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<b>Title of report:</b>	<b>Update on Greater Manchester Joint Authorities Activity</b> 
<b>Report by:</b>	<b>Leader of the Council</b>
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<b>Ward(s) to which the report relates:</b>	All
<b>Summary:</b>	This report provides an update on the activity of the Greater Manchester Combined Authority.

## 1 Background

- 1.1 This report provides an update on work of the Greater Manchester Combined Authority (GMCA) and other Greater Manchester joint authorities following an update to Council in January 2024.
- 1.2 Since the last update there has been five meetings of the Greater Manchester Combined Authority.

## Spotlight FOR JULY - GREATER MANCHESTER WASTE

### Background – GMCA Waste Partnership

GMCA Waste and Resources Team are the largest waste disposal authority in the country and are responsible for the management and disposal of municipal waste from Greater Manchester (this was formerly known as Greater Manchester Waste Disposal Authority) they handle around 4 per cent of the UK's municipal waste, making them the largest waste disposal authority in the country. This is approximately 1.02 million tonnes of waste and recycling each year from over a million households from the metropolitan districts of Bolton, Bury, Manchester, Oldham, Rochdale, Salford, Stockport, Tameside, and Trafford.

In 2019, SUEZ signed a contract with GMCA for the management of GM's waste facilities with an initial seven-year term with a priced optional 3-year extension. The contractual arrangement delivered @ £40m per annum in reduction costs compared to the previous PFI contract. As we are now in contract year 5, a review of options has been looked at as if the decision to run a procurement exercise of this scale would take two years. All options were reviewed and in March 2024 it was approved to extend the waste disposal contract with SUEZ for an 8 year period. This has resulted in @ £80m saving than extending for a further 3 years and then running a procurement process. The new contract should come into effect by the end of July 2024.

Working with Suez, we have added more items that can be recycled at the HWRCs including plasterboard, hard plastics & mattresses.

Suez have also set up the Renew Hub in Trafford where preloved items are donated, repaired, if necessary, and then sold to the public via a website. This initiative has extended the life of many items that might have been disposed of and shows that we are working towards a circular economy as against a linear economy.

At the Renew Hub, our waste partner Suez are giving opportunities to offenders to work at the Hub. The results show that offenders who work at the Hub are 75% less likely to offend. We plan to extend this initiative to the Materials Recovery Facility.

### The Future.

Over the next 5 years, there are a number of strategic matters that will come into effect that will influence the cost base and strategic direction of both waste collection and disposal in Greater Manchester. These are:

- Collection of plastic pots, tubs and trays in your comingled (blue) bin.
- New Materials Recycling Facility (MRF)
- Simpler Recycling
- UK Emissions Trading Scheme

### Collection of plastic pots tubs and trays

In October we will be implementing a kerbside collection of pots, tubs, and trays to be collected from the blue bin. A communication plan is currently being pulled together by GMCA in preparation for the roll out of the additional plastic waste materials.

### **New Material Recycling Facility (MRF)**

In January 2024 it was approved to progress with the construction of a new MRF at Salford Road, Over Hulton, Bolton. The new facility will be state of the art and will be able to collect, more comingled waste including pots, trays & tubs. It is projected that the MRF will come online in April 2026.

For information:

All recyclates are processed in the UK  
The grey bin residual waste is incinerated at our power station at Runcorn.

### **Simpler Recycling**

The Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (Defra) has been consulting on the national Resources and Waste Strategy (RaWS) over the last 5 years with a series of prolonged delays in publishing consultation responses and on 9 May 2024, published its latest guidance on Simpler Recycling across England.

The current guidance advises:

- All dry recycling (glass, cans, plastics, paper, and card) can be collected in one recycling bin and collected separately from residual and organic waste.
- Collect Food and Garden waste in one waste bin from households and businesses.
- If is preferred that food liners are provided, however, there are no plans to fund local authorities to provide caddy liners to households.
- Garden waste collections are to be offered to all households for no less than 36 weeks and are offered between March and October unless it is situated at a place which in the opinion of the LA is so isolated or inaccessible that the cost of collecting it would be unreasonably high.
- Collection frequency of residual waste should be no less than fortnightly alongside a weekly collection of food waste.

Simpler Recycling strategy provides statutory guidance that waste disposal that advises:

***“To provide a residual waste collection at least fortnightly basis. The government actively encourages councils to collect residual waste more frequently than fortnightly; this minimum standard provides a backstop, not a recommendation.”***

This will affect four of the nine authorities across GM, including Bury. For Bury we are therefore seeking legal advice from our team to see why we have **“very good reasons not to”** and we will also be writing to both Defra and the new Labour, Secretary of State to request the frequency of collections to be reconsidered due to the following:

- Three-weekly collections were successfully introduced in 2016.
- The current system works effectively for households that participate in recycling and has served to increase the borough’s recycling rate from one of the lowest in GM to over 55%. If we were to go fortnightly, we would see the recycling rate reduce by approx. 9%.
- Increasing the frequency of collections would require extra vehicles, extra crews and more depot space, which would result in significant financial implications and put extra pressure on the council’s already highly stretched finances of at least £3m per annum.
- The extra miles travelled to carry out more frequent collections would exacerbate the council’s carbon footprint and negatively impact our goal to be carbon neutral by 2038.

Similarly for the brown bin, while the strategy suggests weekly collections for food waste, we can continue to collect fortnightly as we have been successful in applying for transitional arrangements and do not require to implement weekly food waste until the contract with Suez ends in 2034.

## **UK Emissions Trading Scheme**

The previous Government had gone out to consultation on the UK Emissions Trading Scheme. The latest guidance is that energy from waste will now be included in the UK’s Emissions Trading Scheme (UKETS). This means that GM will be required to pay a levy for the carbon released into the atmosphere. This will be implemented 1 January 2028.

This means that for each tonne of carbon emitted comes at a price and emitters will be required to purchase enough allowances to cover their emissions and work to reduce the emissions. Based on the original costs from government to calculate the costs, this could be in the region of **£17.5m per annum**.

As Chair of the Waste Committee, the Head of Waste Management and Fleet and the GMCA are currently working together to feedback on the current consultation to the new Labour administration.

With the partnership working between GMCA, SUEZ and the LAs, we have been able to implement across GM a number of campaigns and policy changes including:

## **Fly-tipping**

In May, we launched our new fly-tipping campaign, 'Your Waste, Your Responsibility'. The campaign was promoted widely across Greater Manchester, including Bury to tackle a specific problem of residents using rogue traders to dispose of their waste, which is then often fly tipped. Outdoor adverts and a video shows that if traders illegally dump their waste, it can be traced back to residents and they could be fined. A number of advertising campaigns have been rolled out, including digital advertising specifically targeting residents in close proximity to recycling centres, reminding residents waste can be taken to the local recycling centre. However, the situation still remains that even if we do take offenders to Magistrate's Court we sometimes we do not get the costs awarded after the Magistrate's find the offender guilty.

## **Vapes**

New bins for vapes have now been added to all household waste recycling centres across Greater Manchester. This includes Cemetery Road in Radcliffe and Every Street in Bury. Residents could previously dispose of vapes on site in the small electricals bins, but it's hoped that by introducing bespoke vape bins, it will increase visibility of the problem and highlight the importance of recycling these items properly to residents, therefore reducing the number of bin and vehicle fires at our recycling facilities.

## **Household Waste Recycling Centre Access Policy and Van Permit Scheme.**

A new policy was introduced across GM, in July 2019 to address the abuse by traders seeking to dispose of their waste illegally. This has had a positive impact at the sites at the annual HWRC visits have decreased from 5,951,323 down to 4,750,000, a reduction of over 1.2 million visits per annum. The notable reductions from 2021/22 to 2022/23 include:

- Contract Waste – 17% reduction (40,595 tonnes);
- Rubble – 19% reduction (7,492 tonnes);
- Wood - 6,069t (14% reduction);
- Thermally Recovered waste - 19,555 tonnes (20% reduction); and
- Green - 2,938 tonnes (22% reduction).

More waste at the HWRC is now being segregated and the recycling rates at the HWRCs have increased from 49.61% to 58.75% an increase of 10%.

Overall, this has resulted in:

- reducing congestion on sites;
- improving the segregation of recyclable waste;
- reducing the numbers of HGV-type service vehicles having to service sites and used Greater Manchester's congested road network;
- reducing disposal costs; and
- improving the working conditions and morale of staff as conflict between suspected traders and staff has reduced.

