

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE GREATER MANCHESTER COMBINED
AUTHORITY, HELD ON THURSDAY 29 MARCH 2018
AT BURY TOWN HALL.**

PRESENT:

Greater Manchester Mayor	Andy Burnham
Bolton	Councillor Linda Thomas
Bury	Councillor Eamonn O'Brien
Manchester	Councillor Richard Leese, (Deputy Mayor)
Oldham	Councillor Jean Stretton
Rochdale	Councillor Allen Brett
Salford	City Mayor Paul Dennett
Stockport	Councillor Alex Ganotis
Tameside	Councillor Brenda Warrington
Trafford	Councillor Sean Anstee
Wigan	Councillor Peter Smith

OTHER MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Fire Committee, Chair	Councillor David Acton
GMWDA, Chair	Councillor Nigel Murphy
TfGMC	Councillor Andrew Fender
Bury	Councillor Andrea Simpson
Manchester	Councillor Angelicki Stogia
Rochdale	Councillor Sara Rowbotham
Stockport	Councillor Wendy Wild
Trafford	Councillor Dylan Butt
Wigan	Councillor Jennifer Bullen

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE:

GMCA Chief Executive	Eamonn Boylan
GMCA – Monitoring Officer	Liz Treacy
GMCA – Treasurer	Richard Paver
Office of the GM Mayor	Kevin Lee
Bury	Julie Gonda
Oldham	Carolyn Wilkins
Manchester	Geoff Little
Rochdale	Neil Thornton
Salford	Ben Dolan
Stockport	Pam Smith
Tameside	Ian Saxon
Trafford	Joanne Hyde

Wigan	Donna Hall
TfGM	Steve Warrener
GMP	Ian Pilling
GMCA	Simon Nokes
GMCA	Julie Connor
GMCA	Sylvia Welsh
GMCA	Nicola Ward
GMCA	Emma Stonier
GMCA	Chris Edwards

GMCA 52/18 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received and noted from Deputy Mayor (Policing and Crime) Beverley Hughes, Tony Oakman (Bolton), Cllr Anne Marie Watters (Bolton), Pay Jones Greenhalgh (Bury), Joanne Roney (Manchester), Cllr Barbara Brownridge (Oldham), Steve Rumbelow (Rochdale), Jim Taylor (Salford), Cllr Paula Boshell (Salford), Steve Pleasant (Tameside), Cllr Linda Travis (Tameside), Theresa Grant (Trafford), Cllr Laura Evans (Trafford), Jon Rouse (Greater Manchester Health and Social Care Partnership), Jon Lamonte (TfGM), Dawn Docx (GMFRS), Ian Hopkins (GMP) and Mark Hughes (Manchester Growth Company).

GMCA 53/18 CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS AND URGENT BUSINESS

1. KERSLAKE REVIEW

The GM Mayor gave an update to the Combined Authority regarding the recent publication of the Kerslake Review following the Manchester Arena Attack. The Mayor expressed his thanks to Lord Bob Kerslake and the panel for their report into the events of 22nd May which was carried out with care, judgement and empathy.

Key areas highlighted were;

- The overall response of agencies within GM was highlighted as positive and this was a message which should be shared with individual organisations and communities;
- Tribute was paid to those responders who arrived first at the scene and made difficult decisions showing outstanding bravery and courage;
- That the NHS plan was successfully implemented and the majority of casualties taken to the relevant hospital for their injuries;
- The report had asked questions of the GMFRS and the Mayor has asked the Deputy Mayor to undertake a whole-scale review into GMFRS including the way it works with other organisations, its governance, leadership and culture. It was highlighted that the views of firefighters would be at the heart of this review;

- The leadership of Sir Richard Leese and Manchester City Council was commended as was the civic response; and
- The failure of the Home Office telephony service provided by Vodafone needed investigation by the Government to ensure that this was not repeated in future. The Mayor was pleased to see that the Central Manchester MP Lucy Powell had raised this as with the relevant Minister as an urgent question in Parliament.

2. GREEN SUMMIT

The GM Green Summit had taken place on 21st March 2018. The Mayor expressed his thanks to Cllr Alex Ganotis, Portfolio Leader Green City Region and the team at the GMCA for the work put into this and the success of the event. The Plastic Free GM pledge was highlighted and 44 businesses have signed up to this; committing to eliminating the use of plastic straws by 2020. The Parklike Festival had signed up to this and Members were asked to promote this in their localities.

