

Appendix 3

Proposed Amendments to the Constitution

Amendment to the Membership of the Audit and Governance Committee

19.2 Membership comprises:

- a) five members of the Transport for the North Board (not the Chair, or Vice Chair) appointed by the Transport for the North Board; and,
- b) **four** Independent members (to be recruited on the basis of relevant skills);

A representative of DfT (Department for Transport) will be invited to attend meetings.

19.8 Membership and Quorum

The Committee shall be composed of **nine** members and the quorum shall be three, of whom at least two shall be Members or Co-opted Members of the Transport for the North Board.

Amendment to the Membership of the General Purposes Committee

Membership

22.1.1 The General Purposes Committee shall consist of one Member and one Substitute Member appointed by each of the Regional Groups set out in paragraph 22.4 **and one Member and one Substitute Member to be appointed by the LEP Co-opted Members on the Board.**

Part 5 Procedure Rules

Public Speaking **and Members Participating Virtually**

23.76 Members of the public will not normally be allowed to address a meeting of the Transport for the North Board. Any request to address a meeting of the Transport for the North Board will be referred to the Chief Executive who will decide whether to make appropriate arrangements for the member of the public to meet either with officers of Transport for the North or a delegation of Members of the Board outside the Transport for the North Board Meeting.

23.77 Members of the Board who are not in attendance at a meeting may participate in the meeting virtually provided that facilities are available to enable them to be heard and, if possible, seen by all Members and members of the public present at the meeting. Such Members will be entitled to speak in a debate with the agreement of the Chair but will not be entitled to move a motion or amendment or to participate in any vote. Such members shall not be treated as in attendance at the meeting for the purposes of quorum.

23.78 Any Member of the Board who is not in attendance at a meeting may make written representations on any item on the Agenda provided such representations are received by the Monitoring Officer not later than 5pm on the day before the day of the meeting. Such representations will be read to the meeting by or on behalf of the Chair.

23.79 Officers of Transport for the North who are not in attendance at a meeting may participate virtually if invited by the Chair to do so and provided that the facilities are available to enable

them to be heard and, if possible, seen by all Members and members of the public present at the meeting.

Amendment to Appendix 5 the Terms of Reference of the Partnership Board

Meetings

- a) The Partnership Board shall meet quarterly or at such intervals as the Transport for the North Board shall determine;
- b) The Partnership Board shall be chaired by an Independent Chair appointed by Transport for the North; [to be waived until further notice]
- c) **TO BE DELETED: The person appointed shall not be, or have previously within the last 5 years been, an elected Member of any Local Authority within the Transport for the North area;**
- d) A meeting of the Partnership Board shall be quorate if not less than 10 Members of Transport for the North, 3 Co-opted Members representing Rail North Authorities, and 5 representatives of the LEPs are present; attendance shall be in person
- e) Decisions are expected to be made unanimously and without a vote. Where a unanimous decision cannot be reached a vote will be taken on the basis of one member one vote and a decision will be passed by a simple majority of those present and voting.