In Bury and across other GM authorities we have seen no increase in the amount of fly tipping since the introduction of the policy change.

### **Prestwich Clough Day**

We were delighted to attend the annual Prestwich Clough Day on May 19th this year, in partnership with Bury Council’s Waste team. On our stall we had information leaflets about Bury waste services as well as items to help prevent food waste like rice measuring cups and spaghetti measurers.

On the day we spoke to around 80 residents about waste and recycling issues. We had lots of positive discussions, encouraging people to waste less and recycle more. Some of the topics that came up were around recycling in flats, how residents can access replacement bins and pots, tubs and trays.

### **Recycling Centre Rates**

<b>Site</b>	<b>Month (%)</b>	<b>Year to date (%)</b>
Cemetery Rd, Radcliffe	59%	56%
Every St, Fernhill	59%	56%

### **Levy Savings**

Over the last 6 years, the Council has received refunds of £9.9m from GMCA Waste and Resources Team.

<b>Year</b>	<b>Refund £m</b>
2019/20	£2.349
2020/21	£2.120
2021/22	£-
2022/23	£0.809
2023/24	£3.007
2024/25	£1.621
<b>Total</b>	<b>£9.906</b>

## **2 Mayoral General Budget and Precept Proposals**

- 2.1 At the [26 January 2024 meeting of GMCA](#), members agreed:
- 2.2 That approval be given to the Mayor's proposal to increase the Mayoral General Precept by £5 to £112.95 (for a Band D property) comprising of:
  - 2.2.1 Functions previously covered by the Fire & Rescue Authority – Precept of £81.20 (£5 Increase).
  - 2.2.2 Other Mayoral general functions – Precept of £31.75 (no increase)
- 2.3 That the GMCA was given the opportunity to note and comment on:
  - 2.3.1 The overall budget proposed for the Fire & Rescue Service.
  - 2.3.2 The use of the reserves to support the revenue and capital budgets, and the assessment by the Treasurer that the reserves as at March 2025 are adequate.
  - 2.3.3 The proposed Fire Service capital programme and proposals for funding.
  - 2.3.4 The medium-term financial position for the Fire and Rescue Service covered by the Mayoral precept.
- 2.4 That the GMCA was given the opportunity to note and comment on the detailed budget proposals for other mayoral functions.
- 2.5 That the GMCA was given the opportunity to note and comment on the use of reserves as set out in Paragraph 3.3 of the report.
- 2.6 That the process for submitting any written comments to the Mayor in line with the legal process and timetable described in this report be noted.
- 2.7 That it be noted that at the GMCA meeting on 9 February 2024 there will be an updated budget submitted, consistent with the precept proposals, to reflect final tax base and collection fund calculations and the final baseline funding settlement.
- 2.8 That the comments raised by the Chair of the GMCA Overview & Scrutiny Committee be received and noted.
- 2.9 That the challenges presented by the below inflation increase in home office funding for both police and fire be noted.
- 2.10 That concerns that the current government funding package offered does not represent a long-term solution to the many issues faced within local authorities be noted.

## **3 Vision Zero Strategy**

- 3.1 At the 26 January 2024 meeting of GMCA, members agreed:
- 3.2 That the comments on the content of the draft strategy be noted.
- 3.3 That the draft Vision Zero Strategy and the commencement of a period of engagement with stakeholders and the public be approved.
- 3.4 That it be noted that a supporting Action Plan will be developed and brought to the GMCA following the period of stakeholder and public engagement on the strategy.
- 3.5 That the comments raised by the Chair of the GMCA Overview & Scrutiny Committee be received and noted.

#### **4 Greater Manchester Investment Plan**

- 4.1 At the 26 January 2024 meeting of GMCA, members agreed:
- 4.2 That the Investment Plan set out in this document and the receiving of periodic updates be approved.
- 4.3 That the Investment Milestones as set out in Annex 1 be agreed.
- 4.4 That the Investment Principles set out in Annex 2 be agreed.
- 4.5 That the boundaries proposed for the GM Investment Zones and GM Growth Zones as set out in Annex 3 be approved.

#### **5 Greater Manchester Brownfield Programme - Year 2 and 3 Methodology and Allocations**

- 5.1 At the 26 January 2024 meeting of GMCA, members agreed:
- 5.2 That approval be given to the methodology for prioritising schemes in Year 2 and Year 3 of the Brownfield programme, as set out in Section 2 and Appendix 1.
- 5.3 That approval be given to the allocation of the remaining £115m of the overall £150m funding devolved to GMCA.
- 5.4 That approval be given to the utilisation of up to £500k from Brownfield grant overage payments to contribute to the revenue funding requirements of delivering the programme.



- 5.5 That authority be delegated to the GMCA Treasurer, acting in consultation with the GMCA Monitoring Officer, to effect the necessary legal agreements for the individual grants between the GMCA and grant recipients, as set out in Appendix 2.
- 5.6 That Mayor Burnham and Councillor Cooney will write to government to update on its strength and ability to deliver on brownfield projects, and that further funding would deliver the outputs sought by government at a pace beyond the rest of the country.

**6 Greater Manchester Housing Investment Recommendations**

- 6.1 At the 26 January 2024 meeting of GMCA, members agreed:
- 6.2 That approval be given to GM Housing Investment Loans Fund loan detailed in the table below, as detailed further in this and the accompanying Part B report;

BORROWER	SCHEME	DISTRICT	LOAN
Britannia Victoria Ltd	Victoria Park Probation Centre	Manchester	£9.632m

- 6.3 That authority be delegated to the GMCA Treasurer acting in conjunction with the GMCA Monitoring Officer to prepare and effect the necessary legal agreements.

**7 Greater Manchester Investment Framework**

- 7.1 At the 26 January 2024 meeting of GMCA, members agreed:
- 7.2 That approval be given for a loan of up to £300,000 to HM Pasties Ltd.
- 7.3 That authority be delegated to the Combined Authority Treasurer and Combined Authority Monitoring Officer to review the due diligence information in respect of the above loan, and, subject to their satisfactory review and agreement of the due diligence information and the overall detailed commercial terms of the loan, to sign off any outstanding conditions, issue final approvals and complete any necessary related documentation in respect of the loan noted above.

**8 TfGM Senior Appointments**

- 8.1 At the 26 January 2024 meeting of GMCA, members agreed:
- 8.2 That the disestablishment of the role of TfGM Chief Operating Officer and the creation of and recruitment to a new role of TfGM Chief Network Officer be noted and approved.

- 8.3 That authorisation be given to the commencement of a recruitment process of the TfGM Chief Network Officer.
- 8.4 That approval be given to the use of a recruitment executive search agency to provide independent support to the process.
- 8.5 That approval be given to the appointment of Steve Warrener as Interim Managing Director, in addition to his substantive role of Finance and Corporate Services Director, pending further discussions with the incoming Group CEO.
- 8.6 That approval be given to the appointment of the role of Chief Network Officer as a member of the TfGM Executive to replace the Chief Operating Officer and retain the Finance and Corporate Services Director as a member of TfGM Executive in the renamed joint role of Interim Managing Director/Finance and Corporate Services Director.
- 8.7 That it be noted that the Director General has been consulted on the content of this report.

## **9 Greater Manchester Housing Investment Recommendations**

- 9.1 At the 26 January 2024 meeting of GMCA, members agreed that the contents of the report be noted.

## **10 Greater Manchester Investment Framework**

- 10.1 At the 26 January 2024 meeting of GMCA, members agreed that the contents of the report be noted.

## **11 GMCA Revenue and Capital Budgets 2024/5 Overview**

- 11.1 At the [9 February 2024 meeting of GMCA](#), members agreed that the contents of the summary report be noted.

## **12 Mayoral General Budget & Precept Proposals 2024/25**

- 12.1 At the 9 February 2024 meeting of GMCA, members agreed:
- 12.2 That the Mayor's General budget for 2024/25, as set out in this report together with the calculation of the precepts and Council Tax rates set out in Appendix 2, be approved.
- 12.3 That the Mayoral General Precept to £112.95 (Band D) comprising of £81.20 for functions previously covered by the Fire and Rescue Authority precept and £31.75 for other Mayoral General functions be approved.

