

**NOTICE OF DECISIONS AGREED AT THE GREATER MANCHESTER COMBINED AUTHORITY
HELD ON FRIDAY, 31ST JULY, 2020**

PRESENT:

Greater Manchester Mayor	Andy Burnham (In the Chair)
Greater Manchester Deputy Mayor	Baroness Bev Hughes
Bury	Councillor Eamonn O'Brien
Manchester	Councillor Richard Leese
Oldham	Councillor Sean Fielding
Rochdale	Councillor Allen Brett
Salford	City Mayor Paul Dennett
Stockport	Councillor Tom McGee
Tameside	Councillor Brenda Warrington
Trafford	Councillor Andrew Western
Wigan	Councillor David Molyneux

IN ATTENDANCE:

Rochdale	Councillor Janet Emsley
Wigan	Councillor Chris Ready

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE:

GMCA – Chief Executive	Eamonn Boylan
GMCA - Deputy Chief Executive	Andrew Lightfoot
GMCA – Monitoring Officer	Liz Treacy
GMCA - Treasurer	Steve Wilson
Bolton	Tony Oakman
Bury	Geoff Little
Manchester	Joanne Roney
Oldham	Mike Barker
Rochdale	Steve Rumbelow
Salford	Ben Dolan
Stockport	Kathryn Rees
Tameside	Steven Pleasant
Wigan	Alison McKenzie-Folan
Office of the GM Mayor	Kevin Lee
TfGM	Steve Warrener
GMCA	Simon Nokes
GMCA	Julie Connor
GMCA	Sylvia Welsh
GMCA	Nicola Ward

1. APOLOGIES

That the apologies be received and noted from Cllr Elise Wilson, Carolyn Wilkins, Sara Todd and Jim Taylor.

1a. ADJOURNMENT

That the GMCA meeting be adjourned to recommence at 11.15am.

2. CHAIRS ANNOUNCEMENTS AND URGENT BUSINESS

1. That it be noted that the GMCA broadly support the action taken in light of an increase in cases of Covid-19 across Greater Manchester, however the GMCA will be seeking further clarity from Government later today in relation to specific elements of the enhanced social distancing measures.
2. That item 25 (GM Housing Investment Loans Fund Investment Approval Recommendations be taken as urgent business, and the paper circulated to Members of the GMCA

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr Tom McGee declared a personal interest in relation to items 27 & 30 (GM Investment Framework and Conditional Project Approvals) as a Trustee of the GMCVO Board.

4. MINUTES OF THE GMCA MEETING HELD ON 26 JUNE 2020

That the minutes of the meeting of the GMCA held 26 June 2020 be approved.

5. MINUTES OF THE GMCA OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEES - JULY 2020

That the minutes of the meetings as detailed below, be noted.

- Housing, Planning & Infrastructure – 9 July 2020 & 29 July 2020
- Economy, Business Growth & Skills – 10 July 2020

6. MINUTES OF THE GMCA AUDIT COMMITTEE - 30 JUNE 2020

That the minutes of the GMCA Audit Committee meeting held on 30 June 2020 be noted.

7. MINUTES OF THE GM TRANSPORT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 17 JULY 2020

1. That the minutes of the GM Transport Committee meeting held on 17 July 2020 be noted.
2. That the decision of the GM Mayor to approve the appointment of Councillor Mark Aldred as Chair of the GM Transport Committee be noted.

8. MINUTES OF THE GM WASTE & RECYCLING COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 22 JULY 2020

1. To note the minutes of the Waste & Recycling Committee held 22 July 2020 be noted.
2. That the appointment of Councillor Allison Gwynne as the Chair of the Waste & Recycling Committee be approved.

9. EXTENSION OF APPOINTMENT OF SIR RICHARD LEESE TO THE GROWTH COMPANY BOARD UNTIL NOVEMBER 2020

That the extension of appointment of Sir Richard Leese to the Growth Company Board until November 2020 be approved.

10. BUILD BACK BETTER - YOUNG PERSONS' GUARANTEE

That the report be deferred until the next meeting of the GMCA.

11. EQUALITIES ADVISORY PANELS - ANNUAL REPORTS

1. That the Annual Reports provided by the Disabled People's Panel, and the LGBTQ+ Adviser and Panel be noted.
2. That the funding for the GM Disabled People's Panel of £75,000 from October 2020 until March 2022, subject to final approval of the GMCA, be approved.
3. That the funding for the LGBTQ+ Panel of £45,000 from October 2020 until March 2022, subject to final approval of the Combined Authority budgets, be approved.

