

# Item 4b

## MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE MEETING OF THE TRANSPORT FOR GREATER MANCHESTER COMMITTEE (TfGMC), HELD ON FRIDAY 15 JUNE 2018 AT THE FRIENDS MEETING HOUSE, MANCHESTER

### PRESENT:

|                              |               |
|------------------------------|---------------|
| Councillor David Chadwick    | Bolton        |
| Councillor Guy Harkin        | Bolton        |
| Councillor Stuart Haslam     | Bolton        |
| Councillor Noel Bayley       | Bury          |
| Councillor Naeem Hassan      | Manchester    |
| Councillor Eddy Newman       | Manchester    |
| Councillor John Leech        | Manchester    |
| Councillor Angeliki Stogia   | Manchester    |
| Councillor Adrian Alexander  | Oldham        |
| Councillor Valerie Leach     | Oldham        |
| Councillor Howard Sykes      | Oldham        |
| Councillor Phil Burke        | Rochdale      |
| Councillor Neil Emmott       | Rochdale      |
| Councillor Patricia Sullivan | Rochdale      |
| Councillor Robin Garrido     | Salford       |
| Councillor Roger Jones       | Salford       |
| Councillor Barry Warner      | Salford       |
| Councillor Kate Butler       | Stockport     |
| Councillor Annette Finnie    | Stockport     |
| Councillor Steve Gribbon     | Stockport     |
| Councillor John Taylor       | Stockport     |
| Councillor Warren Bray       | Tameside      |
| Councillor Doreen Dickenson  | Tameside      |
| Councillor Peter Robinson    | Tameside      |
| Councillor Steve Adshead     | Trafford      |
| Councillor Mike Cordingley   | Trafford      |
| Councillor Mark Aldred       | Wigan (Chair) |
| Councillor Lynne Holland     | Wigan         |
| Councillor Eunice Smethurst  | Wigan         |

## **OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE**

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| Jon Lamonte     | Chief Executive, TfGMC                             |
| Bob Morris      | Chief Operating Officer, TfGMC                     |
| Gareth Turner   | TfGMC  |
| Simon Warburton | Director of Finance & Corporate Services,<br>TfGMC |
| Stephen Rhodes  | TfGMC  |

## **SECTION 1            STANDING ITEMS**

### **TfGMC18/76            APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received and noted from Councillor Rishi Shori (Bury), Councillor David Hopps (Trafford), Eunice Smethurst (Wigan) and Councillor Dzidra Noor (Manchester)

### **TfGMC18/77            CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS AND URGENT BUSINESS**

Greater Manchester Accessible Transport Trust

The Chair reported that following the retirement of Councillor Andrew Fender the Committee would need to find a replacement for Councillor Fender on the GM Accessible Transport Trust. Currently Councillor Dickenson, Councillor Jones and Councillor Holland served on the Trust.

#### **RESOLVED/-**

That Councillor John Leech (Manchester) be appointed to the GM Accessible Transport Trust.

### **TfGMC18/78            DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillor Phil Burke declared a pecuniary interest in item 18 'Introduction to Zonal Fare Structure on the Metrolink Network' by virtue of being an employee of KAM (CSR).

### **TfGMC18/79            MINUTES**

The Minutes of the meeting held on 16 March 2018 were submitted for consideration.

#### **RESOLVED/-**

That the Minutes of the previous meeting held on 16 March 2018 be approved as a correct record.

### **TfGMC18/80            MINUTES FROM SUB COMMITTEES**

#### **A. Bus Network and TfGM Services Sub Committee**

The Minutes of the Bus Network and TfGM Services Sub Committee held on 27 April 2018 were submitted.

## **RESOLVED/-**

That the Minutes of the Bus Network and TfGM Services Sub Committee held on 27 April 2018 be noted.

### **B. Capital Projects and Policy Sub Committee**

The Minutes of the Capital Projects and Policy Sub Committee held on 13 April 2018 were submitted.

## **RESOLVED/-**

That the Minutes of the Capital Projects and Policy Sub Committee held on 13 April 2018 be noted.

### **C. Metrolink and Rail Sub Committee**

The Minutes of the Metrolink and Rail Sub Committee held on 6 April 2018 were submitted.

A Member asked if Northern attended Sub Committee meetings so members could question them and bring them to account over the failure of the new timetable and the significant implications this has had on rail users. It was reported that Northern regularly attended Sub Committee or full TfGMC meetings. The Member asked if Northern Rail could be invited to the next Sub Committee meeting and this was agreed by Members.