12.4 That the following be approved:

12.4.1 the overall budget for the Fire and Rescue Service for 2024/25 covered by the Mayoral precept.

12.4.2 the medium-term financial position for the Fire and Rescue Service.

12.5 That approval be given to the use of reserves, as set out in section 3 of the report, and the assessment by the Treasurer that the reserves as at March 2025 were adequate.

12.6 That it be noted that in accordance with legal requirements, the minutes will record the names of those Members voting for or against the Mayor's budget and precept proposals.

12.7 That the feedback from the GMCA Overview and Scrutiny Committee be received and noted.

### **13 GMCA Transport Revenue Budget 2024/25**

13.1 At the 9 February 2024 meeting of GMCA, members agreed:

13.2 That the risks and issues which were affecting the 2024/25 transport budgets, as detailed in the report, be noted.

13.3 That the GMCA budget relating to transport functions funded through the Levy, as set out in this report, for 2024/25 be approved.

13.4 That a Transport Levy on the District Councils in 2024/25 of £119.473m, apportioned on the basis of mid-year population 2022, be approved.

13.5 That a Statutory Charge of £86.7m to District Councils in 2024/25, as set out in Part 4 of the Transport Order, apportioned on the basis of mid-year population 2022, be approved.

13.6 That the proposal to increase fees and charges, as noted in the report, including the increases proposed Departure Charges and Bus stop closure charges, as set out in paragraphs 4.24 and 4.25, be endorsed.

13.7 That the use of Transport reserves in 2023/24 and 2024/25, as detailed in section, be approved.

### **14 GMCA General Revenue Budget 2024/25**

14.1 At the 9 February 2024 meeting of GMCA, members agreed:

14.2 That the budget relating to the Greater Manchester Combined Authority functions, excluding transport and waste in 2024/25, as set out in section 2 of the report, be approved.

14.3 That District contributions of £8.5 million, as set out in section 5 of the report, be approved.

14.4 That the use of reserves, as set out in section 6 of the report, be approved.

## **15 GM Waste Budget and Resources - Budget and Levy 2024/25 and Medium Term Financial Plan to 2023/24 - 2025/26**

15.1 At the 9 February 2024 meeting of GMCA, members agreed:

15.2 That the proposed 2025/26 Trade Waste rate of £138.93, to allow forward planning by Greater Manchester Local Authorities, be approved.

15.3 That the budget and levy for 2024/25 of £174.3m (3.1% increase) be approved.

15.4 That a one-off reduction of £20m to the levy in 2024/25, funded from reserves reducing the 2024/25 requirement to £154.3m be approved and that authority be delegated to the GMCA Treasurer to agree the basis of distribution with Greater Manchester Local Authority Treasurers.

15.5 That the risk position set out in the Balances Strategy and Reserves be noted.

15.6 That Members welcome the work undertaken by the Finance Team that has allowed for the return of funds into local authority budgets.

## **16 GMCA Capital Programme -2023/24 - 2026/7**

16.1 At the 9 February 2024 meeting of GMCA, members agreed:

16.2 That the current 2023/24 forecast of £579.1m compared to the 2023/24 previous forecast of £623.6m be noted and that changes to the capital programme, as set out in the report and Appendix A, be approved.

16.3 That the capital programme budget for 2024/25 of £685.2m and the forward plan for future years, as set out in the report and Appendix A, be approved.

16.4 That the addition to, and the subsequent drawdown from, the 2023/24 capital programme of £4.4m for local highways maintenance activities, as outlined in section 3.9.4 of this report, be approved.

16.5 That the inclusion of Trailblazer funding, as outlined in section 4.14 of the report, be approved.

## **17 GMCA Revenue Update - Quarter 3 2023/24**

17.1 At the 9 February 2024 meeting of GMCA, members agreed:

17.2 That the 2023/24 forecast outturn position for the GMCA budgets at the end of December 2023 (quarter 3) be noted.

17.3 That the return of the forecast in year underspend of £10m from the Waste & resources budget be approved.

## **18 Commemoration of the Ukrainian Holodomor**

18.1 At the [23 February 2024 meeting of GMCA](#), members agreed:

18.2 That the contents of the report be noted.

18.3 That the update on the 'Unbroken Cities' network plans to support the Mayor of Lviv on the development of a rehabilitation centre be received.

18.4 That the GMCA endorses the following statement:

The Holodomor was an act of genocide against Ukrainians in 1932-33.

The GMCA recognises the 4th Saturday of November as a day of remembrance for the innocent victims of the Holodomor.

## **19 Homelessness from the Asylum System - Update and Response**

19.1 At the 23 February 2024 meeting of GMCA, members agreed:

19.2 That the unprecedented levels of homelessness and rough sleeping among new refugees in Greater Manchester, the linked service pressures and the opportunities for improvements to our service offer to this cohort, now and in the longer-term be noted.

19.3 That support be given to efforts to secure additional funds to boost Voluntary Community Faith Social Enterprise (VCFSE) provision for this cohort, with a focus on prevention and Private Rented Sector (PRS) access, and ensure that Housing Options and homelessness teams support delivery of GMCA-commissioned services.

- 19.4 That the continued or additional investment in capacity for specialist frontline support for people in or leaving the asylum system, especially across homelessness, social services, education teams, using current and future (potential) Asylum Dispersal Grant funding be considered.
- 19.5 That support be given for continued engagement with national Government and efforts to evidence and communicate impacts on people, services and communities are visible more widely.
- 19.6 That support be given to shared key policy asks in order to:
- 19.6.1 give GM's local systems time to recover;
  - 19.6.2 fund GM's systems to enable effective response now and in the longer term;
  - 19.6.3 improve transitions from the asylum system and;
  - 19.6.4 address wider policy issues that are preventing access to affordable housing.
- 19.7 That the update received on the ongoing significant pressures placed upon local authorities in meeting homelessness need as a result of failures in national migration and asylum policy be noted.

## **20 Public Switched Telephone Network (PSTN) Switchover Update**

- 20.1 At the 23 February 2024 meeting of GMCA, members agreed:
- 20.2 That the significant issues in telecare arising from the PSTN switchover rollout be noted.
- 20.3 That support be given to further action including correspondence with Government to urge action in response to the current risk to adults, and to develop a funded National Action Plan that includes telecare switchover working with telecommunications providers, the telecare industry and the LGA.
- 20.4 That the establishment of the GM PSTN Working Group as a forum to assess the readiness of GM for the switch over, share best practice and bring forward significant issues as they arise be noted.
- 20.5 That it be noted that there has been an exchange of letters between the Mayor and DSIT Secretary of State in December 2023 and January 2024 regarding increasing concerns of the PSTN switchover.
- 20.6 That it be noted that a further paper would be brought back to the GMCA asking the government for an extension to the switchover deadline.

## **21 Greater Manchester Age-Friendly Strategy**

- 21.1 At the 23 February 2024 meeting of GMCA, members agreed:
- 21.2 That the refreshed Greater Manchester Age-Friendly Strategy be approved.
- 21.3 That the comments received from Nakib Narat, the Chair of the GM Older People's Equality Panel, be noted.
- 21.4 That thanks be expressed to all political and officer leads for their considerable work on developing the refreshed Strategy.

## **22 Net Zero Accelerator Funding**

- 22.1 At the 23 February 2024 meeting of GMCA, members agreed:
- 22.2 That the update on Innovate UK funding and the opportunity to deliver a Net Zero Accelerator be noted.
- 22.3 That approval be given to GMCA submitting a business case and acting as the accountable body for a circa £6-7m award from Department of Energy Security and Net Zero (DESNZ) potentially via Cambridge and Peterborough Combined Authority, with delegated authority to the Lead Portfolio holder, Chief Executive and Treasurer to finalise the business case, receive and defray funding if successful.

## **23 Greater Manchester Investment Zone**

- 23.1 At the 23 February 2024 meeting of GMCA, members agreed:
- 23.2 That That authority be delegated to the GMCA Chief Executive Officer and Treasurer, in consultation with the Economy Portfolio Chief Executive and Leader, to negotiate with Government project allocations in 2024-25.
- 23.3 That a further update will be provided to the GMCA, following Ministerial approval, confirming the project allocations in 2024-25, and overall indicative allocations across the programme as a whole be noted.
- 23.4 That the further detail sought by members on the GM Investment Zone Package be made available at the appropriate time.