Cllr Ganotis highlighted the following;

- The Green Summit set a new ambition for reducing carbon levels in GM using an evidence based approach – the Tyndall Centre at the University of Manchester had recommended a date of 2040 for carbon neutrality to be Paris Compliant;
- Feedback from the public consultation and listening events was provided at the event and overall approximately 80 listening events had taken place across GM engaging around 1200 people. It had been clear from the feedback that people were supportive of the green agenda;
- 600 people had attended the Green Summit;
- Work was taking place on identifying solid commitments that the GMCA and individual councils could make to drive the agenda forward;
- An Environmental Charter was currently being drawn up which the GMCA and the ten local authorities will be asked to adopt, as well as the wider GM society;
- It is intended to hold a further Green Summit within the next year to formalise pledges and set targets; and
- A plan of action will be drawn up to show how GM will deliver the green agenda.

GMCA 54/18 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest made by any member of the GMCA in relation to items on the agenda.

GMCA 55/18 MINUTES OF THE GMCA MEETINGS HELD ON 23 FEBRUARY.

The minutes of the GMCA meetings held 23 February 2018 were submitted for consideration.

RESOLVED/-

That the minutes of the GMCA meetings held on 23 February 2018 be approved as a correct record.

GMCA 56/18 MINUTES OF THE GMCA ECONOMY, BUSINESS GROWTH AND SKILLS OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

RESOLVED /-

That the minutes of the GMCA Economy, Business Growth and Skills Overview and Scrutiny Committee held on the 9 March 2018 be noted.

GMCA 57/18 MINUTES OF THE GMCA HOUSING, PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

The minutes of the GMCA Housing, Planning and Environment Overview and Scrutiny Committee were submitted and members were asked to consider the minute relating to the Homelessness item.

RESOLVED /-

That the recommendations regarding the Homelessness received by the GMCA from the Housing, Planning and Environment Scrutiny Committee held on 13 March 2018 be noted, and referred to the Reform Board for further consideration as follows:

M45/HPE - Homelessness

1. Note that the Committee supports and welcomes work on the Social Impact Bond and work to build homelessness hubs.
2. Notes the need to continue to lobby Government about the impact of welfare reforms and the impacts on housing and homelessness.
3. To request all Greater Manchester Councils to work collaboratively on simplifying processes and systems to achieve greater consistency.
4. That the Committee recognised that the GMCA had no direct homelessness duties. Councils would acquire a new duty to prevent homelessness and GMCA would assist in the discharge of this across Greater Manchester
5. The Committee requested that there should be a universal application of the

emergency weather policies across districts.

6. That the GM Mayor to use his soft power to influence care leaving provision and that it be the same in each district.
7. That an inspection regime be established and a common set of expected standards be produced for hostel providers.

GMCA 58/18 MINUTES OF THE GMCA CORPORATE ISSUES AND REFORM OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

RESOLVED /-

That the minutes of the GMCA Corporate Issues and Reform Overview and Scrutiny Committee held on the 20 March 2018 be withdrawn as the meeting was inquorate.

GMCA 59/18 TFGMC MINUTES

The GM Mayor highlighted to the GMCA that this was the last meeting of Cllr Andrew Fender, Chair of TfGMC, who was retiring as a councillor for Old Moat ward for Manchester City Council and was not seeking re-election in May.

Cllr Fender had been involved in the political life of Greater Manchester for 41 years and his work towards laying the foundations for today's Metrolink network was highlighted. As a member of the Greater Manchester Integrated Transport Authority, Cllr Fender had played a key role in securing the Greater Manchester Transport Fund. This investment enabled Metrolink to expand further, with extensions to Ashton-under-Lyne, East Didsbury, Oldham and Rochdale town centres, Manchester Airport and, most recently, the Second City Crossing. During this time he had also overseen the delivery of many schemes beyond Metrolink, including a number of new transport interchanges across the conurbation and the North West's first guided busway.

The Mayor passed on his sincere congratulations and thanks towards Cllr Fender's contributions on behalf of the GMCA and the people of Greater Manchester and wished him well in his retirement.

RESOLVED /-

That the minutes of the Transport for Greater Manchester Committee meeting held 16 March 2018 be noted.

GMCA 60/18 GM LEP MINUTES

RESOLVED /-

That the minutes of the GM LEP meeting held 19 March 2018 be noted.

