
TEES VALLEY COMBINED AUTHORITY CABINET

**Cavendish House, Teesdale Business Park, Stockton-on-Tees at 10.00am on
Wednesday, 31st May, 2017**

ATTENDEES

Members

Mayor Ben Houchen (Chair)	Tees Valley Mayor
Mayor David Budd	Mayor of Middlesbrough
Councillor Christopher Akers-Belcher	Leader, Hartlepool Borough Council
Councillor Bob Cook	Leader, Stockton-on-Tees Borough Council
Councillor Steve Harker	Deputy Leader, Darlington Borough Council
Councillor Sue Jeffrey	Leader, Redcar and Cleveland Borough Council

Associate Members

Phil Cook	Member of Tees Valley LEP
Jerry Hopkinson	Member of Tees Valley LEP
Angela Howey	Member of Tees Valley LEP
Mike Matthews	Member of Tees Valley LEP
Nigel Perry	Member of Tees Valley LEP
David Soley	Member of Tees Valley LEP

Apologies for absence

Councillor Bill Dixon	Leader, Darlington Borough Council
Paul Booth	Member of Tees Valley LEP
Alistair Hudson	Member of Tees Valley LEP
Professor Paul Croney	Member of Tees Valley LEP

Officers

Ada Burns	Chief Executive of Darlington Borough Council
Garry Cummings	Chief Finance Officer, Stockton Borough Council
Neil Schneider	Chief Executive of Stockton-On-Tees Borough Council
David Bond	Monitoring Officer, Tees Valley Combined Authority
Andrew Lewis	Managing Director, Tees Valley Combined Authority
Sarah Brackenborough	Governance Manager, Tees Valley Combined Authority
Amanda Skelton	Chief Executive of Redcar & Cleveland Borough Council

TVCA CONFIRMATION OF CHAIR

1/17 Ben Houchen, Tees Valley Mayor, was confirmed as Chair.

TVCA CONFIRMATION OF DEPUTY MAYOR/VICE-CHAIR

2/17 As per the rotation in the Combined Authority Constitution, the Deputy Mayor and Vice-Chair for 2017/18 was confirmed as Councillor Bob Cook, Leader of Stockton-On-Tees Borough Council.

TVCA DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

3/17 No declarations of interest were declared.

TVCA ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE CHAIR

4/17 As the first meeting of the Cabinet under the new legislation the Mayor welcomed all attendees, including the newly appointed LEP Board members, and spoke about the significant amount of work undertaken on the devolution deal, the establishment of the Combined Authority and the importance of collaborative working going forwards.

TVCA ANNUAL MEETING BUSINESS

5/17 Consideration was given to a report detailing a number of items for agreement and confirmation by the Combined Authority Cabinet.

The Cabinet was asked to consider and agree a number of appointments to its statutory Committees for the municipal year 2017/18. Cabinet also considered a number of non-statutory/advisory board appointments, external appointments and confirmation of statutory officers.

Information was also provided on the intention of the Managing Director to conduct a review of the obligations on LEP members in order to assure that the Tees Valley is fully in line with national best practice.

It was also discussed that the establishment of portfolio holders for Cabinet Members provided the opportunity to consider appropriate delegations, for matters within established Combined Authority policy and our Investment Plan, below a set financial value, and which can be determined without the need for a discussion at a full Cabinet meeting. Proposals on delegations for approval jointly by the Mayor and Cabinet portfolio holder would be brought to a future meeting of the Cabinet for consideration.

The Cabinet also received confirmation of the Members' Allowances scheme and Mayoral Allowance.

RESOLVED that the appointments as set out in the schedule at Appendix 1 be agreed.

TVCA DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

6/17 The June Cabinet meeting had been brought forward to allow the timely consideration of items that had been postponed due to the General Election

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