

**NOTICE OF DECISIONS AGREED AT THE GREATER MANCHESTER TRANSPORT
COMMITTEE, METROLINK AND RAIL SUB-COMMITTEE
HELD ON FRIDAY, 13TH JANUARY, 2023**

PRESENT:

Councillor Damian Bailey	Salford
Councillor Noel Bayley	Bury MBC
Councillor Angie Clark	Stockport MBC
Councillor Doreen Dickinson	Tameside MBC
Councillor Stuart Haslam	Bolton Council
Councillor Dzidra Noor	Manchester City Council
Councillor Damian Bailey	Salford
Councillor Eamonn O'Brien	Bury Council
Councillor Noel Bayley	Bury MBC

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Mark Angelucci	Rail Performance Officer, TfGM
Liz Boyle	TfGM (Observing)
Helen Davies	Senior Governance and Scrutiny Officer, GMCA
Simon Elliott	Head of Rail Programme, TfGM
Victoria Mercer	TfGM
Daniel Vaughn	TfGM

OPERATORS IN ATTENDANCE:

Chris Jackson	Northern Trains
Graham Meiklejohn	TransPennine Express
Kara Wood	Network Rail
Damien Chabas	KeolisAmey Metrolink
Nick Smith	Avanti West Coast

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from, Councillors: John Vickers (Wigan), Mohammed Ayub

(Bolton), Aasim Rashid (Rochdale), Kevin Peel (Bury) and Councillor Noel Bayley was substituting.

2. CHAIRS ANNOUNCEMENTS AND URGENT BUSINESS

That it be noted:

- 1) That Councillor Eamonn O'Brien had now joined the Committee as he had been appointed as the Combined Authority representative and replaced Councillor Andrew Western on this Committee; and
- 2) That the rail report and update would be the first item of business to accommodate a diary request.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations received in relation to any item on the agenda.

4. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

RESOLVED/-

That the minutes of the meeting held on 11 November 2022 be approved as a correct and accurate record.

5. EVALUATION OF THE CARRIAGE OF DOGS ON METROLINK PILOT

RESOLVED/-

- 1) That the findings of the pilot of the carriage of non-assistance dogs on Metrolink be received and noted; and
- 2) That the proposal to continue to allow non-assistance dogs on the Metrolink Network, subject to the conditions of carriage be agreed.
- 3) That it be noted that TfGM would bring an item back to the Committee on the subject of bicycles on the Metrolink revisiting a consultant report from when the network was purchased.

6. METROLINK SERVICE PERFORMANCE REPORT

RESOLVED/-

That the Metrolink Service Performance Report be received and noted.

7. METROLINK OPERATOR UPDATE

RESOLVED/-

That the Metrolink Operator update be received and noted.

8. LOCAL RAIL SERVICES PERFORMANCE REPORT

RESOLVED/-

- 1) That the Local Rail Services Performance Report be received and noted.
- 2) That a report outlining the reasons for poor performance would be brought to the next committee meeting.
- 3) That it be noted that Northern and Avanti West Coast Trains agreed to respond to the questions in relation to refunded tickets, level of traffic on platforms, cancellation of trains and fair prices directly with Members.
- 4) That a report on the Value of the Railway (currently being undertaken by Transport for the North (TfN) was scheduled to the Rail North Committee on 22 February and this would be shared with this Committee at the next meeting.
- 5) That it be noted that Northern Trains agreed to directly feedback to Members on specific questions: the outcomes of the Rest Day Working to Councillor Angie Clark; and to re-circulate the information on refunds to tickets to Councillor Damian Bailey.

9. RAIL OPERATOR UPDATE

RESOLVED/-

- 1) That the Rail Operator update be received and noted.
- 2) That all Operators be requested to bring back an item to the next Committee meeting on staff morale and what measures through an employers duty-of-care were being taken to support staff and the changes to processes and rosters during a difficult period of productivity.

- 3) That it be noted that Avanti West Coast agreed to feedback directly to Councillor Damian Bailey on the subject of data to map journeys between Manchester and London specifically how many were for leisure vs. business.
- 4) That it be noted that Network Rail agreed to feedback directly to Councillor Noel Bayley on the subject of seating and planters on Platform 13 and 14 at Manchester Piccadilly Station.

10 WORK PROGRAMME

RESOLVED/-

That the Work Programme be received and noted.

11 DATES AND TIMES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

RESOLVED/-

That the dates and times of future meetings be received and noted.

A link to the full agenda and papers can be found here:

https://www.gmcameetings.co.uk/meetings/meeting/724/greater_manchester_combined_authority

This decision notice was issued **Thursday 19 January 2023** on behalf of Julie Connor, Secretary to the Greater Manchester Combined Authority, Broadhurst House, 56 Oxford Street, Manchester M1 6EU. The deadline for call in of the attached decisions is 4.00pm on Wednesday 25 January 2023.

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Members must give notice in writing to the Chief Executive that they wish to call-in a decision, stating their reason(s) why the decision should be scrutinised. The period between the publication of this decision notice and the time a decision may be implemented is the 'call-in' period.

Decisions which have already been considered by an Overview and Scrutiny Committee, and where the GMCA's decision agrees with the views of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee may not be called in.