GMCA 61/18 APPOINTMENTS

RESOLVED /-

1. That the appointment of a GMCA (Labour) member, to the GMCA Standards Committee for the remainder of the 2017-18 municipal year, be agreed at the 27 April 2018 GMCA meeting,
2. That Councillor Joanne Marshall (Lab), Wigan, be appointed to the GMCA Audit Committee, replacing Councillor Pam Stewart.
3. That Councillor Joanne Marshall (Lab), Wigan, be appointed to the Corporate issues & Reform Scrutiny Committee, replacing Councillor Pam Stewart.
4. That the following appointments be noted:
 - a. Councillor Patrick Myers (Con), Trafford, replacing Councillor Alex Williams, as the substitute member on the GMCA.
 - b. Councillor Shakil Ahmed (Lab), Rochdale, replacing Councillor Shah Wazir to TfGMC.
 - c. Councillor Wendy Cocks (Lab) Rochdale, replacing Councillor Sara Rowbotham, to the GM Health Scrutiny Committee.
 - d. Councillor Allen Brett (Lab), replacing Councillor Richard Farnell and Councillor Sara Rowbotham (Lab) (substitute), replacing Councillor Jacque Beswick to the Health & Social Care Partnership Board.

GMCA 62/18 COMMISSIONING WORKING WELL – EARLY HELP

Cllr Sean Anstee presented a report which requested approval to commence the procurement process for the Working Well (Early Help) Programme. The programme will support people in work at risk of falling out of work and those who are newly unemployed due to health issues or disability. The partnership approach to development of the programme was emphasised and it was proposed that the programme will support up to 14,000 people between 2019 and 2022. The success of the GM approach and the GM Working Well (Work and Health) programme was also highlighted.

RESOLVED /-

1. That it be agreed that the GMCA proceed with the procurement of the Working Well (Early Help) programme, which consists of two procurements;

one for the service delivery contract and one for the evaluation contract, subject to Economy and Health Scrutiny comments (see section 7.1);

2. That it be agreed that authority be delegated to the GMCA Chief Executive Eamonn Boylan, and GMCA Treasurer Richard Paver, in consultation with Theresa Grant, Chief Executive Lead for Work and Skills and Chair of the GM Health and Employment Programme Board, to take the Working Well (Early Help) programme tender and the evaluation partner tender to contract award.

GMCA 63/18 REFORM INVESTMENT FUND: INVESTMENT PLANS

The GM Mayor introduced a report which provided members with an update on the Reform Investment Fund and the proposed investment plans for funding across GM. The report provided recommendations to the GMCA from the Reform Investment Fund Panel and GM Reform Board as to the investment of the Troubled Families element of the fund, alongside key investments in Work and Health and Intensive Community Orders, following discussion at the Reform Board.

RESOLVED /-

1. That the full allocation of Troubled Families investment funding for 2017/18 to be released to each locality was approved;
2. That it was agreed that future Troubled Families funding for 2018/19 and 2019/20 be conditional on a) the production of a comprehensive implementation plan by each locality by April 2018 (to include key milestones for investment and activities) and b) evidence that the locality has responded to the development areas identified as part of feedback on their plans;
3. That it was agreed that progress on implementation was monitored through the GM Place and Reform Executive and updates provided to the Reform Board as part of aggregated position reports incorporating evidence of progress on Locality Wide Implementation Plans and on-going Strategic Self-Assessment with appropriate updates to the GMCA for approval;
4. That it was agreed that September would be a suitable milestone to refresh the investment plans and agree funding requirements for 2018/19;
5. That it was approved that specific elements of the Intensive Community Orders continued to be funded from the Reform Investment Fund for a further 24 months from 1st June 2018. The total funding over this 2 year time period was £588,000 (£294,000 per annum); and
6. That a contribution of £500,000 towards the early intervention element of the GM Work and Health Programme from the Reform Investment Fund for a period of three years was approved.

GMCA 64/18 ARMED FORCES COVENANT AND THE GREATER MANCHESTER COMBINED AUTHORITY

The GM Mayor presented a report which provided Members with an update on work to support the enhanced delivery of the Armed Forces Covenant in GM since it was re-signed in June 2017 by the ten local authorities and the GMCA. It was proposed that an Armed Forces Covenant Summit be held on 8th May 2018 and that the GMCA considered the pledges that will be made to the Armed Forces Community at that event. The GMCA wants to ensure that the way in which veterans were supported was consistent with the broader GM reform work and supports what is provided by the individual districts. Pledges for consideration at the summit included; the implementation of a minimum guarantee offer for veterans across GM; the creation of a GM Armed Forces Homelessness Pathway that seeks to end veterans living on the streets by 2020 and the creation of a GM Housing Pathway for Armed Forces families. This programme will be funded by the Armed Forces Covenant Fund Large Grants Scheme award of £232k in 2017. The GMCA was working with the Ministry of Defence in developing their approach and the ambition of GM was to be an exemplar in their approach.

Members welcomed the report and supported the proposal to hold an Armed Forces Covenant Summit in May 2018.

