

Record of Executive Delegated Decisions by Officers
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1. Subject of decision

Delegation Reference (Refer to Meeting Minute Number or Officer Delegation Scheme):

The Future of the Coroner Service in North Tyneside – Cabinet 28 November 2022 (Minute CAB66/22)

This decision has been delegated to one or more officer(s) under:

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- (a) A specific express authorisation was given to the Chief Executive by Cabinet on 28 November 2022 to make any amendments that needed to be made to the Business Case in consultation with the Elected Mayor and to submit the Business Case on behalf of the Authority.
- (b) a general authorisation to take such decisions **and**, the effect of the decision is to:

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- (i) grant a permission or licence;

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- (ii) affect the rights of an individual; or

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- (iii) award a contract or incur expenditure which, in either case, materially affects the Authority's financial position.

2. Name and Title of Decision Maker

Paul Hanson – Chief Executive

3. Details of any Conflict of Interest and any Dispensation granted in respect of such Interest

Not applicable.

4. Executive Summary (Taken from written report)

Cabinet agreed to the proposed merger of the coronial areas of North Tyneside and Newcastle upon Tyne and the Business Case for such a merger appended to the Cabinet report was endorsed.

Cabinet also agreed that if amendments were needed to the Business Case before it was submitted to the Chief Coroner and the Ministry of Justice that the Chief Executive could make any such amendments in consultation with the Elected Mayor.

5. Alternative options considered

Option 1

To agree to make the amendments to the Business Case as highlighted therein and to submit the Business Case to the Chief Coroner and the Ministry of Justice; or

Option 2

Not to agree to make the amendments to the Business Case and to submit the Business Case to the Chief Coroner and the Ministry of Justice.

6. Decision(s)

*To make the necessary amendments to the Business Case as highlighted and to submit the same to the Chief Coroner and the Ministry of Justice.

7. Reasons for the Decision(s)

The merger of the Coronal areas of Newcastle upon Tyne and North Tyneside was agreed by Cabinet on 28 November 2022. Cabinet also agreed the Business Case for the merger presented to Cabinet on that date and agreed that any amendments to the final Business Case submitted to the Ministry of Justice and the Chief Coroner could be made by the Chief Executive in consultation with the Elected Mayor.

Minor amendments have been made to the Business Case, namely, the addition of a list of consultees, a map of the Coronal areas to be merged and the updating of figures appearing in Annex A together with the correction of typographical errors

The decision to make the minor amendments enables a finalised Business Case to be submitted to the Ministry of Justice as part of the proposed merger process agreed by Cabinet.

8. Date Decision Made

8 December 2022

8. Date of Publication

9 December 2022

Note: *In accordance with the Authority's Constitution, written approval has been given by the Authority's Section 151 Officer, the Monitoring Officer and the Chair of Council, and as set out in the Cabinet meeting minutes of the 28 November 2022 (Minute CAB66/22), the above decision is not subject to call-in and may be implemented immediately.