision briefing	HEYCA is due to take on responsibility for the Adult Skills Fund by September 2026. In order to stay on track to meet this timescale, a suite of documentation is required to be submitted to the DfE by the end of May 2025 to demonstrate that it will have all arrangements in place to successfully operate the fund. The required documentation will be attached as appendices to the report and endorsement is sought to submit to the HEYCA Board prior to being submitted to the DfE.	Public consultation HEY skills framework included questions to inform the ASF strategy.	No	N/A	Claire Watts, ERYC	Report with recommendations	None

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Combined Authority 28 May 2025									
1/25	Mayoral Update	Update	To allow the Mayor to update the Board following election to office.	N/A	N/A	The Mayor	Lisa Dixon, Monitoring Officer	Report with recommendations	None
2/25	Adult Skills Fund Readiness Submission	Key Decision	HEYCA is due to take on responsibility for the Adult Skills Fund by September 2026. In order to stay on track to meet this timescale, a suite of documentation is required to be submitted to the DfE by the end of May 2025 to demonstrate that it will have all arrangements in place to successfully operate the fund. The required documentation will be attached as appendices to the report and permission is sought to submit to the DfE.	Public consultation on HEY skills framework included questions to inform the ASF strategy. Submission will have been presented to the Skills Board 21/05/25.	No	Board	Claire Watts, ERYC	Report with recommendations	None

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3/25	Investment Principles	Decision	To agree the principles upon which the Investment Strategy for the Combined Authority will be based.	N/A	No	Board	Alex Codd, HCC	Report with recommendations	None
4/25	Local Transport Funding	Key Decision	During April 2025, the Department for Transport confirmed its transport funding allocations payable to HEYCA in 2025/26. The report will highlight plans for deployment of this funding in accordance with the grant conditions.	N/A	No	Mayor and Board	Julian Neilson, s73 Officer	Report with recommendations	None
5/25	UKSPF	Key Decision	As detailed in the UKSPF paper at the inaugural HEYCA meeting the allocation methodology for year 4 of the UK Shared prosperity Fund changed significantly. This led to an overall cut in the fund, which	N/A	No	Board	Julian Neilson, s73 Officer	Report with recommendations	None

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			disproportionately impacted on the East Riding. Hull City Council saw a 19% cut to the revenue allocation, while East Riding of Yorkshire Council saw a 48% cut to the revenue allocation. It was agreed that East Riding of Yorkshire Council could make a request to HEYCA to top up their revenue allocation from the Mayoral Investment Fund to the level it would have received had the HEYCA total revenue allocation been apportioned on a 50:50 basis. This report makes the case for this increase to revenue funding.						

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6/25	Great British Energy's Mayoral Renewables Fund	Key Decision	1. To note that the Combined Authority has worked with the Hull and East Yorkshire Business Growth and Skills Hub (HEY BGS Hub), Hull City Council (HCC), and East Riding of Yorkshire Council (ERYC) to develop and submit one primary application of up to £700k and two supplementary applications to the Great British Energy Mayoral Renewables Fund; and 2. To seek authorisation to accept such funding if granted and subsequent allocation to the two Constituent Councils to carry out the relevant renewable	Constituent Councils	No	Board	Harry Baross, HCC	Report with recommendations	None

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			energy regeneration projects.						
Combined Authority AGM 26th June 2025									
7/25	Mayoral Update	Update	To allow the Mayor to update the Board.	N/A	N/A	The Mayor	Lisa Dixon, Monitoring Officer	Report with recommendations	None
8/25	To note the Mayor and Combined Authority Members and Substitute Members	Update	To note the membership of the Combined Authority including Mayor and Combined Authority Members and Substitute Members.	Constituent Councils	No	Board	Lisa Dixon, Monitoring Officer	Report with recommendations	None
9/25	Mayor's Appointment of Deputy Mayor and arrangements concerning Mayoral Functions	Decision	Appointment of Deputy Mayor and any arrangements concerning mayoral functions	N/A	No	The Mayor	Lisa Dixon, Monitoring Officer	Report with recommendations	None

