# **Article 2 - The Combined Authority**

#### **General**

- 2.1 The Combined Authority is a body corporate.
- 2.2 The **Constituent Councils** of the Combined Authority are:
  - Kingston upon Hull City Council
  - East Riding of Yorkshire Council
- 2.3 The Combined Authority was established for the **Combined Authority's Area**, which is the area consisting of the areas of the Constituent Councils.
- 2.4 The **Non-Constituent** Bodies of the Combined Authority are the bodies designated as such by the Combined Authority in accordance with Paragraph 2 of Schedule 1 of the Order.
- 2.5 The Hull and East Yorkshire Mayor (the **Mayor**) is elected by the local government electors for the Combined Authority's Area.

# Membership

2.6 The Combined Authority comprises no more than eight members in addition to the Mayor, who is a member of the Combined Authority by virtue of that office. See further Article 3 (Membership of the Combined Authority).

## Chair

2.7 The Mayor is the Chair of the Combined Authority.

## **Deputy Mayors**

- 2.8 The Mayor must appoint one of the Combined Authority Members to be the Mayor's deputy (the **Deputy Mayor**). Article 4 (the Mayor) sets out the appointment process and terms of office for the Deputy Mayor.
- 2.9 The Deputy Mayor must act in place of the Mayor if for any reason:
  - the Mayor is unable to act, or
  - the office of Mayor is vacant.

## **Functions**

- 2.10 The functions of the Combined Authority are:
  - conferred or imposed upon the Combined Authority by the Order or other enactment, or
  - delegated to the Combined Authority by the Order or other enactment.

- 2.11 The functions of the Combined Authority comprise:
  - Mayoral Functions (exercisable only by the Mayor), and
  - Non-Mayoral Functions (exercisable by the Combined Authority).
- 2.12 Mayoral and Non-Mayoral functions are set out in more detail in Part 3 of the Constitution.

## **Delegations**

- 2.13 Mayoral Functions are exercised by the Mayor acting individually, or in accordance with arrangements made by the Mayor see further Article 4 (the Mayor).
- 2.14 Non-Mayoral Functions are exercised by the Combined Authority at a meeting of the Combined Authority or under arrangements agreed by the Combined Authority, as follows:
  - by a committee or sub-committee of the Combined Authority,
  - by an officer with delegated authority,
  - by another local authority, or
  - under joint arrangements with one or more other local authorities.
- 2.15 Part 3 of the Constitution sets out the arrangements agreed by the Combined Authority.

# **Functions Reserved to the Combined Authority**

- 2.16 The Combined Authority's functions with respect to levying shall be discharged only by the Combined Authority.
- 2.17 Non-Mayoral Functions which are reserved to the Combined Authority, (that is, are not delegated), are set out in Section 2 Part 3 of the Constitution.

#### **Standing Orders of the Combined Authority**

- 2.18 The Combined Authority may make standing orders to regulate its proceedings and business and may vary or revoke any such orders.
- 2.19 The standing orders of the Combined Authority are set out in Part 4 of the Constitution, and include:
  - Combined Authority Procedure Standing Orders which set out the procedure for meetings of the Combined Authority
  - Mayoral Procedure Rules which set out how the Mayor makes decisions
  - Budget and Policy Procedure Rules which set out the steps required in relation to approving the budget and policies and strategies. Policies and strategies provide a framework for decision-making
  - Financial Regulations which set out how the Combined Authority manages its finance, and
  - Contracts Standing Orders which set out how the Combined Authority enters into contracts.