

TEES VALLEY COMBINED AUTHORITY CABINET

**Cavendish House, Teesdale Business Park, Stockton-On-Tees at 10.00am on
Friday, 16th February, 2018**

These minutes are in draft form until approved at the next Cabinet meeting and are therefore subject to amendments.

<u>ATTENDEES</u>	
<u>Members</u>	
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 Bill Dixon	Leader, Darlington Borough Council
Councillor Sue Jeffrey	Leader, Redcar and Cleveland Borough Council
<u>Associate Members</u>	
Darren Hankey	Member of Tees Valley LEP
David Soley	Member of Tees Valley LEP
Jerry Hopkinson	Member of Tees Valley LEP
Professor Paul Croney	Member of Tees Valley LEP
<u>Apologies for Absence</u>	
Nigel Perry	Member of Tees Valley LEP
Angela Howey	Member of Tees Valley LEP
Paul Booth	Chair, Tees Valley LEP
Albert Pattison	Member of Tees Valley LEP
Graham Robb	Member of Tees Valley LEP
Mike Matthews	Member of Tees Valley LEP
Siobhan McArdle	Member of Tees Valley LEP
James Ramsbotham	Observer, on behalf of the Tees Valley Business Representative Bodies
<u>Officers</u>	
Tony Parkinson	Chief Executive, Middlesbrough Borough Council
Neil Schneider	Chief Executive, Stockton-on-Tees Borough Council
Ada Burns	Chief Executive, Darlington Borough Council
Amanda Skelton	Chief Executive, Redcar & Cleveland Borough Council
Gill Alexander	Chief Executive, Hartlepool Borough Council
Andrew Lewis	Managing Director, Tees Valley Combined Authority
Andrew Nixon	Monitoring Officer, Tees Valley Combined Authority
Sarah Brackenborough	Governance Manager, Tees Valley Combined Authority
Julie Gilhespie	Finance Director, Tees Valley Combined Authority
Shona Duncan	Head of Skills, Education & Employment, Tees Valley Combined Authority

TVCA 75/17	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST There were no declarations of interest.
TVCA 76/17	COMBINED AUTHORITY BUDGET 2018/19 The Cabinet considered the Mayor’s response to the amendment put forward to the draft budget at the 5 th February Cabinet meeting. The Managing Director described the process and decision-making arrangements for the approval of the budget. The Constituent Local Authority Leaders expressed their disappointment that the Mayor was not in support of the proposed amendment and that Cabinet members had not been able to meet prior to this meeting to discuss the amendment. The Mayor expressed his disappointment that he received no advance notification of the amendment prior to the first budget meeting on 5 th February and stated that on all other areas of activity the Cabinet was working in agreement. Councillor Akers-Belcher requested that a report detailing the full arrangements surrounding delegated decision making be brought back to the next Cabinet meeting, and this was agreed by the Mayor. The Managing Director confirmed that, under paragraph 26 of the constitution, the proposals made at the 5 th February Cabinet were neither agreed nor rejected, and would be brought back to Cabinet for further consideration. Following a discussion, the Cabinet (excluding the Mayor), voted to reject the Mayor’s draft budget and approve the draft budget proposed at the 5 th February Cabinet meeting, incorporating the following amendment: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • That given the lack of any new plan for Durham Tees Valley Airport and the resulting risk to Local Authority investment in the airport that, in line with the Combined Authority/Durham Tees Valley Airport development proposal set out in March 2017, the CA agree that the £0.5m funding for legal and financial assessments set out in paragraph 28 support proposals made by Peel Holdings in their letter of 2nd February 2018 for route support, marketing and enhanced airport services. That this arrangement be progressed with utmost priority to support Peel Holdings in securing the viability of the airport post 2021. RESOLVED that: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. The Combined Authority budget 18/19 be approved, incorporating the amendment set out above; ii. A report on the delegated decision making arrangements be brought to the March Cabinet meeting.
TVCA 77/17	INSPIRING OUR FUTURE Cabinet discussed the Inspiring Our Future Strategy and the process for final approval.

	<p>RESOLVED that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Approval of the final document for final publication, formal launch and implementation be delegated to the Managing Director in consultation with the Mayor and the lead Cabinet Portfolio holder.
<p>TVCA 78/17</p>	<p>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</p> <p>Thursday 22nd February at 12noon</p>