Members suggested that a pledge to lobby the government, in support of the Royal British Legion campaign to amend the census to include whether someone had served in the armed forces, was considered at the summit. This would assist local authorities in carrying out their duties and in the identification of ex-Armed Forces personnel. It was confirmed that this would be included for consideration at the Armed Forces Summit on 8th May 2018.

RESOLVED /-

1. That the GM Armed Forces Plan was approved as a mechanism to transform Greater Manchester's offer to the Armed Forces Community;
2. That the pledges to support the Armed Forces Community as laid out in section 3.4 were accepted as the key messages for the GM Armed Forces Covenant Summit and the basis for the GM Armed Forces Plan; and
3. That it was agreed that the GM Armed Forces Covenant report discussed in the report of 30th June 2017 be replaced by a report of GM activity for 2018.

GMCA 65/18 BREXIT MONTHLY MONITOR

Sir Richard Leese presented a report which provided an update to Members on the key economic and policy developments of relevance to Greater Manchester in relation to the UK's decision to leave the European Union (EU). A draft withdrawal agreement had been announced by the Prime Minister, although the issue of the

border between Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland was still to be decided. The transition period outlined in the draft agreement was due to end in December 2020.

Members were informed that the Communities and Local Government Select Committee had visited the University of Manchester and the GM Mayor had been invited to give evidence. At this he had stressed the need for the English regions to have a clear and consistent opportunity to have meaningful involvement in the decisions being made by the UK Government and the importance of areas being able to plan and implement strategies at a local level to ameliorate the impact of Brexit.

Members supported some of the concerns expressed and the importance of GM having a strong voice within the UK regarding the Brexit Deal. The need for local strategies and an industrial plan for GM was also highlighted as being crucial. Members also highlighted the importance of the full devolution of skills policy to achieve GM's ambitions and to minimise the impact of Brexit on industries where there was skills shortage.

RESOLVED/-

1. That the contents of the Spring Statement briefing (Appendix 1) and the March Brexit Monitor (Appendix 2) were noted; and
2. That the content of the GM Brexit impacts report (Appendix 3) was noted.

GMCA 66/18 GMCA LOCAL GROWTH DEAL (1,2 & 3) – SIX MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORT

The GM Mayor presented a report which provided an update on the latest position in relation to the Local Growth Deal Transport Programme (Tranches 1, 2 and 3) following on from the last update in September 2017. It was noted that each local authority area was benefiting from these schemes.

A Member highlighted the Stockport Interchange Scheme and the fact that residential units were being built as part of this scheme, highlighting how transport funding was being used more widely to achieve GM's ambitions. The success of the recent Town Centre Challenge event in Stockport was also highlighted, and attention drawn to the benefits which partnership working can achieve. The potential of replicating this residential model elsewhere was also noted.

RESOLVED /-

1. That the current position in relation to the current Growth Deal Major Schemes programme was noted; and
2. That the current position in relation to the current Growth Deal Minor Works and Additional Priorities programmes was noted.

GMCA 67/18 TRANSPORT FOR THE NORTH

The GM Mayor presented a report which informed the GMCA of the provisions of the Sub-national Transport Body (Transport for the North) regulations 2018 establishing TfN as a statutory body; to enable the GMCA to make the necessary appointments/nominations to TfN and to authorise the GMCA to enter into agreements consequential on the transfer of the business of Rail North Ltd to TfN. The GM Mayor will represent the GMCA on the TfN Board from May, replacing Sir Richard Leese. Tributes were paid to Sir Richard Leese for playing an instrumental role in bringing forward TfN to this point.

Members' attention was drawn to the recent publication of the growth proposals report relating to the HS2 station at Manchester Piccadilly and Manchester Airport. The report outlined the huge potential for jobs and homes which this could bring. Final decisions regarding the HS2 stations at Manchester Piccadilly and Manchester Airport were expected later this year, and the crucial role which TfN would have in these decisions was highlighted. It was also highlighted that the GMCA was the only part of the country which had been asked to contribute financially to HS2, and that this would be raised at the TfN Board.

Sir Richard Leese noted the importance of reaching this stage to the development and improvement of transport in the North and noted the active involvement that Manchester City Council would continue to take regarding HS2 and Northern Powerhouse Rail. Members were also informed of the unanimous support at the Shadow Transport for the North Board for the constitutional arrangements outlined in the report. The Draft Strategic Plan published by TfN had shared GM's view regarding the preferred option for the development of HS2 at Manchester Piccadilly and the importance of this to future growth was stressed. Additionally the wider beneficiaries of development at Manchester Airport were highlighted as being other areas across the North and the importance of making this representation to the Department of Transport was emphasised.