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10/25	Appointment of members to Committees of the Authority (Audit and Scrutiny) and outside bodies	Decision	To consider the nominations by the constituent councils to the Audit and Scrutiny Committees of the Combined Authority and to nominate HEYCA representatives to Transport for the North	Constituent Councils	No	Board	Lisa Dixon, Monitoring Officer	Report with recommendations	None
11/25	Agree and note Officer Arrangements and Resourcing	Decision	To consider and agree proposals for the staffing of the Combined Authority including interim arrangements	N/A	No	Board	Mark Rogers Interim Head of Paid Service	Report with recommendations	None
12/25	Report on allowances from the Independent Remuneration Panel	Decision	To consider and agree a scheme of allowances for the Mayor and members of the Combined Authority following a review undertaken by the Independent Remuneration Panel	IRP	No	Board	Lisa Dixon, Monitoring Officer	Report with recommendations	None
13/25	To approve the Schedule of Meetings for the municipal year	Key Decision	To consider and approve the Schedule of Meetings for the municipal year	N/A	No	Board	Lisa Dixon, Monitoring Officer	Report with recommendations	None

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Combined Authority 25th July 2025									
14/ 25	Mayoral Update	Update	To allow the Mayor to update the Board	N/A	N/A	The Mayor	Jayne La Grua, Monitoring Officer	Report with recommendations	None
15/ 25	Allocation of Portfolios for 2025/26	Key Decision	To agree the allocation of portfolios for 2025/26	N/A	No	The Mayor	Jayne La Grua, Monitoring Officer	Report with recommendations	None
16/ 25	Appointment of Chairs to Committees	Decision	To agree the appointment of the Chairs of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee and the Audit Committee	N/A	No	The Mayor	Jayne La Grua, Monitoring Officer	Report with recommendations	None
17/ 25	Consultation on the Yorkshire Wolds Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty	Decision	Response to the Consultation on the Yorkshire Wolds Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty	N/A	No	Board	Mark Rogers, Interim Chief Executive	Report with recommendations	None

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18/ 25	Appointment of a Service Provider to Develop the pay and Grading Framework	Decision	To appoint a service provider to develop the pay and grading framework for the Combined Authority.	N/A	No	Board	Mark Rogers, Interim Chief Executive	Report with recommendations	None
19/ 25	HEYCA's Office Premises	Decision	To consider the location of the HEYCA office premises.	N/A	No	Board	Mark Rogers, Interim Chief Executive	Report with recommendations	Yes
Combined Authority 26th September 2025									
20/ 25	Notice of Intent to Establish a Combined Enhanced Bus Partnership	Decision	To approve the establishment of a Combined Enhanced Bus Partnership	N/A	No	Board	Mark Rogers, Interim Chief Executive	Report with recommendations	None
21/ 25	Hull and East Yorkshire Get Britain Working Plan	Decision	To agree the structure of the plan and the associated governance.	N/A	No	Board	Mark Rogers, Interim Chief Executive	Report with recommendations	None

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22/ 25	Establishment of a Community Fund	Decision	To agree the establishment of a Community Fund	N/A	No	Mayor / Board	Mark Rogers, Interim Chief Executive	Report with recommendations	None
23/ 25	Draft Prosperity Strategy/Game Plan	Consultation	To consider the draft strategy.	N/A	No	Board	Mark Rogers, Interim Chief Executive	Report with recommendations	None
Combined Authority 22nd October 2025									
24/ 25	Hull and East Yorkshire Get Britain Working Plan	Decision	To agree the plan.	N/A	No	Board	Mark Rogers, Interim Chief Executive	Report with recommendations	None
25/ 25	Local Growth Plan	Decision	To consider the draft plan.	N/A	No	Board	Alan Menzies, Interim Chief Executive	Report with recommendations	None
26/ 25	Strategic Investment Framework	Decision	To consider the draft framework.	N/A	No	Board	Alan Menzies, Interim Chief Executive	Report with recommendations	None

