

**NOTICE OF DECISIONS AGREED AT THE GREATER MANCHESTER TRANSPORT BUS  
SERVICES SUB-COMMITTEE HELD ON FRIDAY 7 OCTOBER, 2022  
AT FRIENDS MEETING HOUSE**

**PRESENT:**

Councillor Jo Lancaster	Bury Council
Councillor Tracey Rawlins	Manchester City Council
Councillor George Hulme	Oldham MBC
Councillor Phil Burke	Rochdale Council
Councillor Roger Jones	Salford Council
Councillor Angie Clark	Stockport Council
Councillor David Meller	Stockport Council
Councillor Warren Bray	Tameside Council
Councillor Mark Aldred (Chair)	Wigan Council
Councillor John Vickers	Wigan Council

**OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE:**

Nicola Ward	Governance & Scrutiny, GMCA Customer Director and Interim Head of Bus Services, TfGM
Stephen Rhodes	Head of Services & Commercial Development, TfGM
Nick Roberts	Network Development Manager, TfGM
James Lewis	

**OPERATORS IN ATTENDANCE:**

Mark Mageean	Stagecoach
Matt Rawlinson	Rotala/Diamond
Paul Townley	First
Ian Humphreys	First
Paul Turner	Trans Dev
John Roxwell	Go North West
Alastair Nuttall	Arriva

## 1. APOLOGIES

That apologies be received and noted from Councillors Howard Sykes and Linda Blackburn.

Apologies were also received from Gary Nolan (One Bus).

## 2. CHAIRS ANNOUNCEMENTS AND URGENT BUSINESS

The Chair welcomed the attendance of bus operators present at the meeting.

## 3. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR

That the appointment of Cllr Mark Aldred as Chair and Cllr Warren Bray as Vice Chair for the Bus Services Sub Committee be noted.

## 4. MEMBERSHIP

That the membership of the Bus Services Sub Committee for the forthcoming municipal year be noted as below –

<b>Member</b>	<b>Representing</b>
Councillor Tracey Rawlins	Manchester City Council
Councillor George Hulme	Oldham Council
Councillor Phil Burke	Rochdale Council
Councillor Roger Jones	Salford Council
Councillor David Meller	Stockport MBC
Councillor Warren Bray	Tameside MBC
Councillor Mark Aldred	Wigan Council
Councillor John Vickers	Wigan Council
Councillor Jo Lancaster	Bury Council
Councillor Linda Blackburn	Trafford Council
Councillor Howard Sykes	Oldham Council

## 5. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

## **6. MINUTES OF THE GM TRANSPORT BUS SERVICES SUB COMMITTEE MEETING HELD 18 MARCH 2022**

That the minutes of the GM Transport Bus Services Sub Committee meeting held 18 March 2022 be approved as a correct record.

## **7. BUS PERFORMANCE REPORT**

1. That the performance of the GM Bus Network be noted.
2. That a meeting would be arranged between Cllr John Vickers, TfGM and First to address the concerns raised regarding the V1 and V2 Vantage Bus Services, specifically services capacity, waiting times and ticketing costs.
3. That officers would pick up with Cllr Phil Burke directly concerns regarding the performance of Rosso services in Rochdale.
4. That the Committee would receive an update on the work of the Travel Safe Partnership at the next meeting of the full Committee on the 14 October.

## **8. CHANGES TO THE BUS NETWORK AND REVIEW OF SUBSIDISED BUS SERVICES BUDGET**

1. That the changes to the commercial network set out in Annex A be noted by Members.
2. That the proposals that no action is taken in respect of changes or de-registered commercial services set out in Annex A be agreed by Members.
3. That the action taken in respect of the service change set out in Annex B be noted by Members.
4. That the typo in relation to service 464 be amended from 'reduced' to 'introduced'.

5. That thanks be expressed to officers at TfGM for the work to address the significant number of potential service changes and withdrawals.
6. That the proposed changes to general subsidised services set out in Annex C be agreed by Members.
7. That it be noted that First would provide patronage figures to Cllr George Hulme to illustrate the trend of decline.
8. That officers would meet with Cllr John Vickers to discuss the withdrawal of service 595 and consider other options that could include a route change for service 583.
9. That Cllr David Meller would submit a suggested route amendment for service 371 to officers at TfGM to consider.

## **9. BUS OPERATOR UPDATE**

That the verbal updates provided by operators be noted.

## **10. GMTC WORK PROGRAMME**

1. That the proposed work programme for the GM Transport Committee and its Sub Committees be noted.
2. That a future report on concessionary travel with a focus on the current concession pass criteria, the processes by which residents can obtain the required passes and the processes by which passes can be renewed be programmed for consideration by the full committee.
3. That operators be asked to provide an update on the compliance of their fleet with regards to Euro 6 standards at the next meeting of the Bus Services Sub Committee.

## **10. DATES AND TIMES OF FUTURE MEETINGS**

That future dates for the Bus Services Sub Committee be noted as below –

Friday 18 November 2022

Friday 20 January 2023

Friday 10 March 2023

## **11. EXCLUSION OF THE 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.

## **12. CHANGES TO THE BUS NETWORK AND REVIEW OF SUBSIDISED BUS SERVICES BUDGET – PART B**

That the financial implications of forthcoming changes to the bus network be noted.

A link to the full agenda and papers can be found here: [Democracy-Template - Greater Manchester Combined Authority \(greatermanchester-ca.gov.uk\)](https://democracy.greatermanchester-ca.gov.uk)

This decision notice was issued **Tuesday 11 October 2022** on behalf of Julie Connor, Secretary to the Greater Manchester Combined Authority, Churchgate House, 56 Oxford Street, Manchester M1 6EU. The deadline for call in of the attached decisions is **4.00pm on 18 October 2022**.

### **Call-In Process**

In accordance with the scrutiny procedure rules, these decisions would come into effect five days after the publication of this notice unless before that time any three members of the relevant Overview and Scrutiny Committee decides to call-in a decision.

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.

in.