GREATER MANCHESTER COMBINED AUTHORITY

MINUTES OF THE GREATER MANCHESTER COMBINED AUTHORITY MEETING
HELD ON FRIDAY 22nd MARCH 2013 AT FRED PERRY HOUSE STOCKPORT

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JOINT BOARD AND OTHER MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

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147/12 **APOLOGIES**

Councillor Neil Swannick, Cllr Connolly, Peter Fahy and Charlie Parker

148/12 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None received.

149/12 **MINUTES OF GMCA MEETING 22nd FEBRUARY 2013**

It was AGREED by those present that these were a true record of the meeting.

150/12 **FORWARD PLAN OF STRATEGIC DECISIONS**

Members AGREED to note the Forward Plan.

151/12 **GREATER MANCHESTER ROAD ACTIVITIES PERMIT SCHEME**

The Combined Authority received a report from Jon Lamonte, Chief Executive, TfGM informing members of the progress of implementing the Greater Manchester Road Activities Permit Scheme detailing the proposed commencement date for the Scheme and seeking approval to enter into the Operating Agreement with TfGM and the Greater Manchester Local Authorities to implement the Scheme.

The Combined Authority AGREED to:

1. Note the contents of the report;
2. Note that the commencement date for the scheme shall be 29th April 2013;
3. Authorise the entering into of an agreement with the Greater Manchester Local Authorities and TfGM in relation to joint working on terms to be approved by the Head of Paid Service of the GMCA.

152/12 **CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER, TRANSPORT FOR GREATER MANCHESTER**

The Combined Authority received a report from Jon Lamonte, Chief Executive, TfGM seeking approval to establish the current interim TfGM Chief Operating Officer role as a permanent position.

The Combined Authority AGREED:

1. That approval be given to the establishment of a permanent post of Chief Operating Officer, TfGM.
2. To approve the recruitment process for the appointment of the Chief Operating Officer, including the establishment of a panel consisting of the Combined Authority Transport Lead - Councillor Colledge, representing GMCA - Councillor Morris and the Chair of TfGMC with responsibility for recommending an appointment and a remuneration package.
3. To note that a report will be submitted to GMCA at the conclusion of the process to ratify the appointment and the remuneration package.

153/12 **CYCLE CITY AMBITION GRANT**

The Combined Authority received a report from Jon Lamonte, Chief Executive, TfGM providing information relating to a recent Department for Transport announcement with regard to the Cycle City Ambition Grant and requesting agreement of the process for bidding for this funding.

The Combined Authority AGREED to:

1. Note the progress to date with the development of a Greater Manchester Cycle City Ambition Grant submission.
2. Approve the final form of the bid to be delegated to the Head of the Paid Service and the Chief Executive of TfGM in consultation with the Chair of GMCA, the GMCA Transport Lead and the Chair of TfGMC.

154/12 **DRAFT GREATER MANCHESTER STRATEGY**

The Combined Authority received a report of Mike Emmerich, Chief Executive, New Economy detailing the draft refreshed Greater Manchester Strategy and a supporting paper setting out a series of proposed headline measures by which to assess progress in implementing the GMS. The paper also set out proposals for consultation.

The Combined Authority AGREED to:

1. Approve the draft strategy for consultation purposes.
2. Endorse the proposal to host a GMS conference as part of the consultation process.
3. Receive a further paper at the July meeting detailing the outcome of the consultation.

155/12 **GREATER MANCHESTER INTERNATIONALISATION STRATEGY**

The Combined Authority received a report of Mike Emmerich, Chief Executive, New Economy and Tim Newns, Chief Executive, Midas recommending the best way forward for GM to support greater internationalisation of trade, investment, business support, marketing and other collaborative opportunities.

The Combined Authority AGREED:

1. To endorse the proposed focus for GM partners on building links with the six key markets set out in the report: Europe, USA, China, Brazil, the United Arab Emirates, and India as described in the report.
2. That the Chief Executive of New Economy work with the Chief Executives of the new GM Growth Company, MIDAS, Marketing Manchester and the Greater Manchester Chamber of Commerce to develop more detailed implementation proposals to be brought back to a future meeting of the GMCA and the LEP.
MANCHESTER FAMILY BUSINESS PLAN

The Combined Authority received a report from Paul Simpson, Manchester Family Chief Operating Officer detailing the refreshed three year business plan and an outline of the collective contribution of the Centre of Excellence to the Greater Manchester priorities for growth, the key deliverable areas and key performance indicators.

