

**NOTICE OF DECISIONS AGREED AT THE MEETING OF THE GREATER  
MANCHESTER COMBINED AUTHORITY HELD ON FRIDAY, 29 NOVEMBER, 2024**

**PRESENT:**

Mayor of Greater Manchester	Andy Burnham (in the Chair)
Deputy Mayor (Police, Crime & Fire)	Kate Green
Bolton	Councillor Nicholas Peel
Bury	Councillor Eamonn O'Brien
Manchester	Councillor Bev Craig
Oldham	Councillor Arooj Shah
Rochdale	Councillor Neil Emmott
Salford	City Mayor Paul Dennett
Stockport	Councillor Mark Hunter
Tameside	Councillor Eleanor Wills
Trafford	Councillor Tom Ross
Wigan	Councillor David Molyneux

**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:**

GM Transport Commissioner	Vernon Everitt
GMFRS	CFO Dave Russel
GMP	Supt. Gareth Parkin

**OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE:**

Group Chief Executive Officer, GMCA, GMFRS & TfGM	Caroline Simpson
Group Deputy Chief Executive	Andrew Lightfoot
Group Monitoring Officer	Gillian Duckworth
Group Treasurer	Steve Wilson
GMCA Director of Governance & Scrutiny	Julie Connor
Bolton	Sue Johnson
Bury	Lynne Ridsdale
Manchester	Paul Marshall
Oldham	Shelley Kipling
Rochdale	Kuiama Thompson

Salford	Tom Stannard
Stockport	Michael Cullen
Tameside	Harry Catherall
Trafford	Sara Todd
Wigan	Alison McKenzie-Folan
TfGM	Martin Lax
TfGM	Steve Warrener
TfGM	Peter Boulton
GMCA	Mark Atherton
GMCA	Sylvia Welsh
GMCA	Lee Teasdale

### **1. Apologies**

That apologies be received from Steve Rumbelow (Rochdale), Councillor Nadim Muslim (Chair of GM Overview & Scrutiny Committee), Dame Sarah Storey (GM Active Travel Commissioner) & Warren Escadale (Chair of GM VCSFE Leadership Group).

### **2. Chairs Announcements and Urgent Business**

That an update on the announcement of £10 million of support from government in the form of an inactivity trailblazer, and how this in turn will support the region's Live Well plan be received.

### **3. Declarations of Interest**

That it be noted that Deputy Mayor Kate Green declared an interest in Item 15 (GM Investment Zone) in respect to her role as a Governor of Manchester Metropolitan University

### **4. Minutes of the GMCA Meeting Held on 25<sup>th</sup> October 2024**

That the minutes of the GMCA meeting held on 25<sup>h</sup> October 2024 be approved.

## **5. GMCA Resources Committee Minutes – 25 October 2024**

That the minutes of the GMCA Resources Committee held on 25 October 2024 be approved including:

- (a) That the extension of delegations to the Group Chief Executive and associated changes to the terms of reference of the Resources Committee to be included within the GMCA Constitution regarding staffing matters to align with common practice in local government be approved.
- (b) That delegated authority be given to the GMCA Monitoring Officer to update the GMCA Constitution to reflect the changes.

## **6. GMCA Overview & Scrutiny Committee Minutes – 23 October 2024**

That the minutes of the GMCA Overview & Scrutiny Committee meeting held on 23 October 2024 be noted.

## **7. GMCA Bee Network Committee Minutes – 24 October 2024**

That the minutes of the GMCA Bee Network Committee held on 24 October 2024 be noted.

## **8. GMCA Audit Committee Minutes – 22 October 2024**

That the minutes of the GMCA Audit Committee held on 22 October 2024 be noted.

## **9. GM Appointments**

1. That the appointment of a GMCA Member to the GMCA Standards Committee and a GMCA Member to the Growth Company Board be deferred to the December 2024 meeting of the GMCA.
2. That the appointment of Councillor Yvonne Klieve to replace Councillor Paula Wakefield (Wigan) as a substitute member of the GM Police, Fire & Crime Panel be noted.

## **10. Bee Network Update**

1. That the presentation be noted.
2. That it be noted that the timelines for GM Rail Integration into the Bee Network will be confirmed in the new year.

## **11. Vision Zero for Greater Manchester (Key Decision)**

1. That the GMCA record its thanks to the family of Frankie Jules-Hough for their bravery and support for the Vision Zero Strategy.
2. That condolences be expressed to the family of Marcus Simmons-Allen.
3. That the contents of the Vision Zero Strategy and Action Plan be noted.
4. That the final Vision Zero Strategy and Action Plan and the formal adoption of a Vision Zero ambition for GM, where no one will suffer death or life changing injuries on our roads, be approved.
5. That the launch of the £1m Vision Zero Innovation Fund earlier in November be noted.
6. That the GMCA record its thanks to Dame Sarah Storey for her support in driving forward the implementation of the Vision Zero Strategy and the School Streets initiative.
7. That it be noted that the development of a code of practice to address safety issues arising as a result of food delivery cyclists will be progressed in the new year.
8. That the GMCA record its thanks be to all first responders at road traffic accidents for their admirable dedication to what was an extremely emotionally demanding job.
9. That the importance of highways priorities within phase 2 of the Bee Network and wider active travel ambitions be noted.