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27/ 25	Mayor's Community Investment Fund	Decision		N/A	No	Board	Alan Menzies, Interim Chief Executive	Report with recommendations	None
Combined Authority 28th November 2025									
28/ 25	Strategic Investment Framework	Decision	To consider the draft framework.	N/A	No	Board	Alan Menzies, Interim Chief Executive	Report with recommendations	None
29/ 25	HEYCA Gameplan	Decision	To consider the draft strategy document.	N/A	No	Board	Alan Menzies, Interim Chief Executive	Report with recommendations	None
30/ 25	Principle for Bus Grant Funding Allocations and Delegated Authority 2026/27	Decision		N/A	No	Board	Alan Menzies, Interim Chief Executive	Report with recommendations	None
Combined Authority 30th January 2026									

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01/ 26	Hull and East Yorkshire Combined Authority Assurance Framework Review	Decision	To consider the updated document	N/A	No	Board/ Mayor	Alan Menzies, Interim Chief Executive	Report with recommendations	None
02/ 26	Adult Skills Fund Delegated Decision Making	Decision	To consider the delegation of decision- making powers for the Adult Skills Fund	N/A	No	Board/ Cllr Ross	Alan Menzies, Interim Chief Executive	Report with recommendations	None
03/ 26	Proposed Transport funding and regulatory powers for 2026/27	Decision		N/A	No	Board/ Cllr Tucker	Alan Menzies, Chief Executive	Report with recommendations	None
04/ 26	HEYCA Gameplan	Decision		N/A	No	Board/ Mayor	Alan Menzies, Chief Executive	Report with recommendations	None

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05/26	HEYCA HR Policies	Decision							
Combined Authority 12th February 2026									
06/26	2026/27 Budget	Key Decision	To agree the HEYCA 2026/27 Budget	N/A	No	Board/ Mayor	Julian Neilson, Interim Finance Director	Report with recommendations	None
07/26	HEYCA Gameplan	Decision	To approve the draft strategy document.	N/A	No	Board/ Mayor	Alan Menzies, Interim Chief Executive	Report with recommendations	None
Combined Authority 4th March 2026									
08/26	Humber Economic Strategy	Decision	To approve the draft strategy document.	N/A	No	Board/ Mayor	Alan Menzies, Interim Chief Executive	Report with recommendations	None
09/26	Mayoral Joint Committee - Terms of Reference	Decision	To agree the Terms of Reference	N/A	No	Board/ Mayor	Alan Menzies, Interim Chief Executive	Report with recommendations	None

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10/ 26	HEYCA Local Growth Plan	Decision	To approve the Local Growth Plan	N/A	No	Board/ Mayor	Alan Menzies, Interim Chief Executive	Report with recommendations	None
11/ 26	Hull and East Yorkshire Transport Transitional Arrangements	Decision	To agree the transitional arrangements.	N/A	No	Board/ Mayor	Alan Menzies, Interim Chief Executive	Report with recommendations	None
12/ 26	Skills and Business Boards - Reorganisation into Business, Skills and Employability Board	Decision		N/A	No	Board/ Mayor	Alan Menzies, Interim Chief Executive	Report with recommendations	None
13/ 26	Appointments of Senior Officers	Update	To note the appointment of senior officers of the Authority.	N/A	No	Board/ Mayor	Alan Menzies, Interim Chief Executive	Report with recommendations	None

Combined Authority 29th May 2026

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14/ 26	Get Hull and East Yorkshire Working Plan – 2 nd Edition	Decision	To consider the draft strategy document	N/A	No	Board	Alan Menzies, Interim Chief Executive	Report with recommendations	None
15/ 26	Hull and East Yorkshire Strategic Housing Pipeline	Decision	To consider the draft strategy document	N/A	No	Board/	Alan Menzies, Interim Chief Executive	Report with recommendations	None
Combined Authority 17th July 2026									
16/ 26	HEYCA Financial Position 2025/26	Decision	To approve the position for the 2025/26 financial year.	N/A	No	Board	Julian Neilson, Executive Director of Finance	Report with recommendations	None
Combined Authority 2nd September 2026									
17/26	Brownfield Land Housing Fund & Agreement with MHCLG	Decision	To note progress in establishing the Brownfield Housing Fund (BHF) assessment and allocation approach for the Mayoral Strategic Authority and to approve the next	N/A	No	Board	Simon Bishop, Director of Housing & Regeneration	Report with recommendations	None

