

The new regional authority: what it does, and what stays with the city council

The regional authority

- Local transport plan functions (Transport Act 2000 ss.108, 109, 112)
- Passenger transport functions (Transport Act 1985 s.63)
- Power to pay grant (Local Government Act 2003 s.31), including...
- General power of competence for economic development and regeneration
- Crime and disorder information sharing
- Nine statutory areas of competence
- Investment Fund, Growth Hub and set-up funding management
- Spatial Development Strategy — preparation only
- Strategic Place Partnership with Homes England

Stays with the city council

- Bin collections, libraries, schools, social care, local planning
- Deciding planning applications
- Highways (roads, pavements, potholes)
- Public health, individual care and support services
- Local transport delivery and bus services until 2028
- Council housing, housing allocations, council tax...

First mayor elected 4 May 2028. Separate from council reorganisation.

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Hampshire and the Solent Combined County Authority (a mayoral combined county authority (mayoral CCA)) was established on 4 June 2026; its first mayor is elected on 4 May 2028. It now holds: Local transport plan functions (Transport Act 2000 ss.108, 109, 112); Passenger transport functions (Transport Act 1985 s.63); Power to pay grant (Local Government Act 2003 s.31), including highway maintenance grant to councils; General power of competence for economic development and regeneration; Crime and disorder information sharing; Nine statutory areas of competence; Investment Fund, Growth Hub and set-up funding management; Spatial Development Strategy — preparation only; Strategic Place Partnership with Homes England. Staying with Portsmouth City Council: Bin collections, libraries, schools, social care, local planning; Deciding planning

applications; Highways (roads, pavements, potholes); Public health, individual care and support services; Local transport delivery and bus services until 2028; Council housing, housing allocations, council tax, school admissions.

Image description: Two columns comparing what Hampshire and the Solent Combined County Authority does now with what stays with Portsmouth City Council.