RESOLVED/-

1. That the provisions of the Sub-national Transport Body (Transport for the North) Regulations 2018 be noted;
2. That the appointment of the GM Mayor as GMCA's member on the TfN Board be confirmed;
3. That the GMCA pay tribute to Councillor Richard Leese in bringing TfN to its current position;
4. That the appointment of a substitute member, to the TfN Board, be agreed at the 27 April 2018 GMCA meeting;

5. That the nomination of an elected member and a substitute member, as the GMCA's member, on the TfN Scrutiny Committee, be agreed and that nominations be sought from the constituent councils; and
6. That the transfer of the business of Rail North Ltd (RNL) to TfN the following authorisations and approvals be agreed:
 - (a) entry by GMCA into the Franchise Management Agreement between TfN and the constituent authorities of TfN and the consequent termination of the existing RNL Members' Agreement.
 - (b) approving RNL entering into a Business Transfer Agreement with TfN and authorising the GMCA Chief Executive or his nominee to vote on a special resolution of RNL members to the effect.
 - (c) approving RNL entering into a Novation and Amendment Agreement and withdrawing from the current Partnership Agreement with the Secretary of State (to be replaced by TfN) and authorising the Chief Executive or his nominee to vote on a special resolution of Rail North members to this effect.
 - (d) authorising the Chief Executive in consultation with the Mayor to give other authorisations and consents in connection with the transfer.

GMCA 68/18 THE GREATER MANCHESTER CONGESTION DEAL

The GM Mayor introduced a report which sought approval from the GMCA for a plan to tackle congestion in GM. The Mayor had requested that TfGM undertake a congestion consultation in Autumn 2017 and this generated lots of responses and suggestions. Manchester was also now the second most congested city outside of London. The plan outlined a range of actions for GM to implement to tackle congestion, working with the public and businesses to attract them to use more sustainable methods of transport and reduce their impact on congestion. Some of the proposals outlined were; increasing tram capacity, improving cycling and walking infrastructure, introduction of an early bird Metrolink ticket, companies who offered employees more flexible start times being offered discounted season ticket products and piloting a scheme for higher occupancy cars using bus lanes.

The GM Mayor thanked TfGM for their work on the Congestion Plan and drew Members attention to the recommendation that each Local Authority took the plan through their individual council approvals for endorsement.

RESOLVED /-

1. That the GM Congestion Deal and plan was approved;

2. That authority was delegated to the Chief Executive, TfGM, in consultation with the Mayor of GM to finalise and make any final amendments to the plan; and
3. That it was agreed that the GM Congestion Deal and Plan included a number of measures which were within the responsibility of the local planning and highways authority and that each Local Authority was recommended to take the plan through individual council approvals for endorsement.

GMCA 69/18 TRANSFORMING CITIES FUND

The GM Mayor presented a report which set out proposals for allocating the Transforming Cities Fund to provide funding for the delivery of Cycling and Walking Infrastructure and funding for additional Metrolink tram capacity. It was proposed that an initial order for 24 vehicles was placed prior to 30 June 2018 with an additional 3 trams to be ordered pending approval of the Business Case.

Members welcomed and supported the proposals set out in the report and highlighted the need for strategic approach to transport in Greater Manchester. It was also commented that in order to achieve Greater Manchester's ambitions then a multi-billion transport fund would be required. Stockport Council's ambitions regarding Metrolink expansion were also noted and members emphasised the need for the continuation of lobbying for a conurbation wide Metrolink network.

The ambition of Oldham Council to have a direct link to Piccadilly, via Metrolink, and capacity on this line was raised. It was highlighted that additional capacity on the network, not tram capacity, was needed to resolve this and that the decision around HS2 and Manchester Piccadilly station would be crucial to this. Cllr Jean Stretton had written to the Mayor and the Chief Constable regarding the recent serious incidences of Anti-Social behaviour on this line. Work was underway by the Travel Safe Partnership to tackle anti-social behaviour and reassure the public about the safety of the Metrolink network. Members were also informed that an additional 10 PCSOs had recently been added to the Metrolink network and that by summer 2018 there would be 50 PCSOs across the network and GMP noted they would discuss their deployment with the Mayor.

Members highlighted the current inequality of Metrolink pricing between boroughs in GM and commented that there was a need for a price zoning system to ensure that there was an equitable approach to pricing across the network. It was noted that TfGM were currently considering zoning proposals and the details of any such scheme.

RESOLVED /-

1. That the proposed allocation of the £243 million Transforming Cities Fund (TCF) to provide funding for the delivery of Cycling and Walking infrastructure (£160 million)

in line with the proposals in the Cycling and Walking Commissioner's 'Made to Move' report and the emerging 'Streets for All' strategy, and to provide funding for additional Metrolink tram capacity (£83 million) be approved.

