

GREATER MANCHESTER AUDIT COMMITTEE

ANNUAL MEETING

DATE: Thursday, 8th July, 2021

TIME: 10.15 am

VENUE: Manchester City Council, Council Chamber, Level 3,
Town Hall Extension, M60 2LA

AGENDA

1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

2. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR

To appoint a Chair and Vice- Chair for the Municipal Year 2021/22.

3. COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP FOR 2021/22

To note the membership of the Committee for the Municipal Year 2021/22:

Councillor Mary Whitby	Bury Council
Councillor Colin McLaren	Oldham Council
Councillor Chris Boyes	Trafford Council
Councillor Sarah Russell	Manchester City Council
Councillor David Molyneux	Wigan Council
*Councillor Joanne Marshall	Wigan Council
*Councillor Sameena Zaheer	Rochdale Council
Gwyn Griffiths	Independent Member
Grenville Page	Independent Member
Catherine Scivier	Independent Member
Susan Webster	Independent Member

*Substitute Members:

BOLTON	MANCHESTER	ROCHDALE	STOCKPORT	TRAFFORD
BURY	OLDHAM	SALFORD	TAMESIDE	WIGAN

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	To note the Terms of Reference of the GM Audit Committee 2021/22	
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	Report of GMCA Treasurer.	
13.	EXTERNAL AUDITORS ENQUIRY LETTERS - DRAFT RESPONSE (TO FOLLOW)	
	Report of GMCA Treasurer and Chair of the GM Audit Committee	
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	Report of the GMCA Treasurer	

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21.	EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC	
	That, under section 100 (A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 the press and public should be excluded from the meeting for the following items on business on the grounds that this involved the likely disclosure of exempt information, as set out in the relevant paragraphs of Part 1, Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 and that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighed the public interest in disclosing the information.	
22.	ANNUAL WHISTLEBLOWING REPORT	195 - 202
	Report of GMCA Treasurer and Head of Audit and Assurance, GMCA	
23.	DATE OF NEXT MEETING	
	Thursday 30 September 2021 – 10.00 a.m. – Venue TBC	

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