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			steps required to enable programme delivery.						
18/26	HEYCA Constitution	Decision	To approve an amendment to the quoracy of the Governance and Audit Committee.	N/A	No	Board	Tony Maione, Interim Monitoring Officer	Report with recommendations	None
19/26	HEYCA Office Accommodation Project	Decision	To progress the pursuit of the future office accommodation for the Combined Authority.	N/A	No	Board	Alan Menzies, Interim Chief Executive	Exempt	Yes
Combined Authority 25th September 2026									
20/26	Local Transport Delivery Plan (LTDP)	Decision	To approve the delivery plan for the next three years.	Overview & Scrutiny Committee, Other Stakeholders.	No	Board/ Cllr Tucker	Christopher Blucke, Director of Transport & Connectivity	Report with recommendations	None
21/26	Concessionary Fares	Decision	To approve any change to 2027/28 Concessionary Fares.	N/A	No	Board	Christopher Blucke, Director of Transport & Connectivity	Report with recommendations	None

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22/26	Strategic Place Partnership	Decision	To approve working with Homes England.	N/A	No	Board	Simon Bishop, Director of Housing & Regeneration	Report with recommendations	None
23/26	Progress of the Combined Authority	Update	To update the board.	N/A	No	Board	Joseph Quinn, Executive Director of Strategy, Devolution and Operations	Report with recommendations	None
24/26	Budget Outlook 2026-27	Update	To update the board on the Q1 financial position and forecast against the budget.	N/A	No	Board/ Mayor	Julian Neilson, Executive Director of Finance	Report with recommendations	Yes
25/26	Appointment of Senior Post	Decision	To approve the process for recruitment.	N/A	No	Board	Alan Menzies, Interim Chief Executive	Report with recommendations	Yes
26/26	Spatial Development Strategy	Decision	To approve the first stages.	N/A	No	Board	Simon Bishop, Director of Housing & Regeneration	Report with recommendations	None
28/26	Appointment of Deputy Mayor	Decision	To amend the HEYCA Constitution to facilitate the appointment of a	N/A	Yes	Board	Tony Maione, Interim Monitoring Officer	Report with recommendations	None

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			Deputy Mayor.						
Combined Authority 27th November 2026									
29/26	Enhanced Bus Partnership	Decision	To approve governance arrangements.	N/A	No	Board/Cllr Tucker	Chris Blucke, Director of Transport & Connectivity	Report with recommendations	None
30/26	Investment Strategy	Decision	To adopt the strategy	N/A	No	Board/ Cllr Handley	Andrew Hewitt, Director of Economy & Investments.	Report with recommendations	None
31/26	Rough Sleeping Action Plan	Decision	To adopt the plan	N/A	No	Board	Simon Bishop, Director of Housing & Regeneration	Report with recommendations	None
32/26	Budget Outlook	Update	To update the board on the Q2 financial position and forecast against budget.	N/A	No	Board/ Mayor	Julian Neilson, Executive Director of Finance	Report with recommendations	None

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Combined Authority 29th January 2027									
33/26	Local Growth Fund	Update	Progress update	N/A	No	Board	Joseph Quinn, Executive Director of Strategy, Devolution and Operations	Report with recommendations	None
34/26	NEETS (Not in Education, Employment or Training)	Update	HEYCA's response to the Milburn review to update the board.	N/A	No	Board	Joseph Quinn, Executive Director of Strategy, Devolution and Operations	Report with recommendations	None
35/26	Financial Plan 2027-28 to 2030-31	Decision	To set the Combined Authority's budget for 2027-28 and agree the four-year financial plan.	Overview and Scrutiny Committee, Constituent Councils	No	Board/ Mayor	Julian Neilson, Executive Director of Finance	Report with recommendations	None
36/26	Mayor's Budget 2027-28	Decision	To approve the budget for Mayoral Functions for 2027-28	Overview and Scrutiny Committee,	No	Board/ Mayor	Julian Neilson, Executive Director of Finance	Report with recommendations	None