## **24 Greater Manchester Investment Framework**

- 24.1 At the 23 February 2024 meeting of GMCA, members agreed:
- 24.2 That an equity investment of up to £500k to Advanced Therapeutic Materials Ltd be approved.
- 24.3 That a convertible loan of up to £400k to Financielle Ltd be approved.
- 24.4 That a loan of up to £300k to Home Global Holdings Ltd be approved.
- 24.5 That authority be delegated to the Combined Authority Treasurer and Combined Authority 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.

## **25 Delivering the Bee Network: Bus Franchising Implementation Update**

- 25.1 At the 23 February 2024 meeting of GMCA, members agreed:
- 25.2 That the progress towards the implementation of Tranche 2 of bus franchising be noted.
- 25.3 That the update received on the Bee Network Night Bus Pilot be noted.

## **26 The Greater Manchester Franchising Scheme for Buses 2021 - Procurement Update**

- 26.1 At the 23 February 2024 meeting of GMCA, members agreed:
- 26.2 That the outcome of the process to procure a preferred service provider to operate the Hyde Road, Sharston, Stockport, Tameside and Wythenshawe Large Local Service Contracts in Sub-Area C of the Scheme be noted and agreed.
- 26.3 That the proposed key contractual arrangements of the Hyde Road, Sharston, Stockport, Tameside and Wythenshawe Large Local Service Contracts be noted.
- 26.4 That the comments of the GMCA Overview & Scrutiny Committee be received and noted.
- 26.5 That the update received on the proposal for a contactless rail pilot scheme to take place within Greater Manchester in 2025 be noted.
- 26.6 That it be noted that the new Stockport Interchange will officially be opened on 17th March.



26.7 That it be noted that a new fleet of electric buses will operate out of South Manchester from November 2024, ahead of Tranche 3 going live in early 2025.

## **27 Greater Manchester Investment Framework**

27.1 At the 23 February 2024 meeting of GMCA, members agreed that the contents of the report be noted.

## **28 Bus Franchising Tranche 3 - Large Local Service Contract: Hyde Road, Stockport, Sharston, Tameside, and Wythenshawe**

28.1 At the 23rd February 2024 meeting of GMCA, members agreed that the recommendations within the report be approved.

## **29 Appointment of Group Chief executive GMCA, Fire & TFGM**

33.1 At the [22 March 2024 meeting of GMCA](#), members agreed:

33.2 That the recruitment process undertaken be noted.

33.3 That the appointment of Caroline Simpson to the role of Group Chief Executive Officer for the GMCA, Fire & TfGM at a salary of £240k per annum, based on the role description attached to this report be approved.

33.4 That Caroline Simpson (as the Chief Executive Officer of the GMCA) be designated as the statutory Head of Paid Service for the GMCA in accordance with s4 Local Government & Housing Act 1989.

33.5 That Caroline Simpson (as the Chief Executive Officer of the GMCA) be appointed as the Combined Authority Returning Officer for any Combined Authority election taking place after the commencement of her appointment.

33.6 That Caroline Simpson be appointed as the Group Chief Executive Officer of TfGM (the Transport Executive) and GMCA (the Transport Authority) as the Director General of TfGM in accordance with the provisions of the Transport Act 1968.

33.7 That authority be delegated to the GMCA Deputy Chief Executive & GMCA Solicitor & Monitoring Officer to finalise the terms of the contract and the start date.

## **30 A bed every night budget and update 2024/25**

34.1 At the 22 March 2024 meeting of GMCA, members agreed:

34.2 That the A Bed Every Night budget for 2024/25 (£5,600,000) be approved.

34.3 That the intended direction of travel for the ABEN budget for 2025/26 be noted.

34.4 That following the last year of the programme there be a review of the year, considering how the activity could be continually built upon.

34.5 That the Mayor will raise the importance of changing funding mechanisms to ensure a fair flow to districts with additional burdens when he meets with the Home Secretary.

### **31 Greater Manchester Children & Young People's programme update**

35.1 At the 22 March 2024 meeting of GMCA, members agreed:

35.2 That the positive early signs in relation to compliance with the 'Greater Manchester Pledge' as part of an ambition to tackle the issue of high costs and reliance on agency social workers be noted.

35.3 That the positive progress towards the establishment of the Greater Manchester Fostering Hub, to be hosted by Rochdale Council, as part of the national Fostering pathfinder, supported by the announcement of a further allocation of funding from DfE to support communications activity over the next 12 months, be noted.

35.4 That funding of up to £5m be allocated to acquire properties to be used for Project Skyline. The selection of properties will be determined by the Skyline Board and recommended to the GMCA for acquisition.

35.5 That authority be delegated to the GMCA Treasurer and GMCA Solicitor & Monitoring Officer to review and agree the due diligence information and the overall detailed commercial terms of the acquisitions, to sign off any conditions, issue final approvals and complete any documentation in respect of the property acquisitions on behalf of the GMCA, as recommended by the Skyline Board.

35.6 That authority be delegated to the GMCA Treasurer and GMCA Solicitor & Monitoring Officer to review, agree the content, and sign the Partnership Agreement on behalf of GMCA, noting that GMCA's role is one of convener, funder, owner and landlord of the properties acquired.

35.7 That approval be given for the GMCA to take the lead role in procuring the contract on behalf of the 10 districts but that one of the 10 LAs is named in the contract as the lead Authority and is provided as part of the partnership arrangements with resources to manage the contract on an ongoing basis on behalf of the 10. That it be noted that contract management will have resource implications which will need to be shared across Local Authorities.

35.8 That the current consultation process underway with Locality Boards across Greater Manchester in relation to the development of the 'Giving every child and young person the best start in life' part of the GM Integrated Care Partnership Joint Forward Plan, be noted.

### **32 #Beewell Survey Headlines**

- 36.1 At the 22 March 2024 meeting of GMCA, members agreed:
- 36.2 That the key findings of the 2023 #BeeWell survey results be noted.
- 36.3 That approval be given for members to act on what the data was telling and support the #BeeWell mission to make young people's wellbeing everybody's business and that those examples provided in the report to suggest connections to local priorities, ensuring young people's voices were leading the response be utilised.
- 36.4 That the examples shared where #BeeWell, and the voices of young people, has had impact, locally be received.
- 36.5 That the GMCA record its thanks to Councillor Mark Hunter and the Childrens Board for their work in bringing the survey together.
- 36.6 That approval be given for the valuable ward breakdown data to be made available to individual districts.

### **33 Cost Of Living & Economic Resilience Update**

- 37.1 At the 22 March 2024 meeting of GMCA, members agreed:
- 37.2 That the latest assessment and emerging response and views on the next steps in that response be noted.
- 37.3 That the GMCA record its continued concerns around the uncertainty of ongoing Household Support Funding.
- 37.4 That the Deputy Mayors campaign in collaboration with the Co-Operative Group to make violence against retail workers a specific offence be noted.
- 37.5 That Transport for Greater Manchester be requested to remind residents through communications channels of the significant savings that could be made through combined travel mode ticket offers.

### **34 Greater Manchester Faith, Belief and Interfaith Covenant**

- 38.1 At the 22 March 2024 meeting of GMCA, members agreed:
- 38.2 That the Covenant and the commitments within it be endorsed.
- 38.3 That the GMCA record its thanks to Rabbi Warren Elf for his continued contribution.
- 38.4 That the GMCA record its thanks to Sara Todd as the Chief Executive Lead for the work undertaken on the Covenant.

