

## Proposed revisions to the Terms of Reference



Black Country Executive Joint Committee  
Dudley, Sandwell, Walsall and Wolverhampton

### **FUNCTIONS OF BLACK COUNTRY EXECUTIVE JOINT COMMITTEE**

1. To receive reports from any Sub Committee of the Joint Committee or Advisory Board of the Joint Committee.
2. At any time review and agree proposed changes to the Functions of the Committee, and seek approval of the same from the four Council Executives of the Black Country authorities.
3. To agree and approve any proposed governance and or reporting structure that the committee sees fit.
4. In relation to the City Deal, Growth Deal and Combined Authority:
  - 4.1 To act as a strategic body; setting and reviewing objectives for strategic investment across the Black Country, including;
    - a. Providing a coherent single position on the major strategic City Deal, Growth Deal and Combined Authority issues;
    - b. Agreeing allocation of spending;
    - c. Agreeing major priorities;
    - d. Consider and agree recommendations made by any Sub Committee of the Joint Committee or Advisory Board of the Joint Committee;
    - e. Refer recommendations received back to any Sub Committee of the Joint Committee or Advisory Board of the Joint Committee for further consideration as and when minded in the first instance to not follow recommendations at all or to materially change the substance of the decision except in the case of genuine urgency requiring a decision to be made at that time;
  - 4.2 Agreeing Lead and or Accountable Body status for a body or organisation;
  - 4.3 Agree, review and amend options at any time for City Deal, Growth Deal and Combined Authority governance which is fit for purpose;
  - 4.4 influence and align government investment in order to boost economic growth;

- 4.5 have regard to the duty to cooperate and Joint Committee's overall function as set out above;
- 4.6 to ensure alignment between decision making on City Deal Growth Deal **and Combined Authority** and decisions on other areas of policy such as land use, transportation, economic development and wider regeneration;
- 4.7 Co-ordinate and align decision making on transport with the LEPs ensuring that business views are taken on board and that LEP growth plans are reflected in strategic priorities;
- 4.8 Deciding on capital expenditure programmes and ensuring policy and programmes are delivered effectively through partners;

