SOUTH CAMBRIDGESHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL RECORD OF EXECUTIVE / CHIEF OFFICER DECISION

This form should be used to record key and other decisions made by individual Portfolio Holders and key decisions made by Chief Officers. The contact officer will ensure that the signed and completed form is given to Democratic Services as soon as reasonably practicable after the decision has been taken.

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Portfolio	Leader of Council
Subject Matter	Appointments to the Cambridge and South Cambridgeshire Planning and Transport Strategy Group
Ward(s) Affected	All
Date Taken	Friday, 17 February 2012
Contact Officer	Keith Miles, Planning Policy Manager (keith.miles@scambs.gov.uk)
Date Published	Friday, 24 February 2012
Call-In Expiry	Friday, 2 March 2012
Key Decision?	No
In Forward Plan?	No. This new external member group has been under discussion for some time but with no clear deadline for its establishment.
Urgent?	No, but the decision was taken outside a formal Portfolio Holder meeting as the Group needs to meet as soon as possible to help guide the preparation of the City and South Cambridgeshire Local Plans. The first informal meeting will take place by mid-March 2012.

Purpose / Background

To agree the Council's member representation on the new Cambridge and South Cambridgeshire Planning and Transport Strategy Group. The Group will comprise three lead members each from South Cambridgeshire, Cambridge City and Cambridgeshire County Council. The Group will not be a decision-making body but will provide a forum for developing key planning and transport strategic issues concerning Cambridge and South Cambridgeshire. All decisions will be made at relevant meetings of the three Councils.

Declaration(s) of Interest

Record below any relevant interest declared by any executive Member consulted or by an officer present in relation to the decision.

None

Dispensation(s)

In respect of any conflict(s) of interest declared above, record below any dispensation(s) granted by the Council's Standards Committee.

None

Consultation

Record below all parties consulted in relation to the decision.

Internal political parties.

Other Options Considered and Reasons for Rejection

Consideration of other options is not relevant as there is an overarching need for close working across the district boundary to produce coherent development and transport plans.

Final decision	Reason(s)
The Leader has appointed the following three members to the Cambridge and South Cambridgeshire Planning and Transport Strategy Group: Northstowe & New Communities Portfolio Holder Planning and Economic Development Portfolio Holder Major Opposition Group Leader	To secure political balance.
The Leader of Council has appointed himself as the reserve member.	

Signed	Name (CAPITALS)	Signature	Date	
Portfolio Holder	Signed copy available upon request from Democratic Services			
Chief Officer	(democratic.services@scambs.gov.uk)			

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