2. That it be noted that the approved 2018/19 capital programme currently reflects expenditure in line with the TCF funding profile set out in Section 1 of the report. Given that there will be timing differences between capital expenditure and the TCF grant profile (that will be managed through GMCA's overall cash and treasury portfolio), the capital programme will be updated for subsequent approval by GMCA.
3. That the proposed arrangements and next steps for prioritising and governing the proposed allocation of the TCF to Cycling and Walking infrastructure be noted and endorsed.
4. That it be noted that a further report on the ongoing development of the Cycling and Walking infrastructure programme will be brought back to the Combined Authority in June 2018.
5. That the options presented and the case for additional Metrolink tram capacity be noted.
6. That the proposal to place an initial order for 24 vehicles prior to 30 June 2018, with an additional 3 trams (i.e. up to 27 trams) to be ordered pending approval of the Business Case and associated funding for the Metrolink (Airport line) T2 extension, and authorise TfGM to enter into contractual arrangements for the procurement thereof be approved.
7. That authority be delegated to the TfGM Chief Executive, the TfGM Finance and Corporate Services Director and the GMCA Treasurer to enter into contractual arrangements for the procurement of additional tram capacity, associated supporting infrastructure and associated operation and maintenance arrangements.
8. That the incremental borrowings of up to £17 million required for the procurement of up to 27 trams be approved and that authority be delegated GMCA Treasurer and the TfGM Finance and Corporate Services Director to determine the optimum funding mix of existing capital budgets and borrowings.
9. That it be noted (depending on the funding mix) forecast borrowing costs including principal repayment over the 30 year life of the trams would be up to £1 million per annum. These would be met from existing and subsequent years Metrolink operating budgets.
10. That the request for direct Metrolink services to Piccadilly from Oldham and Rochdale be accepted in principle albeit that it could not be addressed by increased tram capacity but rather by increased capacity to the network and that the remodelling of Piccadilly Rail Station was the opportunity to consider network capacity issues.
11. That the publication of the Metrolink Performance report by TfGM be noted.

12. That the response by GMP and TfGM in response to the increased anti-social and criminal behaviour on Metrolink by increasing the provision of Security Guards and Police Community Support Officers be acknowledged and that it be noted that a number of arrests had been made in response to the incident at Freehold Metrolink Station.
13. That it be noted that notice had been received from the Home Secretary that she was minded granting powers to TfGM to issue injunctions banning people who guilty of anti-social behaviour from travelling on Metrolink.
14. That it be noted that TfGM were continuing to consider proposals for a zoning system on Metrolink, notwithstanding that it was important not to create an adverse impact on communities in response to any changes in ticket pricing, with a report to be submitted to the GMCA later in the year.

GMCA 70/18 COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH TEMPORARY BUS STOP CLOSURES

Members received a report which outlined the proposal to introduce a fee for all utility companies, commercial contractors and developers when undertaking work which requires temporary bus stop closures. This proposal will bring GM in line with other areas.

RESOLVED /-

1. That the report was noted; and
2. That the proposal to introduce a fee when undertaking temporary bus stop closures, effective from 6 May 2018, was approved.

GMCA 71/18 APPOINTMENT OF TFGM NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS

Members received a report which requested the GMCA's approval for the extension of the appointments of Mr Edward Pysden and Mr Les Mosco as Non-Executive Directors of Transport for Greater Manchester (TfGM) and to approve the appointment of Mr Eamonn Boylan as a Non-Executive Director of TfGM.

RESOLVED /-

1. That the short term extension of the appointments of Mr Edward Pysden and Mr Les Mosco as Non-Executive Directors of TfGM to 31 December 2018 was approved;
2. That the appointment of Mr Eamonn Boylan to 31 December 2018 to replace Mr Richard Paver as a Non-Executive Director of TfGM was approved; and
3. That authority was delegated to the Chief Executive of TfGM to formalise the terms of Mr Pysden's and Mr Mosco's re-appointment.

GMCA 72/18 GOVERNANCE – TRANSFER & EXERCISE OF WASTE DISPOSAL FUNCTIONS AND REVIEW OF REMUNERATION OF THE INDEPENDENT MEMBERS APPOINTED TO THE AUDIT AND STANDARDS COMMITTEES AND THE INDEPENDENT PERSON FOR THE STANDARDS COMMITTEE

Liz Treacy, GMCA Monitoring Officer, presented a report which informed Members that the Greater Manchester Waste Disposal Authority (GMWDA) will be abolished on 1 April 2018 and that its functions will transfer to the GMCA. It was proposed that the exercise of its functions was delegated to the Chief Executives of the GMCA and Oldham Council (Clerk to the GMWDA), in consultation with the Chair of the Waste Advisory Group and the Portfolio Leader for Green City Region, on an interim basis pending the establishment of the governance arrangements for the new function. A paper will be submitted to the June meeting of the GMCA which will outline formal governance arrangements.

