

Cambridge City Council

Record of Officer Urgent Decision

Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority - Special Responsibility Allowance - Cllr Anna Smith, Deputy-Mayor fulfilling Mayoral duties while CPCA Mayor Dr. Nick Johnson takes leave of absence.

Decision taken: To agree the special responsibility allowance of an additional £5554 pro rata(=approx. £1,600 for period) applied to the Combined Authority Board Member and Deputy-Mayor Cllr Anna Smith, whilst covering the duties of Mayor Dr. Nik Johnson of the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority. This can be reviewed by Civic Affairs on 8th Feb in light of the ongoing work of Cllr A Smith in this role, and will be reviewed if the cover goes beyond 1 March 2023.

Decision of: Chief Executive

Reference: 22/OfficerUrgent/Civ/04

Date of decision: 21 December 2022

Matter for Decision: To agree a new special responsibility allowance for Cllr A Smith who is undertaking the duties of the Combined Authority Mayor whilst the Mayor Dr Nik Johnson is taking a period of absence due to ongoing medical treatment.

Any alternative options considered and rejected: None

Reason for the decision including any background papers considered: Cllr A Smith took on the role of Deputy Mayor of the Combined Authority on 18 November 2022. The Council made the decision in relation to the allowance following a recommendation from the Independent Remuneration Panel. It was important for the decision to be taken before Christmas so that Cllr Smith could plan her affairs accordingly. A briefing paper considered by the Panel, and its recommendation is available [Document 221221 - Officer Urgent Decision - Special Responsibility Allowance - Cllr Anna Smith Combined Authority Mayor - Cambridge Council](#). The Panel interviewed Cllr Smith prior to making its recommendation. The special responsibility allowance will be funded from underspends in the democratic services budget for 2022/23.

Conflict of interest and dispensation granted by Chief Executive: None.

Comments: None.

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