12. GM VOLUNTARY, COMMUNITY & SOCIAL ENTERPRISES ACCORD UPDATE

1. That the update provided on progress made to deliver the GM VCSE Accord and the work of the VCSE sector to date as part of the emergency response during the Covid crisis be noted.
2. That the direction of travel set out for the VCSE sector in the VCSE Leadership Group's Policy Paper be endorsed.
3. That the progress with the review of GMCA investment with VCSE organisations in the light of the evolving GM policy context and that a final proposal will be presented for approval in September 2020 be noted.
4. That authority be delegated to the GMCA Treasurer, in consultation with the Community, Co-operatives and Inclusion Portfolio Leader and Chief Executive Officer, GMCA & TfGM to extend existing grant agreements currently in place with four VCSE organisations supported through a budget ring-fenced from the former Culture and

Social Impact Fund, as described in Section 6.5-6.6 of the report.

13 GM CO-OPERATIVE COMMISSION

That this report be deferred until the next meeting of the GMCA.

14 RECOVERING FROM COVID-19 & TACKLING INEQUALITY: SOCIAL VALUE & PUBLIC PROCUREMENT

That this report be deferred until the next meeting of the GMCA.

15 UPDATE ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF A ONE YEAR GREATER MANCHESTER LIVING WITH COVID PLAN

1. That the progress being made on the development of the one year Living with Covid Plan be noted.
2. That Members of the GMCA be invited to share their comments on this report offline with the GM Mayor and that a further report be submitted to the September meeting of the GMCA.

16 MONTHLY ECONOMIC UPDATE

The GMCA is requested to note and comment on the latest update of the Greater Manchester Economic Resilience Dashboard.

17 GM CLEAN AIR PLAN - CONSULTATION UPDATE

1. That the progress of the Greater Manchester Clean Air Plan be noted.
2. That it be noted that TfGM have confirmation that the funding award for Bus Retrofit should be distributed as soon as possible as per arrangements put in place for the Clean Bus Technology Funds.
3. That the update on the possible impacts of COVID-19 on the GM CAP be noted.
4. That it be noted that GM local Authorities intend to consult on GM's proposed Minimum Licencing Standards, alongside the Clean Air Plan consultation.
5. That the submission of the response to Department for Transport's Decarbonising Transport – setting the challenge, as set out at Appendix 1 of the report, be agreed.
6. That the GM local Authorities be commended to hold an 8-week public consultation on the GM Clean Air Plan commencing in October 2020.

7. That it be agreed that TfGM can act as the Operating Body for the GM Clean Air Zone and supporting measures, as set out at paragraph 7.5 of the report.
8. That the GM Clean Air Plan Policy for Consultation, at Appendix 3 of the report, be endorsed.
9. That the Equalities Impact Assessment, as set out at Appendix 5, be noted.
10. That it be noted that further reports will be submitted to the GMCA to set out the formal governance mechanisms that will underpin the deliver a GM Clean Air Zone (CAZ) and the supporting measures.
11. That the detail of the vehicle finance offer to support residents to comply with the requirements of the Clean Air Plan will be included on the consultation.

18 HS2, THE INTEGRATED RAIL PLAN AND NATIONAL INFRASTRUCTURE COMMISSION RAIL NEEDS ASSESSMENT FOR THE MIDLANDS AND THE NORTH

That the report and positive direction of travel be noted.

19 BROWNFIELD LAND FUND AND GETTING BUILDING FUND

1. That it be agreed that the GMCA will enter into a Brownfield Land Fund Funding Agreement with MHCLG.
2. That it be agreed that the GMCA will enter into the Getting Building Fund Funding Agreement with MHCLG, together with any necessary agreements set out in the grant agreement with MHCLG.
3. That authority be delegated to the GMCA Treasurer and the GMCA Monitoring Officer to agree the final terms of all the necessary agreements.

20 BUDGET REPORTS

A. GMCA COVID Finances and Reserves

1. That the report be noted.
2. That the estimated financial impacts of COVID 19 on GMCA and TFGM budgets be noted.
3. That the detailed analysis on the position of the following budgets be noted:
 - GM Waste Disposal Budgets
 - Retained Business Rates pilot
 - Metrolink
 - Other GMCA Reserves

4. That the proposal to manage the impact of waste LAMA charges to districts within the overall waste budget and waste reserves be noted.
5. That the return of £15m of GMCA reserves to the nine GM waste districts be approved.
6. That additional funding for Marketing Manchester of £215k be approved and sourced from GMCA core budgets.

