<u>CAMBRIDGESHIRE AND PETERBOROUGH COMBINED AUTHORITY - SCRUTINY ARRANGEMENTS</u>

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1.0 <u>ISSUE</u>

1.1 Appointment of two representatives to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee of the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

2.1 Members are requested to appoint two members from the Conservative Group onto the Overview and Scrutiny Committee of the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority.

3.0 BACKGROUND

- 3.1 The Council on 16 November 2016, agreed to being a constituent member of the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority. This includes a requirement under the draft Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Devolution Order 2016 (Overview and Scrutiny Committees) (Ref 16 November 2016 Appendix 1B) to establish an Overview and Scrutiny Committee. The scrutiny arrangements were summarised in the November Council report (ref: Agenda Item No. 11, Appendix 1C).
- 3.2 The composition of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee must reflect the political balance across Cambridgeshire and Peterborough. To ensure an equitable representation across each constituent authority, two members from each Council will be appointed to the Committee representing a total membership of fourteen members.

4.0 CONCLUSION

4.1 The implications of applying political proportionality to a fourteen member Overview and Scrutiny Committee are detailed in Appendix 1. East Cambridgeshire is required to appoint two members of the Conservative Group. Although the formal Combined Authority will not be established until February, the appointment of members to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee will enable them to begin discussions on the practical arrangements for the scrutiny of the Combined Authority.

5.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS/EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

5.1 There are no financial implications arising from these proposals.

6.0 <u>APPENDICES</u>

6.1 Appendix 1 – Overview and Scrutiny Committee proportionality calculations.

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