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				Constituent Councils					
Combined Authority 26th February 2027									
37/26	Budget Outlook 2026-27	Update	To update the board on the Q3 financial position and forecast against budget.	N/A	No	Board	Julian Neilson, Executive Director of Finance	Report with recommendations	None
Combined Authority 16th April 2027									
38/26	Local Growth Plan	Update	To update the board on progress.	N/A	No	Board	Andrew Hewitt, Director of Economy & Investments	Report with recommendations	None
Combined Authority 28th May 2027									
39/26		Decision		N/A	No	Board		Report with recommendations	None

Report Title	Scrutiny Work Programme – Covering Report
Meeting date	16 September 2026
Forward Plan Reference	N/A
Executive Portfolio Holder	N/A (Scrutiny function, see legislative framework)
Key Decision	No
Classification:	Public
Report author/owner	Kunwar Khan, Governance and Scrutiny Lead
Appendix	A – Draft Scrutiny Work Programme (2026-2027)

1. Purpose

To note the agreed Overview and Scrutiny Work Programme for the Combined Authority.

2. Executive summary

This report invites the Overview and Scrutiny Committee to review the agreed Scrutiny Work Programme for 2026–2027.

Members of the Committee, together with SLT’s input, discussed potential items for inclusion during their in-person workshop held on 20th May 2026. Effective forward planning enables timely, evidence-led scrutiny and is recognised as best practice.

The agreed themes support HEYCA’s strategic priorities, as highlighted during the Member Induction Briefing held on 29 October 2025, including commitments to good jobs, better connectivity, improved health and affordable homes. The work programme ensures scrutiny contributes meaningfully to the Combined Authority’s overarching goals and delivery ambitions while discharging its role as a critical friend.

The legislative framework underpinning scrutiny includes:

Local Government Act 2000 – established overview and scrutiny committees and introduced the executive and scrutiny split, reinforcing scrutiny’s distinct role.

Localism Act 2011 – reinforced scrutiny’s role in local governance, including powers to access information and call in decisions, applicable to Combined Authorities.

Combined Authorities Order 2017 – provides the core legal basis for scrutiny in Combined Authorities.

Statutory Guidance – emphasises that scrutiny should have a clear role and focus, with work programming that is evidence-based, independent-minded and aligned with strategic priorities. The Statutory Guidance on Overview and Scrutiny in Local and Combined Authorities (2019), alongside the 2024 Government Review of Scrutiny Guidance, emphasises the importance of evidence-based programming and strategic alignment.

Other Key Points:

- **Indicative timeline in main report:** May 2026 – May 2027
- **Finance headlines:** As outlined in the specific reports when they are presented to the Committee.
- **Risks noted:** As stipulated in the specific reports when they are presented to the Committee.
- **Equalities and inclusion:** As highlighted in the specific reports when they are presented to the Committee.

3. Recommendations

The Overview and Scrutiny Committee is recommended to:

- a) Note that at the 20th May 2026 workshop, Members agreed that the organic programme of work aligned to the Committee’s statutory role and best practice expectations, due to its robust, prioritised and deliverable nature.
- b) Agree the Overview and Scrutiny Work Programme 2026–2027 (Appendix A).

Public overview and scrutiny committee meetings:

2:00–5:00 pm (In person)

Scrutiny briefings:

10:00 am or 1:00 pm (MS Teams, see below for details)

Important: Timings, Deadlines and Attendance

Decision-makers, Portfolio Holders, SLT and Directors, as well as report authors, are requested that they must ensure all key dates, report deadlines, scoping and attendance requirements listed below are diarised and met, to support timely and effective scrutiny in line with statutory requirements and best practice.

