

ADDENDUM to Agenda Item No 5

Special Sub-Group

24 May 2016

Report of the Chief Executive

Devolution

1 Summary

- 1.1 This Addendum provides information regarding developments since the report was written and includes a form of wording should Members wish to recommend that the Council join the West Midlands Combined Authority.

2 Recent Developments

- 2.1 In my report on Devolution for this meeting I reported at paragraphs 2.5-2.7 that the County Council would be considering its position at its meeting on 17 May. At that meeting, the County Council resolved:-

- a) That the Warwickshire County Council becomes a non-Constituent Member of the West Midlands Combined Authority with a view to negotiating the basis of an acceptable deal on which Warwickshire could become a Constituent member;
- b) That the Leader of the Council be nominated as the County Council's representative on the West Midlands Combined Authority;
- c) That the Strategic Directors for Communities and for Resources are authorised to take any action that they consider necessary to implement the Council's decision;
- d) That the budgetary provision for non-constituent membership of £25,000 be met for 2016/17 from the Capacity Building Reserve and that for subsequent years be included as part of the budget making proposals for 2017/18 onwards; and
- e) That a further report is brought to a future Council meeting clarifying the position reached and the planned next steps.

I also commented in paragraphs 2.5-2.7 on what the implications for the Borough might be should the County Council decide to become either a non-Constituent or Constituent Member.

- 2.2 If, in the light of the contents of my original report and this Addendum, Members are minded to join the West Midlands Combined Authority as a non-Constituent Member, I would suggest the following wording as a Recommendation to Executive Board.

Recommendation to the Board	
a	That North Warwickshire Borough Council becomes a non-Constituent Member of the West Midlands Combined Authority;
b	That the Leader of the Council be nominated as the Borough Council's representative on the West Midlands Combined Authority;
c	That the Chief Executive be authorised to take any action required to implement this decision; and
d	That a supplementary estimate of £25,000 be agreed for the 2016/17 membership and that the membership fee for subsequent years be included as part of the budget making proposals for 2017/18 onwards.

3 Report Implications

3.1 Finance and Value for Money Implications

3.1.1 The £25,000 fee for 2016/17 can be met from Reserves.

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Background Papers

Local Government Act 1972 Section 100D, as substituted by the Local Government Act, 2000 Section 97

Background Paper No	Author	Nature of Background Paper	Date