B. GMCA Capital Outturn 2019/2020

1. That the 2019/20 actual outturn capital expenditure, compared to the forecast position presented to the GMCA in February 2020, be noted.
2. That the following additions to the 2020/21 Capital Programme be approved:
 - £21.887m for the Clean Air as set out in section 10 of the report
 - £0.1m for the Waste scheme at Salford Road as set out in paragraph 13.3 of the report

C. GMCA Provisional Revenue Outturn 2019/20

1. That it be noted that Mayoral General Budget provisional revenue outturn position for 2019/20 represents an underspend of £1.356 million, with a proposal to transfer the underspend to the Bus Service Operator Grant earmarked reserve.
2. That it be noted that the Mayoral General – GM Fire & Rescue provisional revenue outturn position for 2019/20 represents an underspend of £2.664m after planned use of £3.529m of General Fund reserve approved as part of the 2019/20 budget, with a proposal to transfer the underspend back to Fire General Fund.
3. That it be noted that the GMCA General Budget provisional revenue outturn position for 2019/20 represents an underspend of £1.117m after planned transfers between earmarked reserves, with a proposal to transfer the final balance to General Fund once the accounts are closed and the outturn is confirmed.
4. That it be noted that the GMCA transport revenue outturn position for 2019/20 was in line with the break-even budget after planned transfers between earmarked reserves and proposal to meet from Capital Programme earmarked reserve and application of additional external grant funding received.
5. That it be noted that the Waste outturn position for 2019/20 was in line with budget after transfers from earmarked reserves.

6. That it be noted that the TfGM revenue position for 2019/20 was in line with budget after transfers between earmarked reserves.
7. That it be noted that due to the impact of Covid-19 the Government has extended the statutory deadline for the publication of the 2019-20 draft accounts by three months to 31st August 2020.
8. That it be noted that the final position, was subject to the submission of the audited accounts, to be finalised by 30th November 2020, to the GMCA Audit Committee.

21. LOCAL GROWTH DEAL PROGRAMME UPDATE AND APPROVALS (KEY DECISION)

1. That the current position in relation to the overall Growth Deal programme, which was now in the final year of delivery be noted.
2. That the proposal to utilise the financial flexibilities available to GM, in order to bring new projects into the Local Growth Fund portfolio (as set out in Section 2 of the report) and the amendment of the funding structure of the current LGF projects in order to fully commit and spend LGF funding by March 2021, as set out in Appendix A, C and D be approved.
3. That the financial and delivery arrangements for the Transport Major Schemes programme as a whole, as set out in Section 3 and Appendix A of the report, be approved.
4. That the expenditure approvals for the full Transport Minor Works and Additional Priorities Programmes, as set out in Section 4 and Appendix B of the report, be agreed.
5. That the granting of Full Approval for the Rochdale M62 J19 (South Heywood Link Road) scheme, and the associated release of the remaining funding required to deliver these works, as set out in Section 5 of the report, be approved.
6. That it be noted that the remaining £6.868 million of Growth Deal 1 funding and the allocation and release of £3.0 million of Growth Deal 3 Northern Gateway funding, when combined with the £0.428 million of development funding previously released, will amount to an overall Growth Deal investment of £10.296 million.
7. That the release of £1.9 million of Growth Deal 3 funding, to facilitate the delivery of an advanced works package on the Wigan M58 Link Road scheme, as set out in Section 6 of the report, be approved.
8. That Full Approval for the Stockport Interchange Mixed Use scheme, and the release of the outstanding £20 million of the overall Growth Deal allocation of £61.7 million for the scheme that is required to deliver these works, as set out in

Section 7 of the report, be approved.

9. That the reallocation from the Great Ancoats Street scheme of £1.2 million funding to the Hyde Road Pinch Point scheme and £1 million of contingency allowance to the Regent Road/Water Street scheme, as set out in Section 8 of the report, be approved.
10. That the current position of the Non Transport element of the original programme, which was now fully committed, as set out in section 9 of the report, be noted.
11. That the final skills capital round (round 3) of £1.78 million, as set out in section 10 of this report be approved for conditional approval to progress to due diligence as follows:
 - a) Bury College, Estate Refurbishment, Grant £70k
 - b) Hopwood Hall College, Advanced Technology Centre, Grant £1.71m
12. That authority be delegated to the GMCA Treasurer and GMCA Monitoring Officer to review the due diligence information and, subject to GM Local Enterprise Partnership approval (scheduled for early August), to agree detailed commercial terms, any outstanding conditions and issue final documentation in respect of the grants in 9 a) and b) above.
13. That it be noted that full approval of this report will result in the full commitment of the whole of the £493.5 million Growth Deal grant, awarded over three Growth Deals to the GM LEP from 2015-2021 for capital projects, and put GM on track to spend all of the £493.5 million LGF funding by March 2021.
14. That the Chief Executive Officer, GMCA & TfGM to confirm the status of the Hattersley Station / Albion Way scheme within current Local Growth Deal Programme.