The Committee was reminded that the services provided to Greater Manchester by Northern in advance of the planned timetable changes were already causing concern regarding reliability etc. Northern had had two years to prepare for the timetable change and should have envisaged where there would be issues to resolve. This issue now had national attention and all ten leaders had written to the Secretary of State for Transport with GM's concerns. Members were also reminded that Arriva had taken on the franchise with promises of new rolling stock and that their performance to date has been wholly unacceptable. The issue of franchising would once more be coming up and GM would make it clear to government that private operators were not delivering and this issue needed to be looked at.

A Member highlighted the ongoing anti-social problems being experienced on the Rochdale/Oldham Metrolink line. Members were informed that a request had been made for more warranted Police officers to be located on the system to combat the increasing severity of anti-social behaviour. The Chair asked that this matter be taken back to the Sub Committee for further detailed consideration.

## **RESOLVED/-**

1. That the Minutes of the Metrolink and Rail Sub Committee held on 6 April 2018 be noted.
2. That representatives of Northern Rail be invited to the next Sub Committee meeting.
3. That further consideration be given by the Sub Committee to the difficulties with increasing levels of anti-social behaviour on the Rochdale/Oldham Metrolink line.

## **TfGMC18/81 REGISTER OF KEY DECISIONS 1 JUNE – 30 JUNE 2018**

Members considered the Register of Key Decisions which sets out details of key transport decisions that the Committee and its Sub Committees would make over the upcoming month. Key transport decisions that would be considered by the GMCA were also included for information.

### **RESOLVED/-**

That the Register of Key Decisions be noted.

## **SECTION 2 ITEMS FOR RESOLUTION**

### **TfGMC18/82 POLICY AND POLITICAL ENGAGEMENT 2018/19**

Consideration was given to a report that provided an update on policy development and a summary of political engagement activity during the municipal year 2017/18 and the activity planned for 2018/19, based around the key Mayoral and 2040 Transport Strategy priorities.

An amendment to the paper was moved and seconded to amend the last sentence of paragraph 2.3 of the paper by adding:

*‘To enable economic success to spread to all areas, transport needs to be accessible, affordable and reliable for all residents’.*

A Member asked if this amendment could also take into account the need for services to be frequent and comfortable. If GM is get people out of their cars then a level of comfort on public transport was needed.

Members also raised concerns regarding the quality of some vehicles being used by operators and need to encourage all operators to operate with vehicles with clean engine technology.

The Committee were informed that the 2040 Strategy had been published but that the points raised today could be taken account of through the planned progress report on the strategy, which would be published widely.

The Committee also discussed how the work of the Committee and the Mayor link together and it was confirmed that this relationship was joined up.

### **RESOLVED/-**

1. That the report be noted subject to paragraph 2.3 being amended by the addition of the following words to the last sentence:

*‘To enable economic success to spread to all areas, transport needs to be accessible, affordable and reliable for all residents’.*

2. That the progress made on the transport policy priorities be endorsed.
3. That approval be given to the budget for the year of 2018/19 of £41,700.

### **SECTION 3            ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**

#### **TfGMC18/83            METROLINK ZONAL FARES**

A report was submitted and a presentation given on the proposal by TfGM to introduce a zonal fare structure on the Metrolink network in early 2019. The report set out the policy drivers and customer benefits of the proposed change. Members were requested to approve the proposal, subject to a public engagement exercise in late May/early June, and a subsequent report to the GMCA in July.

The Committee in welcoming the report highlighted a number of anomalies in terms of the banding proposed and the effect on some local Metrolink journeys. Comments were made that the public engagement exercise on the proposals had been poor with many passengers unaware of what was taking place. A report on the proposals and results from the public consultation were requested for the next meeting. The report should include examples of impact on local Metrolink routes and highlight what the proposals intend to achieve. TfGM responded that over 4,000 consultation responses had been received and it had been shared via various social media platforms. TfGM were clear that the new zonal system should meet the needs of Greater Manchester.

#### **RESOLVED/-**

1. That the contents of the report and associated appendices submitted to the GMCA on 25 May 2018 be noted.
2. That it be noted that the ongoing public engagement exercise available via [tfgm.com/zonal](http://tfgm.com/zonal) would conclude at midnight on 17 June 2018.
3. That a detailed presentation on the proposals and the public consultation responses be submitted to the next Committee meeting.

#### **TfGMC18/84            EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC**

That in accordance with Section 100(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public and press be excluded from the meeting at this juncture for the following business on the grounds that it involves the disclosure of exempt information as defined in the respectively indicated paragraph(s) of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act.

It would not be, on balance, in the public interest to disclose this information to the public and press for the reasons indicated within the reports.

### **SECTION 5            ITEMS FOR RESOLUTION BY TfGM**

**TfGMC18/85            PROPERTY TRANSACTIONS**

Consideration was given to a report that sought approval to the proposed property transactions as detailed in the report.

**RESOLVED/-**

That approval be given to the property transactions as detailed in the report.