

EXECUTIVE

STATEMENT OF DECISIONS

Set out below is a summary of the decisions taken at the meeting of the Executive held on Wednesday 26 November 2025. Decisions made by the Executive will be subject to call-in. Recommendations made to the Council are not subject to call-in. The wording used does not necessarily reflect the actual wording that will appear in the minutes.

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<u>Local Government Reorganisation: Draft Submission-Putting People First in Exeter and Devon</u>

Agreed:

RESOLVED that Executive:

- (1) agrees the Draft Final Proposal for Local Government Reorganisation (LGR) in Devon;
- (2) support the creation of four proposed new unitary councils (the geographic details of which were outlined in the report) as follows:
 - a Unitary council for Exeter and surrounding parishes;
 - a Unitary council for Plymouth and surrounding parishes;
 - a Unitary council for Torbay and surrounding parishes; and
 - a Unitary council for the Devon Coast and Countryside.
- (3) agree to a Joint Submission with Plymouth City Council to present a shared Executive Summary with the two individual proposals as appendices. Members noted that Plymouth City Council supported this approach and their Cabinet agreed a similar recommendation at their meeting on 24 November 2025.
- (4) grant delegated authority to the Chief Executive, in consultation with the Leader, to make any further minor amendments to the LGR proposal prior to its submission to Government by 28 November 2025.

Reason for Decision: As set out in the report and as amended at the meeting.

The decisions indicated will normally come into force 5 working days after publication of the Statement of Decisions unless called in by a Scrutiny Committee. Where the matter in question is urgent, the decision will come into force immediately. Decisions regarding the policy framework or corporate objectives or otherwise outside the remit of the Executive will be considered by Council on 9 December 2025.