### **35 Greater Manchester Devolved Adult Education Budget (AEB) And Free Courses For Jobs (FCFJ) Update**

- 39.1 At the 22 March 2024 meeting of GMCA, members agreed:
- 39.2 That the achievements and performance of Greater Manchester's devolved Adult Education Budget (AEB) for the 2022/2023 academic year, set out in Section 2 be noted.
- 39.3 That the developments and progress of Greater Manchester's devolved Adult Education Budget (AEB) for the current 2023/2024 academic year, set out in Section 3, be noted.
- 39.4 That the proposed indicative devolved AEB allocations and 'Level 3 Single Pot' for grant funded and indicative devolved AEB allocations for procured providers for skills provision be approved and that authority be delegated to the GMCA Treasurer to agree any minor changes that arise during discussions between each institution and GMCA.
- 39.5 That the Level 3 Single Pot commissioning approach be noted and that authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer, GMCA & TfGM, GMCA Treasurer and GMCA Solicitor & Monitoring Officer, in consultation with the Portfolio Lead and Portfolio Lead Chief Executive for Education, Skills, Work, Apprenticeships and Digital to take forward this commissioning, to contract award.
- 39.6 That authority be delegated to the GMCA Treasurer, in consultation with the Portfolio Lead and Portfolio Lead Chief Executive for Education, Skills, Work, Apprenticeships and Digital, to make decisions relating to the procurement of skills & work delivery utilising any devolved AEB underspend.
- 39.7 That approval be given for support to be continued for the administration and management costs for the 2024/2025 academic year.
- 39.8 That the Mayor of Greater Manchester approved the proposed indicative devolved AEB allocations, 'Level 3 Single Pot' and subsequent expenditure for the GM grant-funded local authorities, and to grant delegated authority to the GMCA Treasurer to approve any minor changes that arise in the course of discussions between each local authority and GMCA.
- 39.9 That the Mayor of Greater Manchester approved the continuation of the AEB LA Grant Programme to each of the ten local authorities, including varying where necessary levels of funding per local authority.
- 39.10 That the GMCA record its thanks the GMCA Education, Work & Skills Team.

### **36 Greater Manchester Smart Decarbonisation Network**

- 40.1 At the 22 March 2024 meeting of GMCA, members agreed:

- 40.2 That the development of the Greater Manchester Smart Decarbonisation Network (GM-SDN) in line with the Memorandum of Agreement between GMCA and DSIT be endorsed.
- 40.3 That support be given to work between local authorities to share learning and where possible identify opportunities to scale the Smart Decarbonisation Network (SDN) and associated outcomes.
- 40.4 That authority be delegated to the GMCA Treasurer, in consultation with the Portfolio Lead for Digital City Region, to approve the allocation of funding for partner organisations and any required variations to funding allocations subsequently required to meet the overall project objectives within the defined parameters of the project.

### **37 Retained Business Rates Update**

- 41.1 At the 22 March 2024 meeting of GMCA, members agreed:
- 41.2 That the comments of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee be received and noted.
- 41.3 That the GMCA record its thanks to the GMCA Finance Team.
- 41.4 That the forecast, as at the end of quarter 3, for 2023/24 business rates income be noted.
- 41.5 That the planned income for 2024/25 be noted.
- 41.6 That the proposed 2024/25 Greater Manchester use of the 2023/24 business rates income be approved.
- 41.7 That the position in respect of the future developments in relation to retained business rates be noted, including
  - 41.8 Trailblazer Devolution (TDD) 10-year business rates retention scheme.
  - 41.9 TDD Growth Zones enhanced business rates areas.
  - 41.10 Investment Zone enhanced business rates areas.
  - 41.11 GM partial reset
  - 41.12 Future approach to GM investment

### **38 Treasury Management Strategy**

- 42.1 At the 22 March 2024 meeting of GMCA, members agreed:
- 42.2 That the Treasury Management Strategy Statement, Minimum Revenue Provision Policy Statement and Annual Investment Strategy be approved.

### **39 2024/25 GMCA Capital Strategy**

43.1 At the 22 March 2024 meeting of GMCA, members agreed:

43.2 That the Capital Strategy for 2024/25 be approved.

### **40 Progress in Tackling the Biodiversity Emergency in Greater Manchester**

44.1 At the 22 March 2024 meeting of GMCA, members agreed:

44.2 That the publication of a State of Nature Report be noted.

44.3 That the progress in developing the Greater Manchester Local Nature Recovery Strategy be noted.

44.4 That the delivery of the Green Spaces Fund be noted.

44.5 That the compliance with the Biodiversity Duty be noted.

### **41 Biowaste Management Strategy and Procurement**

45.1 That the commencement of the procurement process for biowaste treatment contracts for the period June 2026 to March 2034 be approved.

45.2 That authority be delegated to the GMCA Head of Paid Service in consultation with the GMCA Treasurer and the Portfolio Lead for Green City Region, to approve the award of contracts under the biowaste framework.

45.3 That authority be delegated to the GMCA Solicitor & Monitoring Officer to complete all necessary legal agreements for the Biowaste treatment contracts.

45.4 That approval be given to the market testing exercise as set out in the biowaste strategy at section 4.0.

### **42 Future Waste Service Provision**

46.1 At the 22 March 2024 meeting of GMCA, members agreed:

46.2 That the extension of the WRMS and HWRCMS contracts for waste disposal between the parties set out in section 1 of the report from 2026 to 2034 be approved.

46.3 That the completion of contract documentation be delegated to the GMCA Treasurer and GMCA Solicitor & Monitoring Officer, in consultation with to the Executive Director, Waste and Resources.

46.4 That the concerns raised about the landfill site at Pilsworth South be noted and that the resolution of the issue be considered a highest level priority due to ongoing health concerns raised by residents.

#### **43 GMCA Tootal Buildings Lease Renewal**

- 47.1 At the 22 March 2024 meeting of GMCA, members agreed:
- 47.2 That the Lease renewal for accommodation within the Tootal Buildings to be occupied by the GMCA on a 10-year term with 5-year break option as per the terms set out in the corresponding Part B report be approved.
- 47.3 That authority be delegated to the GMCA Solicitor & Monitoring Officer and GMCA Treasurer to finalise the terms and complete the lease and any related documents required to give effect to this decision.

#### **44 Greater Manchester Land Commission - Update**

- 48.1 At the 22 March 2024 meeting of GMCA, members agreed:
- 48.2 That the report be noted.

#### **45 Greater Manchester Housing Delivery Plan**

- 49.1 At the 22 March 2024 meeting of GMCA, members agreed:
- 49.2 That the Greater Manchester Housing Delivery Plan, as set out in this document and the Implementation Plan as set out in Annex 1, be approved.

#### **46 Long Term Investment into Housing Delivery**

- 50.1 At the 22 March 2024 meeting of GMCA, members agreed:
- 50.2 That approval be given for a £5m loan into a newly created Greater Manchester Key Worker Fund, to be managed by Places for People's investment arm – Thriving Investments Limited.
- 50.3 That the use of £2m to refinance the Greater Manchester Housing Investment Fund investment from Hive Homes (Greater Manchester) LLP be approved.
- 50.4 That the proposed £0.5m equity investment to Step Places for the third phase of the Bolton Moor Lane development be approved.
- 50.5 That authority be delegated to the GMCA Treasurer, in consultation with the GMCA Solicitor & Monitoring Officer, to prepare and effect the necessary legal agreements.

#### **47 Greater Manchester Housing Investment Loans Fund and Brownfield Housing Fund**

- 51.1 At the 22 March 2024 meeting of GMCA, members agreed:

51.2 That the GMHILF loans, detailed in the table below, be approved, as detailed further in this and the accompanying Part B report. The recommendation is to approve as a cap on lending, with the Combined Authority committing to provide £120m across the two schemes and having the option to provide a further £20m if there was surplus funding available.

BORROWER	SCHEME	DISTRICT	LOAN
Trinity Developments (Manchester) Ltd	Tower D1, Trinity Island	Manchester	£70.8m
New Jackson (Contour) Investments Ltd	Contour	Manchester	£69.2m

51.3 That authority be delegated to the GMCA Treasurer to change the funding source of GMHILF loans into the Brownfield Housing Fund in advance of 31 March 2024.

51.4 That authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer GMCA & TfGM, in consultation with the Portfolio Lead for Housing, to approve funding and urgent variations to existing funding for GMHILF, City Deal Receipts and/or the Brownfield Housing Fund funding in the period 22 March 2024 to 31 May 2024.

51.5 That authority be delegated to the GMCA Treasurer, in consultation with the GMCA Solicitor & Monitoring Officer to prepare and effect the necessary legal agreements.

51.6 That it be noted that any recommendations approved under the delegation will be reported to the next available meeting of the GMCA.

#### **48 Greater Manchester Investment Framework, Conditional Project Approval**

52.1 At the 22 March 2024 meeting of GMCA, members agreed:

52.2 That the proposed follow-on equity investment of up to £300k to The Modular Analytics Company Limited be approved.

52.3 That the capital loan of up to £2.6m to Glenbrook Industrial Limited be approved.

52.4 That amendments to the £650k loan in place with FM Outsource Limited be approved.

52.5 That authority be delegated to the GMCA Treasurer and GMCA Solicitor & 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.