The Combined Authority AGREED:

1. To approve the activities proposed in the business plan.
2. To receive an updated/revised business plan in quarter 4 2013/14.
3. That performance management of progress against the business plan continue to be undertaken by the GM LEP and Centre of Excellence boards.

EMPTY HOMES: FURTHER FUNDING OPPORTUNITY

The Combined Authority received a report from Eamonn Boylan, Chief Executive, Stockport Council and lead Chief Executive for Planning & Housing detailing the intended bid for resources from the HCA to bring empty homes back into use as affordable housing.

The Combined Authority AGREED the submission of a bid for further resources by the established GMCA registered provider consortium and accredited HCA Investment Partner, with the accompanying supporting statement as described in the report.

GREATER MANCHESTER TOWN CENTRES PROJECT: CONCLUDING REPORT

The Combined Authority received a report from Eamonn Boylan, Chief Executive, Stockport Council and lead Chief Executive for Planning & Housing presenting the conclusions from the recently completed Greater Manchester town centres project including the results of individual reviews for each of the eight principal town centres and proposals for further work.

The Combined Authority AGREED:

1. To note and approve the final draft report from the GM town centres project.
2. To authorise officers to continue to develop work on a potential investment fund for driving long term change within town centres.
3. That a report be brought to a future meeting with more details of the potential investment fund.
4. To authorise officers to continue to develop a GM wide delivery plan, along with individual plans for each of the eight town centres, so that momentum is maintained.
159/12 **MINUTES**

a. **GMCA Audit Committee – 24th January 2013**

The Combined Authority noted the draft minutes of the GMCA Audit Committee meeting held on 24th January 2013.

b. **TfGMC – 15th March 2013**

The Combined Authority noted the draft minutes of the TfGMC meeting held on 15th March 2013.

c. **Scrutiny Pool – 8th March 2013**

The Combined Authority noted the draft minutes of the Scrutiny Pool meeting held on 8th March 2013.

d. **Local Enterprise Partnership – 7th March 2013**

The Combined Authority noted the draft minutes of the Greater Manchester Local Enterprise Partnership held on the 7th March 2013.

e. **Greater Manchester Skills & Employment Partnership Board – 18th January 2013**

The Combined Authority noted the draft minutes of the Greater Manchester Skills & Employment Partnership Board held on the 18th January 2013.

160/12 **EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC**

The GMCA AGREED the resolution excluding the public from the meeting during consideration of items E1 for 161/12 – NW Evergreen Fund and 162/12 - Greater Manchester Investment Framework and Conditional Project Approval because they contain information relating to the financial and business affairs of particular persons and the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

161/12 **NORTH WEST EVERGREEN FUND**

The Combined Authority received a report from Howard Bernstein, Head of Paid Services providing an update in relation to the North West Evergreen Fund.

The Combined Authority AGREED to note the report and the Annual Investment Advisor’s Report for the North West Evergreen Fund.

162/12 **GM INVESTMENT FRAMEWORK AND CONDITIONAL PROJECT APPROVAL**

The Combined Authority received a report from Eamonn Boylan, Chief Executive, Stockport Council, lead Chief Executive for Investment and Charlie Parker, Chief Executive, Oldham Council, lead Chief Executives for Environment providing a summary of a GM Investment Framework (GMIF) funding application.
The Combined Authority AGREED:

1. To grant conditional approval of RGF funds, from April 2013 to June 2015, from GMIF to the Programme as outlined in the report, subject to securing the corresponding European Regional Development Fund (ERDF);

2. To delegate authority to the Head of Paid Services, Monitoring Officer and the Treasurer in consultation with the Lead Chief Executives for Environment and Investment to finalise and agree the details of the award.

3. That officers be requested to continued dialogue with ERDF colleagues about the lack of flexibility in relation to match funding.

JOINT GMCA & AGMA MATTERS

163/12 GREEN INVESTMENT BANK - PROGRESS REPORT

The Combined Authority received a report from Charlie Parker, Chief Executive, Oldham Council and lead Chief Executive for Environment providing an update in relation to the ongoing work with the Green Investment Bank including a potential joint venture arrangement and proposals to further develop the GM low carbon project pipeline.

The Combined Authority AGREED to:

1. Note the progress made in developing a low carbon pipeline in GM and to the work with the Green Investment Bank.

2. To receive a further more detailed report to a future meeting.