The GM Mayor extended his thanks to Cllr Nigel Murphy, Chair of the GMWDA, for his service in this role and work carried out, particularly in relation to the successful renegotiation of the PFI contract.

RESOLVED /-

1. That the delegation of the exercise of the GMCA's Waste Disposal functions to the Chief Executives of the GMCA to the Chief Executives of the GMCA and Oldham Council (Clerk to the GMWDA), in consultation with the Chair of the Waste Advisory Group and the Portfolio Leader for Green City Region on an interim basis pending the establishment of the governance arrangements for the new function be agreed;
2. That it be noted that a further report regarding the Waste governance arrangements would be submitted to the GMCA in June 2018; and
3. That the recommendations of the GMCA's Independent Remuneration Panel be accepted as follows:
 - a. an annual allowance of £1,485 be paid to the Independent Member appointed to the GMCA Audit Committee;
 - b. an inclusive annual allowance of £3,713 be paid when the Chair of the GMCA Audit Committee is an Independent Member;
 - c. the Independent Chair of the Standards Committee be paid the following allowances:
 - Annual Allowance: £1,126
 - Sitting on Standards (Hearings) Sub-Committee: £161 per meeting
 - d. the Independent Person appointed under the Localism Act 2011 be paid the following allowances:

- Annual Allowance: £901
 - If attending Standards (Hearings) Sub-Committee: £161 per meeting
- e. the allowances and remuneration paid to the Independent Members of the Audit and Standards Committees and the Standards Independent Person are indexed to the annual percentage cost of living increase that is applied each year as set by the National Joint Council for Local Government Services.
- f. the allowances for Independent Members of the Audit and Standards Committees and the Standards Independent Person are paid from the date of their appointment in June 2017 in accordance with the provisions of the 2018 Order that gives the Authority to pay such allowances including backdating.

**GMCA 73/18 GMCA TREASURY MANAGEMENT STRATEGY STATEMENT,
BORROWING LIMITS AND ANNUAL INVESTMENT STRATEGY 2018-19
– 2020-21**

Richard Paver, GMCA Treasurer, presented a report which sought approval of the revised Treasury Management Strategy Statement and arrangements in relation to GM Housing Investment Loan Fund to apply from 1st April 2018.

The strategy was based on the wider borrowing powers of the GMCA which was currently working through the parliamentary process.

RESOLVED /-

1. That the revised Treasury Management Strategy Statement and arrangements in relation to GM Housing Investment Loan Fund to apply from the 1st April 2018 be approved, in particular:
 - The Treasury Indicators
 - The Minimum Revenue Provision Strategy
 - The Treasury Management Policy Statement
 - The Treasury Management Scheme of Delegation
 - The Borrowing Requirements
 - The Borrowing Strategy
 - The 2018/19 cash flow position
 - The Annual Investment Strategy
 - The proposed arrangement around novation of existing GMHILF loans and future GMHILF lending, and the holding and investment of City deal receipts.
 - The acceptance of the novated GMHILF loans and, where loans do not novate, that Manchester City Council, if required, are advanced monies to meet the loan requirements at no interest charge.

- To delegate the finalisation of those arrangements and the necessary legal requirements, including the agreement of an appropriate indemnity to Manchester City Council, to the GMCA Treasurer acting in conjunction with the GMCA Monitoring Officer.
 - To approve the transfer of City Deal receipt monies to GMCA alongside the novation of the appropriate loans.
 - To note the Police & Crime Commissioner capital programme and approve the borrowing requirement included in the overall Treasury programme.
2. That the Audit Committee be requested to note the revised strategy approved by GMCA which forms the basis of monitoring the strategy during the year.

GMCA 74/18 GREATER MANCHESTER INVESTMENT FRAMEWORK PROJECT UPDATES

The GM Mayor presented a report which sought approval for a loan to Assetz SME Capital Limited. The loan will be made from recycled funds. The loan was expected to create 75 jobs over the next 3 years; 50 of which would be in GM.