52.6 That authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer, GMCA & TfGM and the GMCA 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 22 March 2024 to 30 May 2024.

52.7 That it be noted that any recommendations approved under the delegation will be reported to the next available meeting of the GMCA.

#### **49 Future Waste Service Provision**

53.1 At the 22 March 2024 meeting of GMCA, members agreed:

53.2 That the report be noted.

#### **50 GMCA Tootal Buildings Lease Renewal**

54.1 At the 22 March 2024 meeting of GMCA, members agreed:

54.2 That the report be noted.

#### **51 Appointment of Chair 2024/25**

55.1 At the [14 June 2024 meeting of GMCA](#), members agreed:

55.2 That it be noted that Andy Burnham, as the Mayor of Greater Manchester, under Part 5A, section 4 of the Constitution, is the Chair of the GMCA (ex- officio).

#### **52 Appointment of Vice-Chairs 2024/25**

56.1 At the 14 June 2024 meeting of GMCA, members agreed:

56.2 That it be noted that City Mayor, Paul Dennett, Deputy Mayor, is automatically appointed as a Vice Chair of the GMCA, under Part 5 section 4, of the Constitution.

56.3 That it be noted that that Councillor Mark Hunter is automatically appointed as a Vice Chair of the GMCA, under Part 5A, section 4, of the Constitution.

56.4 That the appointment of Councillor Bev Craig as a Vice Chair of the GMCA, under Part 5A, section 4, of the Constitution be approved.

#### **53 Appointments to Greater Manchester Bodies**

57.1 At the 14 June 2024 meeting of GMCA, members agreed:

57.2 That appointments by Greater Manchester Local Authorities of members and substitute members to the Greater Manchester Combined Authority for 2024/25 be noted, and that it also be noted that all substitute members will be invited to attend meetings of the

GMCA, to be able to speak but not vote (unless acting in the absence of their member) as provided for in the constitution.

- 57.3 That the appointment of Julie Connor, Director of Governance & Scrutiny, as the Secretary of the GMCA be approved.
- 57.4 That Councillors Nick Peel (Lab) (Bolton), Bev Craig (Lab) (Manchester), Arooj Shah (Lab) (Oldham), Gerald Cooney (Lab) (Tameside), and Mark Hunter (Lib Dem) (Stockport) be appointed to the GMCA Standards Committee for 2024/25.
- 57.5 That Members Andy Burnham (Lab), Bev Craig (Lab), (Manchester), Paul Dennett (Lab) (Salford), Eamonn O'Brien (Lab), (Bury), Tom Ross (Labour) (Trafford), David Molyneux (Lab) (Wigan) and Mark Hunter (Lib Dem) (Stockport) be appointed to the GMCA Resources Committee for 2024/25.
- 57.6 That Councillors Elliot Moss (Lab) (Bury), Andrew Simcock (Lab) (Manchester), Colin McLaren (Lab) (Oldham) and Dylan Butt (Con) (Trafford) be appointed as the member and Councillors Emily Mort (Lab) (Bolton) and Jack Youd (Lab) (Salford) be appointed as the substitute members to the GMCA Audit Committee for 2024/25.
- 57.7 That the following 15 members and substitute members be appointed to the GMCA Waste & Recycling Committee for 2024/25 as follows:

<b>District</b>	<b>Member</b>	<b>Substitute</b>
<b>Bolton</b>	Richard Silvester (Lab)	Robert Morrissey (Lab)
<b>Bury</b>	Alan Quinn (Lab)	To be confirmed (Lab)
	Gareth Staples-Jones (Lab)	To be confirmed (Lab)
<b>Manchester</b>	Lee-Ann Igbon (Lab)	To be confirmed (Lab)
	Shaukat Ali (Lab)	To be confirmed (Lab)
<b>Oldham</b>	Ken Rustidge (Lab)	To be confirmed (Lab)
	Pam Byrne (Con)	David Arnott (Con)
<b>Rochdale</b>	Aasim Rashid (Lab)	To be confirmed (Lab)
<b>Salford</b>	David Lancaster (Lab)	Barbara Bentham (Lab)
		Arnold Saunders (Con)
<b>Stockport</b>	Dena Ryness (Lab)	Davd Meller (Lab)
	Mark Roberts (Lib Dem)	Grace Baynham (Lib D)
<b>Tameside</b>	Denise Ward (Lab)	Hugh Roderick (Lab)

<b>Trafford</b>	Stephen Adshead (Lab)	To be confirmed (Lab)
	Dylan Butt (Con)	
	To be confirmed (Lib Dem)	To be confirmed (Lib Dem)
<b>Wigan</b>	NA	

- 57.8 That it be noted that the appointment of the Chair of the GMCA Waste & Recycling Committee will be made by the GMCA, on the recommendation of the GMCA Waste & Recycling Committee.
- 57.9 That the appointment of the Mayor of Greater Manchester to the Bee Network Committee for 2024/25 be noted.
- 57.10 That Tom Ross (Lab) (Trafford) be appointed, to act as the substitute member for the Mayor of Greater Manchester, to the Bee Network Committee for 2024/5.
- 57.11 That Eamonn O'Brien (Lab) (Bury) be appointed to act as the GMCA member on the Bee Network Committee member for 2024/25, and that Neil Emmott (Lab) (Rochdale) be appointed to act as GMCA substitute member on the Bee Network Committee for 2024/25.
- 57.12 That the appointments to the Bee Network Committee by the 10 GM Local Authorities for 2024/25, be noted, as follows:

<b>District</b>	<b>Member</b>	<b>Substitute</b>
<b>Bolton</b>	Hamdi Khurram (Lab)	Sean Fielding (Lab)
<b>Bury</b>	Alan Quinn (Lab)	Gareth Staples-Jones (Lab)
<b>Manchester</b>	Tracey Rawlins (Lab)	To be confirmed (Lab)
<b>Oldham</b>	Joshua Charters (Lab)	Chris Goodwin (Lab)
<b>Rochdale</b>	Phil Burke (Lab)	Aasim Rashid (Lab)
<b>Salford</b>	Paul Dennett (Lab)	Mike McCusker (Lab)
<b>Stockport</b>	Grace Baynham (Lib Dem)	Mark Roberts (Lib Dem)
<b>Tameside</b>	Laura Boyle (Lab)	Andrew McClaren (Lab)

<b>Trafford</b>	Aidan Williams (Lab)	Stephen Adshead (Lab)
<b>Wigan</b>	Paul Prescott (Lab)	John Vickers (Lab)

57.13 That it be noted that the Mayor will appoint up to 4 additional members to the GMCA Bee Network Committee.

57.14 That the Bee Network Committee be requested to appoint 5 members from the Committee (4 Labour and 1 Conservative) to the GMATL Board for 2024/25.

57.15 That 20 members and 20 substitute members be appointed to the GMCA Overview & Scrutiny Committee for 2024/25 as follows:

<b>District</b>	<b>Member</b>	<b>Substitute</b>
<b>Bolton</b>	Nadim Muslim (Con)	Mohammed Iqbal (Lab)
	Peter Wright (Independent)	Robert Morrissey (Lab)
<b>Bury</b>	Russell Bernstein (Con)	Gavin McGill (Lab)
	Imran Rizvi (Lab)	To be confirmed (Lab)
<b>Manchester</b>	John Leech (Lib Dem)	
	Basil Curley (Lab)	John Hughes (Lab)
	Mandie Shilton Godwin (Lab)	Anthony McCaul (Lab)
<b>Oldham</b>	Colin McLaren (Lab)	Louie Hamblett (Lib Dem)
		Junaid Hussain (Lab)
<b>Rochdale</b>	Dylan Williams (Lab)	Ashley Dearnley (Con)
	Terry Smith (Lab)	Sameena Zaheer (Lab)
<b>Salford</b>	Lewis Nelson (Lab)	Neil Reynolds (Lab)
	Joshua Brooks (Lab)	Maria Brabiner (Lab)
<b>Stockport</b>	Rachel Wise (Lab)	Steve Gribbon (Lib Dem)
		Helen Hibbert (Lab)
<b>Tameside</b>	Nalia Sharif (Lab)	Liam Billington (Con)
	Claire Reid (Lab)	Theresa Smith (Lab)
<b>Trafford</b>	Sean Ennis (Lib Dem)	George Delvin (Lab)
	Ged Carter (Lab)	Keleigh Glenton (Lab)
	Jill Axford (Lab)	
<b>Wigan</b>	Joanne Marshall (Lab)	Mary Callahan (Lab)

