

Audit, Standards and Risk Committee

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The MCA Review and New Governance Model

Is the paper exempt from the press and public?	No
Reason why exempt:	Not applicable
Purpose of this report:	Discussion
Is this a Key Decision?	No
Has it been included on the Forward Plan of Key Decisions?	Not a Key Decision

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Summary

The MCA Board on 5th June considered a series of recommendations for the future that would strengthen the MCA's strategic purpose, decision-making, collaboration and engagement with partners, and begins to address the organisation's capacity and capability to support on-going improvement.

What does this mean for businesses, people and places in South Yorkshire?

The MCA's journey to evolve into a high-performing organisation is supporting more effective decision making, ambitious leadership and stronger partnership working to ultimately deliver better outcomes for the businesses, people and places of South Yorkshire.

The Review proposes a new Governance Model with 'Cabinet' style leadership through the South Yorkshire Mayor and Local Authority Leaders taking portfolio responsibilities. This will enhance openness and transparency, bring a new Mayoral Economic Advisory Council and a new Business Advisory Board to strengthen business engagement and ensure 'a strong, independent and diverse business voice' in our policy-making. This report also makes proposals to strengthen our informal partnership arrangements to

ensure the MCA is playing a systems leadership role for the region and to support established routes of engagement with key stakeholders and partners.

This report is provided to the Committee to build upon the engagement session that was jointly held with Overview and Scrutiny Committee members prior to the MCA Board.

Recommendation(s)

Members are asked to note the MCA paper.