RESOLVED /-

1. That it be agreed that the funding application by Assetz SME Capital Limited (loan of £1,500k) was given conditional approval and progressed to due diligence; and
2. That authority was delegated to the GMCA Treasurer and GMCA Monitoring Officer to review the due diligence information and, subject to their satisfactory review and agreement of the due diligence information and the overall detailed commercial terms of the transaction, to sign off any outstanding conditions, issue final approvals and complete any necessary related documentation in the respect of the loan at a) above.

GMCA 75/18 GM HOUSING INVESTMENT LOANS FUND – INVESTMENT APPROVAL RECOMMENDATION

City Mayor Paul Dennett presented a report which sought GMCA approval of the GM Housing Investment Loans Fund loans for £0.6m for Hilda Street, Leigh and £8.153m for Lime Grove, Cheadle. The total value of offers of loans from the Fund approved by the Combined Authority to date was £398.4 and with approval of the recommendations set out in this report this would increase to £407.1m.

The recent approval by Government of the GM Housing Deal was also highlighted to Members. This will bring £50m of funding for a land fund, £8m of revenue to support a strategic approach to house building and infrastructure and £243m forward funding. The GM Mayor highlighted the importance of the receipt of the GM Housing

Deal Land Fund in opening up brownfield land to development and the aims of the Town Centre Challenge. The GM Mayor extended his thanks to the City Mayor and the GMCA Chief Executive for the successful negotiation of this fund with Government.

RESOLVED /-

1. That the GM Housing Loans Fund loans in the table below, as detailed further in this and the accompanying Part B report be approved:

BORROWER	SCHEME	DISTRICT	LOAN
Harwill Homes Ltd	Hilda Street, Leigh	Wigan	£0.600m
Gladman Retirement Living (Cheadle) Ltd	Lime Grove, Cheadle	Stockport	£8.153m

2. That Manchester City Council be recommended to approve the above and prepares and effects the necessary legal agreements in accordance with its approved internal processes

GMCA 76/18 GREATER MANCHESTER CONTINUITY OF SERVICE PROTOCOL

Cllr Jean Stretton provided a report which outlined proposal and implementation plans in relation to the GM wide Continuity of Service Protocol for recognition of service where an individual voluntarily changes employer between Local Authorities and NHS employers within GM. The development of the protocol had arisen from the increasing integration of health and social care services across GM. The proposal intended to include all staff outlined in appendix A and employed by GM CCG organisations, GM NHS bodies, GM Councils (initially excluding staff employed by schools), the GMCA and its constituent bodies, Greater Manchester Health and Social Care Partnership and Transport for Greater Manchester (TfGM). The protocol represented a first step towards implementing greater flexibility and the opening up of opportunities for employees of a wide number of Greater Manchester public sector organisations.

Members supported the protocol and noted that it supported the GM Public Sector Reform (PSR) agenda and highlighted that it was important this was adopted across all organisations. Members also stressed the importance of the protocol meeting local circumstances and objectives, and ensuring that the way in which it was implemented was right for each district.

Members asked which organisations had adopted the protocol. It was confirmed that not all organisations had adopted the protocol and that it was intended to take

monitoring of this back to the Workforce Engagement Board and a set of FAQs would be produced to support implementation. Oldham and Rochdale Councils had approved this and other organisations were considering this currently. The protocol would be reviewed after 12 months and on a tri-annual basis.

RESOLVED /-

1. That the adoption and implementation of the Continuity of Service Protocol except in relation to redundancy and pensions and recommend adoption to all parties outlined within the Protocol with effect from 1 April 2018 be approved; and
2. That it was noted that the Protocol will be subject to a review after 12 months and regularly re-asked on a tri-annual basis and/or before any major staffing review to ensure that it operates within best value and fiduciary duty principles.

EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

Members noted that the commercially sensitive information contained in Item 21 Greater Manchester Investment Framework Project Updates and Item 22 Greater Manchester Housing Investment Loans Fund – Investment Approval Recommendation was taken as read during consideration of the Part A - Greater Manchester Investment Framework Projects Update (minute ref 74/18 refers) and Greater Manchester Housing Investment Loans Fund – Investment Approval Recommendation (minute ref 75/18) and for this reason the exclusion resolution was not moved.

**GMCA 77/18 GREATER MANCHESTER INVESTMENT FRAMEWORK AND
CONDITIONAL PROJECT APPROVALS**

CLERK'S NOTE: This item was considered in support of the Part A Greater Manchester Investment Framework Project Updates (minute 74/18 refers).

**GMCA 78/18 GM HOUSING INVESTMENT LOANS FUND – INVESTMENT APPROVAL
RECOMMENDATION**

CLERK'S NOTE: This item was considered in support of the Part A GM Housing Investment Loan Fund – Investment Approval Recommendation (minute 75/18 refers).