22 THE MAYOR'S CYCLING AND WALKING CHALLENGE FUND (MCF) AND EMERGENCY ACTIVE TRAVEL FUNDING, TRANCHE 1 (KEY DECISION)

1. That the progress made in developing a set of Mayor's Cycling and Walking Fund delivery priorities across GM and the agreement of a prioritised first phase for the programme be noted.
2. That £0.6 million Mayor's Cycling and Walking funding for the Wigan Smithy Brook Road scheme, in order to secure full approval and enable the signing of a delivery agreement, be approved.
3. That the addition to the 2020/21 Capital Programme of £1.9 million of costs, to be funded from the capital grant of £1.9 million that forms part of the £3.2 million of Emergency Active Travel (Tranche 1) funding, as set out in section 3 of the report, be approved.

23 REFORM INVESTMENT FUND UPDATE - REPORT DEFERRED

That the report be deferred to the GMCA in September 2020.

24 GM HOUSING INVESTMENT LOANS FUND INVESTMENT APPROVAL RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That the GM Housing Investment Loans Fund loan detailed in the table below be approved:

BORROWER	SCHEME	DISTRICT	LOAN
Splash Developments Ltd	Medlock Rd	Oldham	£1.600m

2. That authority be delegated to the GMCA Treasurer and GMCA Monitoring Officer to prepare and effect the necessary legal agreements.
3. That the GM Housing Investment Loans Fund equity investment approved under delegation in March 2020 detailed in the table below be noted.

PARTNERSHIP	FUND	DISTRICT	EQUITY
Social & Sustainable Housing Limited Partnership	Social & Sustainable Housing Fund	GM wide	£5.000m

4. That the revised GM Housing Investment Loans Fund loan approved under delegation in July 2020 be noted.

BORROWER	SCHEME	DISTRICT	REVISED LOAN
Hollins Homes (Wingates) Ltd	Hartley's Farm	Bolton	£4.381m

5. That the update, set out in the report, on the Community Led Housing Initiative, be noted.
6. That authority be delegated to the GMCA Chief Executive Officer, GMCA & TfGM, in consultation with the Portfolio Lead for Planning, Housing & Homelessness, to approve projects for funding in the period 1 August 2020 to 24 September 2020.

25 GM HOUSING INVESTMENT LOANS FUND: 2019/20 UPDATE REPORT

That this item be deferred to the next meeting of the GMCA.

26 GM INVESTMENT FRAMEWORK AND CONDITIONAL PROJECT APPROVALS

1. That the funding application for Castlefield House Properties Limited (loan of £5,000,000) be approved, and progressed to due diligence.
2. That the funding application for GM Social Enterprise Emergency Relief Fund (loan of £1,500,000) be approved and progressed to due diligence.
3. That authority be delegated to the GMCA Treasurer and GMCA Monitoring Officer to

review the due diligence information in respect of the funding, and, subject to their satisfactory review and agreement of the due diligence information and the overall detailed commercial terms of the transactions, to sign off any outstanding conditions, issue final approvals and complete any necessary related documentation in respect of the loans at 1 and 2 above.

4. That authority be delegated to the GMCA Chief Executive Officer, GMCA & TfGM and GMCA Authority Treasurer, in consultation with the Portfolio Lead for Investment and Resources, to approve projects for funding and agree urgent variations to the terms of funding in the period 1 August 2020 to 24 September 2020. Any recommendations that are approved under the delegation will be reported to the next available meeting of the GMCA.

27. EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

That, under section 100 (A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 the press and public should be excluded from the meeting for the following items on business on the grounds that this involved the likely disclosure of exempt information, as set out in the relevant paragraphs of Part 1, Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 and that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighed the public interest in disclosing the information.

28. GM HOUSING INVESTMENT LOANS FUND - INVESTMENT APPROVAL RECOMMENDATIONS

That the report be noted.

29. GM INVESTMENT FRAMEWORK: CONDITIONAL PROJECT APPROVALS

That the report be noted.

A link to the full agenda and papers can be found here:

<https://democracy.greatermanchester-ca.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=136&MId=4097&Ver=4>

This decision notice was issued 3 August 2020 on behalf of Julie Connor, Secretary to the Greater Manchester Combined Authority, Broadhurst House, 56 Oxford Street, Manchester M1 6EU. The deadline for call in of the attached decisions is 4.00pm 8 August 2020.

Call-In Process

In accordance with the scrutiny procedure rules, these decisions would come into effect five days after the publication of this notice unless before that time any three members of the relevant Overview and Scrutiny Committee decides to call-in a decision.

Members must give notice in writing to the Chief Executive that they wish to call-in a decision, stating their reason(s) why the decision should be scrutinised. The period between the publication of this decision notice and the time a decision may be implemented is the 'call-in' period.

Decisions which have already been considered by an Overview and Scrutiny Committee, and where the GMCA's decision agrees with the views of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee may not be called in.