

## Record of Delegated Executive Decision(s)

### 1. Subject of decision

Devolution to North of Tyne – Governance Review

### 2. Name and Title of Decision Maker

Patrick Melia – Chief Executive

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

n/a

### 4. Executive summary

This decision relates to the announcement of a “minded to” Devolution Deal for the North of Tyne area by the Chancellor of the Exchequer in his Budget Statement on 22 November 2017. To implement the Deal, the North of Tyne Authorities consisting of this Authority together with Newcastle City Council and Northumberland County Council need to withdraw from the existing North East Combined Authority (NECA) and establish a new North of Tyne Mayoral Combined Authority.

On 11 December 2017 Cabinet was satisfied that the relevant statutory criteria had been met for the proposed change to NECA’s boundaries and the creation of a North of Tyne Combined Authority and approved the findings of the Governance Review and further agreed to the publication of the Scheme attached to the Governance Review so that the Scheme could undergo a public consultation between 14 December 2017 and 5 February 2018.

The Cabinet agreed that before publication, I would be given delegated authority to make amendments to the Scheme after consultation with the Elected Mayor and the Monitoring Officer. I intend to use the delegated authority to make amendments to the Scheme as set out in the appendix to the accompanying report.

## 5. Alternative Options considered

- a) To make the amendments to the Scheme, or
- b) Not to make the amendments to the Scheme.

## 6. Decision(s)

To make the amendments to the Scheme as set out in the Appendix of the report appended to this Record of Decision.

## 7. Reasons for the Decision(s)

After receiving further advice from the Department for Communities and Local Government on the language used within the Scheme and after consulting both the Elected Mayor and the Monitoring Officer on the proposed changes, I consider it appropriate to make the amendments set out in Appendix 1 to the report appended to this Record of Decision.

## 8. Date Decision Made

13 December 2017

## 9. Is this decision subject to call-in and if so expiry date of call-in period

No\*

## 10. Date of Publication

20 December 2017

## 11. Implementation Date (if decision not called in)

13 December 2017

\*Note this decision is not subject to call-in to enable consultation to commence on the proposed changes to the boundaries of NECA and the establishment of a new Mayoral Combined Authority for the North of Tyne area on 14 December 2017 and end on 5 February 2018 and to meet the parliamentary timetable for the Orders to be laid before Parliament in March 2018.