



14. COMMUNITIES AND PARTNERSHIP POLICY AND SERVICE COMMITTEE

Membership

Ten members of the Council, subject to proportionality. This will include one Member from each City/District area of the County, i.e. Cambridge City, East Cambridgeshire, Fenland, Huntingdonshire and South Cambridgeshire, to reflect the political control of the respective City/District Councils to undertake an enhanced role. These Members will be Area Community Champions. They will engage closely with their communities and be an advocate for the activity in these communities and the work of this committee and its partners. The Chairman/woman and Vice-Chairman/woman of the Committee shall be appointed by Full Council.

Summary of Functions

The Communities and Partnership Committee is authorised by Full Council to deliver the County Council’s ambition to build stronger self-sustaining communities as expressed in its Community Resilience Strategy, and to work together with the Mayor, combined authority, district councils and other partners to design and deliver services which best meet the needs of those communities. The committee will develop plans, in this regard, with the Mayor, combined authority, district councils and other partners to deliver or jointly commission services for communities where it makes sense to do so, aligning resources and expertise around an agreed set of outcomes in order to make the most of public sector funds.

The Communities and Partnership Committee will work together with other bodies to deliver against our shared ambition to build stronger self-sustaining communities, such as those supporting Parish and Town Councils, our commissioning partners such as the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Clinical Commissioning Group and the Cambridgeshire Peterborough Communities Network – a network of senior officers drawn from all local authorities across Cambridgeshire and Peterborough, the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner, Cambridgeshire Fire and Rescue Service, Cambridgeshire Constabulary, Support Cambridgeshire (the Voluntary and Community Infrastructure partnership), Cambridgeshire Community Services NHS Trust and Cambridgeshire and Peterborough NHS Foundation Trust.

Delegated Authority	Delegation/ Condition
<p>Authority to deliver the Community Resilience Strategy and services working with the Mayor, the combined authority, district councils and other partners and in particular to -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> develop and implement joint plans with the combined authority, district councils and other partners for the delivery of community place based services in accordance with the agreed outcomes; 	<p>Subject to confirmation from the S.151 of the availability of sufficient resources.</p>



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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • in consultation with the combined authority, district councils and other partners in services within communities approve joint investment in projects, within available resources, that are designed to help manage the demand for high cost services in accordance with the agreed outcomes; • develop and approve business case and plans to devolve services, budgets and assets, and implement subject to Council's approval of the associated business case in accordance with the agreed outcomes; • decide on funding to be made available for community initiatives through the Innovation Fund. 	
<p>Authority to develop, with the Mayor, combined authority, district councils and other partners plans to enhance customer services, including the better use of assets in communities such as libraries and other community buildings for approval by the relevant committee(s) in the County Council.</p>	
<p>Authority to advise the County Council on opportunities to create a shared workforce or shared arrangements (such as joint ventures) to deliver services across the combined authority, district councils and other partners for approval by the relevant committee(s) in the County Council.</p>	
<p>Authority to approve the Council's Consultation Strategy and its approach to future Business Planning consultation</p>	
<p>Authority to exercise the Council's functions in respect of all areas covering the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adult Careers Information and Guidance • Adult Skills including apprenticeships • Learning Services including online • Community Learning 	
<p>Authority to nominate representatives to Outside Bodies other than the Combined Authority, Greater Cambridge Partnership, Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Fire Authority, the County Councils Network Council and the Local Government Association</p>	