

**NOTICE OF DECISIONS AGREED AT THE GREATER MANCHESTER TRANSPORT
BUS SERVICES SUB COMMITTEE
HELD ON FRIDAY, 20TH JANUARY, 2023**

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

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Nicola Ward	Governance & Scrutiny Team
Elaine Mottershead	Governance & Scrutiny Team
Stephen Rhodes	Director of Bus, Transport for Greater Manchester (TfGM)
Nick Roberts	Head of Services & Commercial Development, TfGM
Jenny Coates	Bus Planning Manager (Funding & Development), TfGM

OPERATORS IN ATTENDANCE:

Tom Calderbank	Diamond
Paul Townley	First Bus
John Roxburgh	Go North West
Alan French	Stagecoach
Richard Greaves	Stagecoach
Adam Clarke	Stagecoach
Paul Turner	Trans Dev

1. APOLOGIES

That apologies be received and noted from Councillor Howard Sykes (Oldham), Bob Morris from Transport for Greater Manchester (TfGM) and Alistair Nuttall (Arriva).

2. CHAIRS ANNOUNCEMENTS AND URGENT BUSINESS

There were no Chair's announcements or items of urgent business.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

4. MINUTES OF THE BUS SERVICES SUB COMMITTEE MEETING HELD 18 NOVEMBER 2022

That the minutes of the meeting held on 18 November 2022 be approved.

5. CHANGES TO THE BUS NETWORK AND REVIEW OF SUBSIDISED BUS SERVICES BUDGET

1. That the changes on the commercial network set out in Annex A be noted.
2. That the impact of the changes set out in Annex A be the subject of a further report to the next meeting of this Committee.
3. That TfGM be asked to consider how they may be able to mitigate any risk to the de-registration of current services through future bus franchise procurement tranches.
4. That the proposed changes to general subsidised services set out in Annex C be agreed.
5. That TfGM would provide details of the revisions to services 586 and 132 directly to Councillor Vickers.
6. That TfGM would pick up the concerns of Cllr Blackburn in relation to service 755 not including Altrincham Girls Grammar School outside of the meeting.

6. BUS OPERATORS UPDATE

1. That bus operators be thanked for their verbal updates, and their contents noted.
2. That bus operators and Members continue to contact TravelSafe to report any anti-social behaviour or safety concerns as they arise.
3. That TfGM would report recent damage to First Bus vehicles directly to TravelSafe and ensure that Councillor Aldred is included in any correspondence.
4. That a report on the Greater Manchester Road Activity Permit Scheme (GMRAPS) be brought to the next meeting of the Greater Manchester Transport Committee.
5. That it be noted that Gary Nolan from One Bus would write separately to Councillor Tracey Rawlins (Executive Member for the Environment at Manchester City Council) regarding the City Plan for central Manchester and its impact on bus operations.
6. That operators be invited to contact Councillor Lancaster directly should they wish to be involved in the forthcoming Jobs Fair in Bury.
7. That it be noted that Stagecoach would write to Councillor Tracey Rawlins regarding the potential requirements for a permanent diversion away from Rusholme on Friday and Saturday evenings due to congestion levels.

7. LOCAL LINK AND ACCESSIBLE TRANSPORT REVIEW

1. That thanks be expressed to officers at Transport for Greater Manchester (TfGM) for a comprehensive report.
2. That members be encouraged to contact TfGM with specific issues relating to their communities and the Local Link service.
3. That TfGM would speak directly to Councillor Rawlins regarding further promotional materials for Local Link within the Wythenshawe area.

8. WORK PROGRAMME

That the proposed Work Programme for the GM Transport Committee and its Sub Committees be noted.

9. DATES AND TIMES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

That the future date for the Bus Services Sub Committee be noted as 10 March 2023.

10 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.

11 BUS NETWORK AND SUBSIDISED SERVICE CONSIDERATIONS

That the Committee expressed significant concerns regarding the wider implications of the proposed de-registration of commercial services as highlighted in Annex A of the Changes to the Bus Network and Review of Subsidised Bus Services Budget (item 5) and would prepare a statement outlining these matters for consideration by the Greater Manchester Transport Committee on 17 February.

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

[Agenda for Greater Manchester Transport Committee on Friday, 20th January, 2023, 10.30 am - Greater Manchester Combined Authority \(greatermanchester-ca.gov.uk\)](#)

This decision notice was issued **Tuesday 24 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 Monday 30 January 2023.

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.