

WEST OF ENGLAND COMBINED AUTHORITY ARRANGEMENTS

WECA OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE ¹

Terms of Reference of the West of England Combined Authority Overview and Scrutiny Committee (“the WECA Overview and Scrutiny Committee”)

The functions of the Overview and Scrutiny committee primarily relate to scrutinising the work of the WECA and making appropriate recommendations as to the discharge of its function.

The WECA Overview and Scrutiny Committee shall have the power to:-

1. review or scrutinise decisions made, or other actions taken, in connection with the discharge of any functions which are the responsibility of the WECA;
2. make reports or recommendations to the WECA on matters that affect the WECA area or the inhabitants of the area;
3. make reports or recommendations to the WECA with respect to the discharge of any functions which are the responsibility of the WECA;
4. in so far as the business of the Local Enterprise Partnership Business Board (LEP) relates to the discharge of functions of the WECA, the WECA Overview and Scrutiny Committee shall have the power to scrutinise the LEP as set out in 1 – 3 above.

Save for the provision in the WECA Constitution, Section A – Standing Orders (Descriptions and Rules of Procedure) that can only apply to a meeting of the West of England Combined Authority, the rules of procedure will apply to meetings of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

WECA JOINT OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY ARRANGEMENT

Terms of Reference of the Joint Overview and Scrutiny Arrangement comprising of the constituent Councils of the West of England Combined Authority, the Mayor and North Somerset Council (“The Joint Overview and Scrutiny Arrangement”)

Joint Overview and Scrutiny shall have the power to:-

¹ The arrangements for the WECA are currently under discussion and not yet formally approved.

1. review or scrutinise decisions made, or other actions taken, in connection with the discharge of any functions which are the responsibility of the Joint Committee;
2. make reports or recommendations to the Joint Committee on matters that affect the Joint Committee or the inhabitants of the area;
3. make reports or recommendations to the Joint Committee with respect to the discharge of any functions which are the responsibility of the Joint Committee.

Save for the provision in the WECA Constitution, Section A – Standing Orders (Descriptions and Rules of Procedure) that can only apply to a meeting of the West of England Combined Authority, the rules of procedure will apply to meetings of the Voluntary Joint Scrutiny Arrangement.

WECA AUDIT COMMITTEE

Terms of Reference of the West of England Combined Authority Audit Committee (“the WECA Audit Committee”)

The functions of the Audit committee shall include:

1. reviewing and scrutinising the authority’s financial affairs;
2. reviewing and assessing the authority’s risk management, internal control and corporate governance arrangements;
3. reviewing and assessing the economy, efficiency and effectiveness with which resources have been used in discharging the authority’s functions; and
4. making reports and recommendations to the combined authority in relation to the reviews they have conducted.

Save for the provision in the WECA Constitution, Section A – Standing Orders (Descriptions and Rules of Procedure) that can only apply to a meeting of the West of England Combined Authority, the rules of procedure will apply to meetings of the Audit Committee.