	Fred Walker (Lab)	Debra Wailes (Lab)
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57.16 That the appointments made by the GM Local Authorities to the GM Culture & Social Impact Fund Committee for 2024/25 be approved as follows:

District	Member	Substitute Member
<b>GMCA Portfolio Lead</b>	Neil Emmott	
<b>Bolton</b>	Nadeem Ayub (Lab)	Karen Hon (Lab)
<b>Bury</b>	Charlotte Morris (Lab)	To be confirmed
<b>Manchester</b>	Tim Whiston (Lab)	Leslie Bell (Lab)
<b>Oldham</b>	Peter Dean (Lab)	Aftab Hussain (Lab)
<b>Rochdale</b>	Janet Emsley (Lab)	Kathryn Bromfield (Lab)
<b>Salford</b>	Hannah Robinson-Smith (Lab)	Jack Youd (Lab)
<b>Stockport</b>	To be confirmed	To be confirmed
<b>Tameside</b>	Vimal Choksi (Lab)	Sangita Patel (Lab)
<b>Trafford</b>	Catherine Hynes (Lab)	Rose Thompson (Lab)
<b>Wigan</b>	Chris Ready (Lab)	Keith Cunliffe (Lab)

57.17 That the appointments to the Green City Region Board as nominated by the 10 GM Local Authorities for 2024/25 be approved as follows:

District	Member
<b>GMCA Portfolio Lead</b>	Tom Ross (Lab)
<b>Bolton</b>	Richard Silvester (Lab)
<b>Bury</b>	Gareth Staple-Jones (Lab)
<b>Manchester</b>	Tracey Rawlins (Lab)
<b>Oldham</b>	Abdul Jabbar (Lab)
<b>Rochdale</b>	Tricia Ayrton (Lab)
<b>Salford</b>	Mike McCusker (Lab)
<b>Stockport</b>	To be confirmed

<b>Tameside</b>	Jack Naylor (Lab)
<b>Trafford</b>	Aidan Williams (Lab)
<b>Wigan</b>	Paul Prescott (Lab)

57.18 That the GMCA Green-City Region Portfolio Leader be appointed to the Greater Manchester Green City Region Partnership Board for 2024/25.

57.19 That the appointments to the Greater Manchester Homelessness Programme Board as nominated by the 10 GM Local Authorities for 2024/25 be approved as follows:

<b>District</b>	<b>Member</b>	<b>Substitute</b>
<b>GMCA Portfolio Lead</b>	Paul Dennett (Lab)	
<b>Bolton</b>	Hamid Khurram (Lab)	To be confirmed
<b>Bury</b>	Clare Cummins (Lab)	Elizabeth Fitzgerald (Lab)
<b>Manchester</b>	Joanna Midgely (Lab)	To be confirmed
<b>Oldham</b>	Elaine Taylor (Lab)	Chris Goodwin (Lab)
<b>Rochdale</b>	Daniel Meredith (Lab)	To be confirmed
<b>Salford</b>	Tracy Kelly (Lab)	Wilson Nkurunziza (Lab)
<b>Stockport</b>	To be confirmed	To be confirmed
<b>Tameside</b>	Andrew McLaren (Lab)	To be confirmed
<b>Trafford</b>	James Wright (Lab)	To be confirmed
<b>Wigan</b>	Susan Gambles (Lab)	Paula Wakefield (Lab)

57.20 That the appointments to the Greater Manchester Children's Board as nominated by the 10 GM Local Authorities for 2024/25 be approved as follows:

<b>District</b>	<b>Member</b>
<b>GMCA Portfolio Lead</b>	Mark Hunter (Lib Dem)
<b>Bolton</b>	Martin Donaghy (Lab)
<b>Bury</b>	Tamoor Tariq (Lab)
<b>Manchester</b>	To be confirmed
<b>Oldham</b>	Shaid Mushtaq (Lab)
<b>Rochdale</b>	Rachel Massey (Lab)
<b>Salford</b>	Jim Cammell (Lab)

<b>Stockport</b>	To be confirmed
<b>Tameside</b>	Bill Fairfoull (Lab)
<b>Trafford</b>	Karina Cater (Lab)
<b>Wigan</b>	Jenny Bullen (Lab)

57.21 That the appointments from the GM Local Authorities to the Clean Air Charging Authorities Committee for 2024/25 be noted as follows:

<b>District</b>	<b>Member</b>	<b>Substitute</b>
<b>Bolton</b>	Richard Silvester (Lab)	Hamid Khurram (Lab)
<b>Bury</b>	Alan Quinn (Lab)	Gary Staples-Jones (Lab)
<b>Manchester</b>	Tracey Rawlins (Lab)	Linda Foley (Lab)
<b>Oldham</b>	Abdul Jabbar (Lab)	Joshua Charters (Lab)
<b>Rochdale</b>	Trisha Ayrton (Lab)	To be confirmed
<b>Salford</b>	Mike McCusker (Lab)	Jane Hamilton (Lab)
<b>Stockport</b>	To be confirmed	To be confirmed
<b>Tameside</b>	Denise Ward (Lab)	Gerald Cooney (Lab)
<b>Trafford</b>	Aidan Williams (Lab)	Stephen Adshead (Lab)
<b>Wigan</b>	Paul Prescott (Lab)	Joanne Marshall (Lab)

57.22 That the appointments from the GM Local Authorities to the Air Quality Administration Committee for 2024/25 be noted as follows:

<b>District</b>	<b>Member</b>	<b>Substitute</b>
<b>GMCA</b>	Eamonn O'Brien	
<b>Bolton</b>	<b>Richard Silvester (Lab)</b>	<b>Hamid Khurram (Lab)</b>
<b>Bury</b>	<b>Alan Quinn (Lab)</b>	<b>Gary Staples-Jones (Lab)</b>
<b>Manchester</b>	<b>Tracey Rawlins (Lab)</b>	<b>Linda Foley (Lab)</b>
<b>Oldham</b>	<b>Abdul Jabbar (Lab)</b>	<b>Joshua Charters (Lab)</b>
<b>Rochdale</b>	<b>Tricia Ayrton (Lab)</b>	<b>To be confirmed</b>
<b>Salford</b>	<b>Mike McCusker (Lab)</b>	<b>Jane Hamilton (Lab)</b>
<b>Stockport</b>	<b>To be confirmed</b>	<b>To be confirmed</b>

<b>Tameside</b>	<b>Jacqueline North (Lab)</b>	<b>Andrew McLaren (Lab)</b>
<b>Trafford</b>	<b>Aidan Williams (Lab)</b>	<b>Stephen Adshead (Lab)</b>
<b>Wigan</b>	<b>Paul Prescott (Lab)</b>	<b>Joanne Marshall (Lab)</b>
<b>District</b>	<b>Member</b>	<b>Substitute</b>



57.23 That the Portfolio Leader for Clean Air be appointed to the Air Quality Administration Committee.

57.24 That the appointments from the GM Local Authorities to the GM Clean Air Scrutiny Committee for 2024/25 be noted as follows:

<b>District</b>	<b>Member</b>	<b>Substitute</b>
<b>Bolton</b>	Martin Donaghy (Lab)	Shafaqat Shaikh (Lab)
<b>Bury</b>	Elliot Moss (Lab)	To be confirmed
<b>Manchester</b>	Mandie Shilton Godwin (Lab)	To be confirmed
<b>Oldham</b>	Graham Shuttleworth (Lab)	Junaid Hussain (Lab)
<b>Rochdale</b>	Tom Besford (Lab)	To be confirmed
<b>Salford</b>	John Mullen (Lab)	Stuart Dickman (Lab)
<b>Stockport</b>	To be confirmed	To be confirmed
<b>Tameside</b>	Claire Reid (Lab)	To be confirmed
<b>Trafford</b>	Jill Axford (Lab)	To be confirmed
<b>Wigan</b>	Christine Roberts (Lab)	Samantha Brown (Lab)

