

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE CJC - OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY SUB-COMMITTEE HELD VIA ZOOM ON TUESDAY, 5 DECEMBER 2023**

**PRESENT**

**County Councillors Ceredigion and Powys:** Carl Worrall, Maldwyn Lewis, Jeremy Pugh, Glyn Preston, Heulwen Hulme, Adrian Jones.

**Officers:**

Eifion Evans CJC CEO, Emma Plamer CEO, Clive Pinney PCC & CJC Monitoring Officer, Barry Rees, Rhodri Davies, Carwyn Jones Evans, Elin Prysor CCC Monitoring Officer, Nicola Williams

<b>1.</b>	<b>APPOINT CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR</b>
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Following the AGM of the CJC and abiding by the Constitution of the CJC, each year the Chair of the Sub Committee is rotated between PCC and CCC.

Cllr Heulwen Hulme was elected as Chair.  
Cllr Carl Worrall was elected as Vice Chair.

The Chair and Vice Chair formally thanked the Committee for the nominations.

<b>2.</b>	<b>WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS</b>
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Noted.

<b>3.</b>	<b>APOLOGIES</b>
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Apologies for absence were received from Cllr John Roberts, Cllr Gwyn Wigley Evans and Diane Reynolds.

<b>4.</b>	<b>TERMS OF REFERENCE</b>
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**Background**

Documentation shared was an extract from the Constitution of the CJC – Overview and Scrutiny Sub Committee, which has been approved as part of the CJC Constitution. Members should note that the quorum is no less than 4 Members, 2 from each constituent Council.

Frequency in the Constitution stated that the Sub Committee would meet quarterly. To date there has been nothing of a substantial nature to bring forward to this committee.

This meeting was therefore convened to introduce members to the CJC, what the CJC is intending to do with an overview from the CEO of Ceredigion County Council Eifion Evans.

In the first instance quarterly meetings would be too frequent as the subject matter covered initially would be minimal. Frequency could be reduced to bi-annual and increase as workload dictates to quarterly.

Chair responded that whilst there was little to currently consider, the pace and momentum will increase as progress is made.

Chair agreed to a bi-annual frequency, with the view to increase frequency as momentum and workload increases.

Proposed by Maldwyn Lewis and Seconded by Carl Worrall.

<b>5.</b>	<b>CJC UPDATE REPORT FROM THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER</b>
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### **Background**

Under Local Government Elections Act 2021 there was an expectation that regions across Wales would create CJC's. It is an arrangement that delegates decision making to the Leaders in the constituent authorities to facilitate pace at a strategic level. To ensure good governance the Overview and Scrutiny Sub Committee was established to challenge any future decisions or recommendations considered.

Eifion Evans CEO gave a brief overview and background of the CJC and the function of the 3 main areas: Strategic Development Planning, Regional Transport Planning and Economic Well-Being.

Point raised that the report lacked clear objectives and direction of travel, which would be a pre-requisite to any scrutiny of documents or plans.

Chair thanked the Chief Executive for his in-depth summary and noted the report attached within the agenda pack.

<b>6.</b>	<b>ANY OTHER BUSINESS</b>
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No further items of business were raised by the Committee.

**County Councillor H Hulme (Chair)**