REPORT DEADLINE	MEETING DATES WITH ITEMS / REPORTS	PORTFOLIO LEAD / CHAIR / STRATEGIC OWNER	RESPONSIBLE LEAD OFFICER
6 May 2026 (260520OSC)	20 May 2026 – Scrutiny Work Programme Development – In person workshop - An in-person scrutiny workshop was convened to develop and agree the Committee’s work programme. Members were invited to submit topic suggestions in advance via a standard proforma. - A draft programme was prepared by the Governance and Scrutiny Lead in consultation with the Senior Leadership Team, the Chair and Members. It was subject to detailed Member consideration and refinement at the workshop, and agreed as a robust, prioritised and deliverable organic programme of work, aligned to the Committee’s statutory role and best practice expectations.	Cllr Richard Meredith, Chair of Overview and Scrutiny Committee	Kunwar Khan, Governance and Scrutiny Lead (Statutory Scrutiny Officer)
10 June 2026	17 June 2026 at 10am on Teams Scrutiny Briefing on HEYCA Senior Recruitment.	Mayor Luke Campbell	Tony Maione, Strategic Director Law & Governance, Monitoring Officer
8 July 2026 (260722OSC)	22 July 2026 at 2pm – In person 1. Connect To Work programme (DWP funding and contract award) - A scrutiny report on contract award for DWP funding for ‘Connect to work’ programme which is a new employment support programme delivered across Hull and East Yorkshire. To support the Committee in its role as a constructive critical friend, the report should set out the strategic context and enable Members to assess confidence in Connect To Work delivering effective, value-for-money outcomes for residents as well as any relevant matters. For example: Strategic context and progress: How does the programme align with HEYCA priorities, and what progress has been made to date? Contribution to outcomes: How will Connect To Work support reducing economic inactivity and advancing inclusive growth?	Mayor Luke Campbell and Portfolio Lead for Fit and Healthy	Anita Hallbrook, Director of Employment, Skills, Health and Communities

	• Delivery readiness and quality: How prepared is the programme to mobilise and deliver high-quality supported employment? • Outcomes and impact: How will success be measured, particularly sustained employment and wellbeing? • Value for money: How does the programme balance investment with long-term economic and social value? • Governance and improvement: How will HEYCA ensure effective oversight, effective partnership working and continuous improvement and communicate with all concerned? 2. Approach to investments (pre-decision scrutiny/monitoring) A scrutiny report on HEYCA's approach investment overview report consisting of: • Investment portfolio (summary table: delivery e.g. progress RAG, KPIs e.g. Average / weighted BCR, Cost per job / cost per sqm, Private investment unlocked, risks), including the leverage of private sector investment. • Pipeline (prioritised RAG table + KPIs e.g. time to progress, rejection rate, alignment with priority sectors / Big Plays etc) • Exception reporting on specific programmes as required. • HM Treasury/MHCLG requires investment decisions by Mayoral Combined Authorities to demonstrate Value for Money (VfM) in line with the Green Book and the National Local Growth Assurance Framework . The Framework requires Combined Authorities, including HEYCA, to operate robust local assurance arrangements covering appraisal, prioritisation, delivery, monitoring and evaluation of investment decisions. • In practice, many MCAs – particularly for growth and investment programmes – use a leverage ratio (the amount of external or private investment unlocked alongside public funding) as a key indicator of impact, reflecting Treasury VfM principles. This approach supports scrutiny of HEYCA's Investment Fund and Gateway process by focusing on the authority's ability to unlock additional capital, deliver outcomes and drive long-term economic growth over the full investment lifecycle.	Portfolio Lead for Investment, Cllr Anne Handley	Andy Hewitt, Programme Director of Economy & Investment
12 August 2026	19 August 2026 at 10am on Teams: Integrated Transport • This informal briefing provides an opportunity for members of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee to meet Christopher Blucke, Director, Transport & Connectivity and receive an overview of HEYCA's emerging transport and connectivity priorities. • Members are invited to share any initial views, questions or areas of interest relating to transport and connectivity to help inform the Committee's consideration of the formal report, 'Transport and Connectivity, including the Local Transport Delivery Plan', at its September meeting.		Chris Blucke, Director of Transport & Connectivity