57.25 That the appointments from the GM Local Authorities to the Police Fire and Crime Panel for 2024/25 be noted as follows:

<b>District</b>	<b>Member</b>	<b>Substitute</b>
<b>Bolton</b>	Rabiya Jiva (Lab)	David Chadwick (Lab)
<b>Bury</b>	Sandra Walmsley (Lab)	Richard Gold (Lab)
<b>Manchester</b>	Garry Bridges (Lab)	To be confirmed
<b>Oldham</b>	Peter Dean (Lab)	To be confirmed
<b>Rochdale</b>	Janet Emsley (Lab)	To be confirmed
<b>Salford</b>	David Lancaster (Lab)	Barbara Bentham (Lab)
<b>Stockport</b>	Councillor Tom Morrison (Lib Dem)	Steve Gribbon (Lib Dem)
<b>Tameside</b>	Vimal Choksi (Lab)	Barrie Holland (Lab)
<b>Trafford</b>	Rose Thompson (Lab)	Simon Thomas (Lab)

<b>Wigan</b>	Dane Anderton (Lab)	Paula Wakefield (Lab)
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57.26 That the appointments from the GM Local Authorities to the Police Fire and Crime Steering Group for 2024/25 as follows:

<b>District</b>	<b>Member</b>	<b>Substitute</b>
<b>Bolton</b>	Rabiya Jiva (Lab)	To be confirmed
<b>Bury</b>	Sandra Walmsley (Lab)	To be confirmed
<b>Manchester</b>	Garry Bridges (Lab)	To be confirmed
<b>Oldham</b>	Peter Dean (Lab)	Aftab Hussain (Lab)
<b>Rochdale</b>	Janet Emsley (Lab)	To be confirmed
<b>Salford</b>	David Lancaster (Lab)	Barbara Bentham (Lab)
<b>Stockport</b>	Councillor Tom Morrison (Lib Dem)	To be confirmed
<b>Tameside</b>	Vimal Choksi (Lab)	To be confirmed
<b>Trafford</b>	Rose Thompson (Lab)	Simon Thomas (Lab)
<b>Wigan</b>	Dane Anderton (Lab)	Paula Wakefield (Lab)

57.27 That the appointments from GM Local Authorities to the GM Integrated Care Partnership Board be noted as follows:

<b>District</b>	<b>Member</b>	<b>Substitute</b>
<b>Bolton</b>	Sean Fielding (Lab)	Jackie Schofield (Lab)
<b>Bury</b>	Tamoor Tariq (Lab)	Eamonn O'Brien (Lab)
<b>Manchester</b>	Bev Craig (Lab)	Thomas Robinson (Lab)
<b>Oldham</b>	Barbara Brownridge (Lab)	Marie Bashforth (Lab)
<b>Rochdale</b>	Daalat Ali (Lab)	Faisal Rana (Lab)
<b>Salford</b>	John Merry (Lab)	Mishal Saeed (Lab)
<b>Stockport</b>	To be confirmed	To be confirmed
<b>Tameside</b>	Gerald Cooney (Lab)	Eleanor Wills (Lab)

<b>Trafford</b>	Jane Slater (Lab)	Tom Ross (Lab)
<b>Wigan</b>	Keith Cunliffe (Lab)	David Molyneux (Lab)

- 57.28 That the Mayor of Greater Manchester be appointed to the GM Integrated Care Partnership Board.
- 57.29 That Andy Burnham (Lab), Arooj Shah (Lab) (Oldham), Bev Craig (Lab) (Manchester) and Eamonn O'Brien (Lab) (Bury) be appointed to the Greater Manchester Business Board (formerly Local Enterprise Partnership) for 2024/25.
- 57.30 That the Mayor of Greater Manchester be appointed to the Transport for the North Board and Rail North Committee.
- 57.31 That Eamonn O'Brien (Lab) (Bury) be appointed as the substitute member to the Transport for the North Board and as the substitute member to the Rail North Committee.
- 57.32 That Colin McLaren (Lab) (Oldham) be appointed, and Steve Adshead (Lab) (Trafford) be appointed as the substitute member to act as the GMCA's appointment to the Transport for the North Audit & Governance Committee.
- 57.33 That Mike McCusker (Lab) (Salford) be appointed, and Josh Charters (Lab) (Oldham) be appointed as the substitute member to act as the GMCA's appointment to the Transport for the North General Purposes Committee.
- 57.34 That Paul Prescott (Lab) (Wigan) be appointed, and Bev Place (Lab) (Rochdale) be appointed as the substitute member to act as the GMCA's appointment to the Transport for the North Scrutiny Committee.
- 57.35 That the Portfolio Leaders for Technical Education & Skills, Resource & Investment, Economy, Business & Inclusive Growth, Green City Region and Equalities & Communities be appointed to the UK Shared Prosperity Fund Board for 2024/25.
- 57.36 That Gerald Cooney (GMCA), Bev Craig (GMCA), Nazia Rehman (Wigan), Arooj Shah (GMCA) and Liz Patel (Trafford) be appointed to the Growth Company Board for 2024/25.
- 57.37 That subject to any further changes the GMCA may wish to make, all appointments are made up to the GMCA Annual Meeting in June 2025.

#### **54 Review of GMCA Constitution**

- 58.1 At the 14 June 2024 meeting of GMCA, members agreed:
- 58.2 That the GMCA constitution be noted.

## **55 Transport for Greater Manchester (TfGM) Update**

### **59.1 Metrolink Bury Line Cycle Parking - Completed**

59.2 High quality cycle parking facilities on the Bury Metrolink line including covered Sheffield stands with lighting and CCTV in highly visible and accessible locations at nine stops along the Bury Metrolink Line. This will make it easier for people to complete part of their journey by bike before they join the Metrolink network.

### **56 Bury Interchange Cycle Hub - Completed**

60.1 This cycle hub, 39 spaces, is a safe and secure place to lock your bike under cover, away from potential thieves. It is protected by CCTV and a swipe-card entry system. To use it, you will need to register and purchase a cycle hub membership, which will allow you access to other regional cycle hubs too.

### **57 Metrolink milestone in May 2024 with busiest month on record**

61.1 In May Metrolink recorded the busiest ever month in its 32-year history with 4.1 million people using it to travel across Greater Manchester. This sets the new record for monthly patronage with the previous highest figure being 4 million in November 2019. High profile events such as the Great Manchester Run, concerts at the Co-Op Live, football fixtures, and Manchester City's Premier League parade helped contribute to the record figure.

### **58 Streets for All Summer Walkabout**

62.1 TfGM Strategy colleagues are hosting a "Streets for All" guided walk in Salford from 11:00am until 12:30pm on Tuesday 2 July. The guided walk will involve people sharing their lived experience of how street design affects them and will have time for observation and discussion. It is open to anyone who works for a GM local authority and may be of particular interest to those who are involved, or have an interest, in street design.

62.2 The meeting point is outside The Lowry, Pier 8, The Quays, Salford, M50 3AZ, and can be found on the following Google maps link [HERE](#). The "Whatthreewords" mapping system co-ordinates are "///duty.logs.radar". 25 places are available and will be allocated on a first come, first served basis, please email [gmstreetdesignguide@tfgm.com](mailto:gmstreetdesignguide@tfgm.com) to book your place.

### **59 Network Reviews**

63.1 TfGM are carrying out a series of Network Reviews to better understand bus services across the city-region so that we can better plan our bus network. We're asking local Bee Network Committees, communities, businesses, and elected members to help us understand the transport needs of their area. If you would like to complete the survey, please contact [network.reviews@tfgm.com](mailto:network.reviews@tfgm.com).

## **60 Reminder: Business Travel Survey**

64.1 This short survey is to help us understand how businesses feel about the public transport and active travel network in Greater Manchester. It's also a chance for us to learn more about what would encourage businesses to take up sustainable ways of travelling for their employees and business operations. Businesses must operate in Greater Manchester and participants need to be able to answer on behalf of their business. The survey will close at the end of August 2024 and businesses can take part by following this [link](#).

## **61 Recommendation**

65.1 That Council note the updates from the Greater Manchester Combined Authority, Transport for Greater Manchester, and Recycle for Greater Manchester, with further updates to be presented to future Council meetings.

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### **List of Background Papers:-**

Minutes of GMCA meetings linked throughout.

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