CABINET MEETING

Meeting: 28 September 2020 At: 6.00 pm

PRESENT

Councillor Elise Wilson (Leader of the Council and Devolution) (Chair) in the chair; Councillor Tom McGee (Deputy Leader and Resources, Commissioning & Governance) (Vice-Chair); Councillors Sheila Bailey (Sustainable Stockport), Kate Butler (Citizen Focus & Engagement), Colin Foster (Children, Family Services & Education), David Meller (Economy & Regeneration), Amanda Peers (Inclusive Neighbourhoods) and Jude Wells (Adult Care & Health).

1. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillors and officers were invited to declare any interests they had in any of the items on the agenda for the meeting.

No declarations of interest were made.

2. URGENT DECISIONS

No urgent decisions were reported.

3. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

No public questions were submitted.

Key Decisions

4. CLEAN AIR CONSULTATION INCLUDING UNIFIED TAXI LICENSING REPORT

The Cabinet Members for Adult Care & Health and Sustainable Stockport submitted a report (copies of which had been circulated) setting out the progress that had been made on the development of Greater Manchester's Clean Air Plan following the decision that the GM Local Authorities will move to a statutory public consultation on the GM Clean Air Plan as soon as reasonably practicable in light of COVID-19 restrictions, and the link to taxi and private hire common minimum licensing standards. The report also considered the formal governance mechanisms that will underpin the delivery of a GM Clean Air Zone (CAZ) and the supporting measures.

RESOLVED – The Cabinet has:-

- (1) Noted the progress of the Greater Manchester Clean Air Plan;
- (2) 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) Noted the update on the possible impacts of COVID-19 on the GM Clean Air Plan;

- (4) Agreed that Stockport Council along with the other nine GM local Authorities hold n 8-week public consultation on the GM Clean Air Plan commencing in October 2020;
- (5) Noted that the GM local Authorities intend to consult on GM's proposed Minimum Licensing Standards, alongside the Clean Air Plan consultation;
- (6) Agreed that TfGM act as the Operating Body for the GM CAZ and supporting measures as set out at paragraph 9.5;
- (7) Agreed that Stockport Council along with the other nine GM Authorities individually be a 'charging authority' for the purposes of the CAZ, pursuant to the Transport Act 2000;
- (8) Endorsed the GM Clean Air Plan Policy for Consultation at Appendix 3;
- (9) Noted the Equalities Impact Assessment on the Clean Air Plan, as set out at Appendix 5;
- (10) Noted that further reports will be brought forward to set out the formal governance mechanisms that will underpin the delivery of a GM Clean Air Zone (CAZ) and the supporting measures, including the full scope of the suite of powers that will be needed to be delegated to the Operating Body;
- (11) Agreed a delegation to the Corporate Director of Place Management and Regeneration in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Adult Care and Health and Director of Public Health to approve the submission of the cases for measures to the Government's Joint Air Quality Unit to support the GM Clean Air Plan;
- (12) Agreed a delegation to the Corporate Director of Place Management and Regeneration in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Adult Care and Health and Director of Public Health to approve the GM Clean Air Plan consultation materials, to include the Equalities Impact Assessment on the consultation; and
- (13) Noted that response to DfT's Decarbonising Transport setting the challenge, as set out at Appendix 1, has been submitted to Government.
- (14) Noted that the consultation sets the proposed boundary of the Clean Air Zone to exclude the A555 from the junction with the B5166 in the west to the junction with A523 in the east, as outlined at paragraph 4.17.

5. TO CONSIDER RECOMMENDATIONS OF SCRUTINY COMMITTEES

There were no recommendations to consider.

The meeting closed at 6.14 pm