



MSIG/MHA Merger Proposals Update 8 May 2018

Recent activity

The working group comprising the following representatives met in Leicestershire on 20th April 2018:

Peter Barclay	Leicestershire CC & MHA
David Walters	Staffordshire CC & MHA
Alice Russell	Derbyshire CC & MSIG
Clive Hall	Herefordshire, WMHA & MSIG
Lincoln Smithers	Derby City Council

Dominic Proud was unable to attend the meeting due to annual leave but is still involved in the working group.

Scoring & Assessing the options

The main aim of the recent working group meeting was to work through each of the options and sub-options that had been identified. See table below.

Options and Sub-options	1 Do Nothing	2 Streamlined Governance	3 A Single alliance	4 Full Integration
A Existing Member Boundaries	Y	Y	N	N
B Sub-Regions	N – But these may exist in each body	Y	Y	Y
C Tiered membership	N – But these may exist in each body	Y	Y	N
D Functional / asset based sub-groups	N – But these may exist in each body	Y	Y	Y

Working group members went through each option with the aid of a score sheet which detailed the core assessment criteria for each option and sub-option. This can be seen in full on request.

Results of scoring

The two options with the highest scores are 3D (a single alliance with Functional/ Asset based sub-groups) and 4D (full integration with Functional/ Asset based sub-groups).

Scoring of Options for Streamlining the Highway Alliances in the Midlands Region

Options and Sub-options	1 Do Nothing	2 Streamlined Governance	3 A Single alliance	4 Full Integration
A Existing Member Boundaries	475	815	NR	NR
B Sub-Regions	NR	675	875	850
C Tiered membership	NR	775	875	NR
D Functional / asset based sub-groups	NR	840	960	950

Actions

Following the identification of the two preferred options the working group now intends to carry out the following before the next joint MSIG/MHA Steering Group meeting on 12th June 2018:

Action	Who	By When
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discuss initial outcome of options appraisal with Chair of MSIG/MHA and gain agreement to continue developing the options selected. 	Alice Russell	9 th May 2018 – Meeting with Mike Ashworth
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop financial model for Options 3D and 4D to support the above 	Peter Barclay (with assistance from DW and CH)	Before 12 th June 2018
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Write draft report for June's joint board meeting 	David Walters	12 th June 2018