

## **Strategic Leadership Board**

### **District and Borough Council nominations to the East Midlands Combined County Authority Committees**

**Date:** 7 June 2024

**Key ambition area:** Whole Programme

**Sponsor/s:** NA

**For publication:** Yes

#### **1.0 Purpose of the report**

1.1 For the Strategic Leadership Board to make Non-Constituent nominations to East Midlands Combined County Authority (EMCCA) committees.

#### **2.0 Recommendation**

It is recommended that the Strategic Leadership Board:

2.1 Agrees to the nominations for EMCCA committees until May 2025 in alignment with paragraph 4.4 and 4.5 of this report, taking into account guidance provided in appendix 1 of this report.

#### **3.0 Reason for recommendations**

3.1 To enable the Strategic Leadership Board to nominate Derbyshire District and Borough Council Non-Constituent Members to EMCCA committees.

3.2 To ensure that district and borough councils have formal representation at EMCCA.

#### **4.0 Report details**

##### **Background**

4.1 At the last meeting of the Strategic Leadership Board (SLB) on 16 May 2024 the Board accepted the designation provided by East Midlands Combined County Authority to be the nominating body for Derbyshire District and Borough Council Non-Constituent representation to the

Combined County Authority Board and its Committees as listed in paragraph 4.4 of this report.

- 4.2 The Board is aware that it is for the SLB to formally approve district and borough members to EMCCA governance bodies as designated, and it is for district and borough councils to bring forward those nominations in a manner of their choosing. However, to support nominating bodies in the process, EMCCA provided some guidance to district and borough councils. This guidance, which was optional, can be found at appendix 1 this report.
- 4.3 The SLB agreed to reconvene before the next EMCCA Board meeting scheduled for 17 June 2024 to make the required nominations.

### **Nominations to EMCCA Committees**

- 4.4 Having already made nominations to the CCA Board, the specific request from the CCA is that the SLB, as a nominating body, provides two representatives and two substitute representatives to be the non-constituent members to each of the following Committees:
- Transport Advisory Committee
  - Skills and Employment Advisory Committee
  - Investment Committee
  - Overview and Scrutiny Committee
  - Audit and Governance Committee.
- 4.5 District and borough councils having undertaken a process of determining their nominations prior to this meeting of the SLB, these non-constituent nominations are to be verbally confirmed at this Board meeting. It is recommended that these members will be representatives and substitute representatives on their respective EMCCA committees until May 2025.
- 4.6 As Non-Constituent EMCCA committee nominations are a matter for district and borough councils at this Board, voting regarding this matter is reserved only to district and borough councils.
- 4.7 Members will sit on the EMCCA Board and Committees as representatives of all Districts and Boroughs in Derbyshire and not of the District or Borough for which they are a Councillor.
- 4.8 Councillor's nominated to EMCCA Committees will receive an appropriate induction into EMCCA governance arrangements and the role and responsibilities of the governance body which they have been nominated to.

4.9 EMCCA is expected to approve their calendar of meetings for 2024/25 at its next Board meeting on 17 June 2024.

**4.10 It is proposed that the Board:**

a) Agrees to the nominations of non-constituent members to the EMCCA Committees until May 2025.

**5.0 Alternative options**

5.1 The Board could choose not to make outstanding non-constituent nominations to EMCCA committees, against EMCCAs designation. However, this is not recommended because it is important to ensure that district and borough councils have formal representation across all EMCCA committees.

**6.0 Implications for consideration – Financial and value for money**

6.1 Guidance on allowances for District and Borough Council representatives on East Midlands Combined County Authority Board and Committees will be provided following the Independent Remuneration Panel review.

**7.0 Implications for consideration – Legal**

7.1 The SLB consented to be the designated body for Non-Constituent EMCCA nominations at its meeting on the 16 May 2024, and therefore it is for the SLB to formally approve members to EMCCA governance arrangements as designated. Nominations are to be approved only by district and borough councils at the SLB.

7.2 There no specific rules for Non-Constituent nominations, but guidance has been provided to provide advice. Non-constituent members of the EMCCA Board should not also be on an EMCCA Committee, including the Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

7.3 All District and Borough Council's in principle should have at least one representative seat across EMCCA. To support making Non-Constituent substitute nominations, it is possible to be a member of one committee and a substitute of another if practicable.

**8.0 Implications for consideration – Human Resources**

8.1 There are no HR issues related to this specific decision.

**9.0 Implications for consideration – Climate Change**

9.1 There are no Climate Change issues related to this decision.

### **10.0 Implications for consideration – Equality and Diversity**

10.1 There are no Equality and Diversity issues relating to this decision.

### **11.0 Implications for consideration – Risk Management**

Description of the Risk	Impact	Likelihood	Mitigating Action	Impact	Likelihood
NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

### **Document information**

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<b>Background documents</b> These are unpublished works which have been relied on to a material extent when the report was prepared.
None
<b>Appendices to the report</b>
Appendix 1 – Nominating Body Guidance Note on EMCCA Appointments