02/09/26	16 September 2026 at 2pm – In person	Portfolio Lead for Investment, Cllr Anne Handley	Andy Hewitt, Programme Director of Economy & Investment
(260916OSC)	1. Local Growth Plan (LGP): Delivery & KPI Baseline • Progress & Adding Value: Following adoption of the Local Growth Plan (LGP), including links to Gameplan outcome indicators, a report on the mobilisation to date of delivery of the 4 LGP Big Plays with KPI Baseline including a specific metric for Private Sector Leverage (how much private money HEYCA is attracting for every £1 of public money). A specific metric for Private Sector Leverage (targeting a multiplier effect on the £13.34m annual Investment Fund) the Treasury uses to judge MCA success. The devolution deal guarantees a "gainshare" investment fund of £400.2m over 30 years. Dividing this by 30 equals exactly £13.34m per year. • KPI & Baseline Metrics: The LGP makes clear that each Big Play will be supported by KPI dashboards and baseline metrics to track progress. Therefore, the report should include: - Baseline values across all LGP (and connection/alignment to Gameplan). - Outcome-based metrics tied to the four Big Plays - Update on mobilisation of delivery - Any available performance trend analysis/relevant details 2. Transport and Connectivity, including the Local Transport Delivery Plan • To receive a progress update on statutory local transport plan and local transport delivery plan, ahead of the submission to the Department of Transport.		Joseph Quinn, Executive Director of Strategy, Devolution and Operations and Deb Gray (Programme Director) Chris Blucke, Director of Transport & Connectivity
13 October	21 October 2026 at 10am on Teams: Housing and Planning Briefing	Portfolio Lead for Housing, Cllr Jackie Dad	Simon Bishop, Director of Housing & Regeneration
	• This briefing provides an opportunity for members of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee to meet Simon Bishop, Director, Housing and Regeneration and receive an overview of HEYCA's emerging transport and connectivity priorities. • Members are invited to share any initial views, questions or areas of interest relating to transport and connectivity to help inform the Committee's consideration of the 'Housing and Planning Report', at its November meeting.		
05/11/26	18 November 2026 at 2 pm – In person	Portfolio Lead for Housing, Cllr Jackie Dad	Simon Bishop, Director of Housing & Regeneration
(261118OSC)	1. Housing and Planning Scrutiny Report • Spatial Development Strategy and key details. • Examine the items on planning and brownfield land. • Further details and changes as deemed appropriate by Director of Housing and Regeneration 2. HEYCA Community Impact & Social Value		

TBC	18 February 2027 at 10am on Teams Scrutiny briefing topic is TBC. This is kept 'to be confirmed' to allow flexibility for committee and request or plan briefing on any relevant items coming to the public meeting or in general.	TBC	TBC
05/03/27 (260317OSC)	17 March 2027 at 2pm – In person 1. Business Growth in Hull and East Yorkshire - A report for overview and scrutiny committee on business growth in Hull and East Yorkshire. 2. Fit and Healthy Portfolio Progress Report - A report on development and key areas in Health and Wellbeing portfolio including any relevant savings for health providers and community benefits.	Portfolio Lead for Investment & Chair of Investment Board, Cllr Anne Handley Mayor Luke Campbell and Portfolio Lead for Fit and Healthy	Andy Hewitt, Programme Director of Economy & Investment Joseph Quinn, Executive Director of Strategy, Devolution and Operations; and Deb Gray (Programme Director)
TBC	April 2027 Scrutiny Briefing Scrutiny briefing topic is TBC. This is to allow flexibility for committee and request or plan briefing on any relevant items coming to the public meeting or in general.	TBC	TBC
05/05/26 (270519WS)	19 May 2027 (TBC) Scrutiny Work Programme workshop for 2027–28	Cllr Richard Meredith Chair of Overview and Scrutiny	Kunwar Khan, Governance & Scrutiny Lead

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