

AGENDA ITEM

REPORT TO COUNCIL

21 JUNE 2017

**REPORT OF THE COMBINED AUTHORITY
RETURNING OFFICER**

ELECTION OF A MAYOR FOR THE TEES VALLEY COMBINED AUTHORITY

SUMMARY

The report provides confirmation of the successful candidate who was elected the Mayor of the Tees Valley Combined Authority following the election on 4 May 2017.

RECOMMENDATION

That the report be received.

DETAIL

1. At the Tees Valley Mayoral election held on 4 May 2017, the total number of valid first and second preference votes cast for each of the candidates remaining in the contest after the conclusion of the first count was as follows:-

| Candidate | First Preference | Second Preference | Total |
|------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------|
| Ben Houchen | 40,278 | 8,300 | 48,578 |
| Sue Jeffrey | 39,797 | 6,603 | 46,400 |

2. Ben Houchen was therefore duly elected as Mayor of the Tees Valley Combined Authority.

COMMUNITY IMPACT IMPLICATIONS

3. There is no requirement for an assessment.

FINANCIAL AND LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Financial

4. There are no direct financial implications.

Legal

5. This report assists with compliance with the requirements regarding notification of the outcome of the election.

RISK ASSESSMENT

6. The report minimises any risks relating to the notification requirements.

COUNCIL PLAN POLICY PRINCIPLES AND PRIORITIES

7. Stronger communities and local democracy.

CORPORATE PARENTING IMPLICATIONS

8. There are no implications arising from this report.

CONSULTATION

9. The arrangements relating to the Tees Valley Mayoral election have been the subject of previous discussions with, and decisions by Members.

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| <u>Education Related:</u> | No |
| <u>Background Papers:</u> | No |
| <u>Ward(s) and Ward Councillors:</u> | All |
| <u>Property Implications:</u> | None |