## **12. Implementation of the GM VCFSE Accord**

1. That the progress update and the next steps, as outlined at section 4, of the report submitted, be noted and that a further report be submitted to the GMCA for consideration early in 2025.
2. That an invitation should be extended to the Chair of the GM VCFSE Leadership Group to attend future meetings of the Combined Authority.

## **13. Five Year Environment Plan 2025-2030 (Key Decision)**

1. That the Greater Manchester Five Year Environment Plan, as contained within Annex 01, of the report submitted, be approved.
2. That the development process and next steps for its' professional design, publication and launch at the Green Summit on 9<sup>th</sup> December be noted.
3. That the Greater Manchester Climate Risk Assessment, as a technical appendix to the Plan (Annex 02), be noted.
4. That it be noted that the co-benefits sustainability assessment of the Plan was positive.
5. That the comments highlighted from the GM Overview & Scrutiny Committee consideration of the Plan be noted.
6. That the ongoing position in relation to the Pilsworth South Landfill be noted.
7. That the need to revisit the Waste & Minerals plan be noted and that this will be considered to AGMA in the new year.

## **14. GM Children & Young People Programme Update**

1. That the updates on the Children and Young People's Programme be noted.
2. That the proposal to extend the existing travel offer for care-experienced young people up to age 25 be endorsed, subject to funding being identified and approved as part of the Transport Budget setting process.
3. That it be noted that an update on early years SEND education would be submitted to the GMCA in the new year.
4. That the update received on Children's Services at Tameside be noted, with thanks expressed to partners across the region for their recent support.
5. That the Mayor of Greater Manchester approved the proposal to extend the existing travel offer for care-experienced young people up to age 25, subject to funding being identified and approved as part of the Transport Budget setting.

#### **15. Greater Manchester Investment Zone (Key Decision)**

1. That the proposed approach be noted.
2. That authority be delegated to the GMCA Chief Executive Officer, in consultation with the Treasurer and the Economy Portfolio Chief Executive and Leader, to negotiate with Government and agree project allocations in each financial year to 2028/29. An annual programme update will then be provided to the GMCA setting out project progress, risks, and the impact of the funded interventions.

#### **16. Greater Manchester One Network Connectivity Partner Procurement (Key Decision)**

1. That approval be given to the GMCA entering into the contract with Telent for GM One Network Connectivity Managed Services Partner services valued at up to £3m to enable services that provide connectivity to more sites, creating an agreement that can be drawn on for the benefit of partners in GM One Network (at their cost); noting that orders under the contract will be subject to the governance set out in the report and decisions in accordance with the Constitution.

#### **17. GMCA Revenue Update Quarter 2 2024/25**

1. That the forecast position at 30<sup>th</sup> September 2024 be noted.
2. That an increase to the Mayoral budget of £80k funded from Mayoral reserves towards spend on mayoral priorities (para 3.2) be approved.

#### **18. GMCA Capital Update Quarter 2 2024/25**

1. That the current 2024/25 forecast of £581.8m compared to the previous forecast of £636.3m be noted.
2. That the addition of £0.3m National Highways funding to the 2024/25 capital programme to design and deliver a further 23 bus stop upgrades in Oldham, Tameside and Manchester, as outlined in section 2.7.5, as part of the Bus Infrastructure programme be approved.

#### **19. Greater Manchester Investment Framework, Conditional Project Approval (Key Decision)**

1. That an equity investment of up to £300,000 to Shopblocks Limited be approved.
2. That an equity investment of £250,000 to Molymem Limited be approved.
3. That an equity investment of £150,000 to Wull Technologies Limited be approved.

4. That the update on the loan to Sustainable Ventures (North) Limited be noted.
5. That authority be delegated to the Group Treasurer in consultation with the Group Monitoring Officer to review the due diligence information in respect of the above investments, and, subject to their satisfactory review and agreement of the due diligence information and the overall detailed commercial terms of the investments, to sign off any outstanding conditions, issue final approvals and complete any necessary related documentation in respect of the investments noted above.

## **20. 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.

## **PART B**

## **21. Greater Manchester Investment Framework Recommendations**

That the report be noted.

**Clerk's Note:** This item was considered in support of the report considered in Part A of the agenda (Item 19 above refers).

**A link to the full agenda and papers can be found here:** [Greater Manchester Combined Authority](#)

This decision notice was issued 02 December 2024 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 on 09 December 2024.

### **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 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 the 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.