# NOTICE OF DECISIONS AGREED AT THE BEE NETWORK COMMITTEE HELD ON THURSDAY, 26TH OCTOBER, 2023

## PRESENT:

Councillor Eamonn O'Brien (Chair)

GM Mayor Andy Burnham

Councillor Howard Sykes

Councillor David Meller

Councillor Hamid Khurram

Bury

GMCA

Oldham

Stockport

Councillor Tracey Rawlins Manchester

Councillor Alan Quinn

City Mayor Paul Dennett

Councillor Grace Baynham

Councillor Warren Bray

Councillor Aidan Williams

Councillor John Walsh

Councillor Noel Bayley

Bury

## **OTHER MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:**

Councillor Noel Bayley Bury
Councillor Mike McCusker Salford

## **OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE:**

Eamonn Boylan **GMCA** Gwynne Williams **GMCA** Lucy Prince **GMCA** Ninoshka Martins **GMCA** Alison Chew TfGM **Chris Barnes** TfGM Eamonn Boylan **GMCA GMCA** Gwynne Williams Ninoshka Martins **GMCA** Alex Cropper **TfGM** 

## **OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE:**

Rosalind O'Driscoll TfGM
Lucy Prince TfGM
James Baldwin TfGM
Stephen Rhodes TfGM
Martin Lax TfGM
Steve Warrener TfGM

## 1. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Paul Prescott (Wigan), Dan Costello (Tameside), Phil Burke (Rochdale) and James Gartside (Rochdale).

## 2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None received.

## 3. CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS AND URGENT BUSINESS

- That the Bee Network Committee supports a public inquiry into the handling of HS2, and subsequent decision to cancel the route between Birmingham and Manchester, with the view to understanding what lessons can be learnt about future infrastructure projects of this size and significance.
- That the Committee supports calls for the protection of land along routes 2 A & 2
   B including the immediate stoppage of any sales in progress until a complete
   review takes places.

### 4. THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 28 SEPTEMBER 2023

### **RESOLVED/-**

That the minutes of the Bee Network Committee held on 28 September 2023 be approved as a correct record.

### 5. LOCAL TRANSPORT PLAN PROCESS

- 1. That the preparation of a new Local Transport Plan (LTP) and the delays to government guidance be noted.
- 2. That the proposed timetable for the LTP refresh, recognising that timescales may change when government guidance is released be endorsed.
- 3. That GM's freight and logistics strategic ambitions would be incorporated into the refresh of the LTP, rather than have a standalone sub-strategy be noted.
- 4. That the need for TfGM and Local Authority collaboration and staff time required to prepare, engage and consult on the LTP refresh be noted.
- 5. That the importance of the LTP to deliver the wider objectives of the GM Strategy and the intention to undertake an Equalities Impact Assessment (EIA) as part of a wider Integrated Assessment that will also include Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA), Health Impact Assessment (HIA) and Habitat Regulation Assessment (HRA) be noted.

#### 6. MAYORAL UPDATE - TRANCHE 1 PERFORMANCE UPDATE

## **RESOLVED/-**

- 1. That the update in relation to the performance of Tranche 1 services be noted.
- 2. That it be noted that further improvements to the Bee Network application including the added functionality of journey planning, apple and google pay functionality and the addition of a Metrolink Zonal Map had been planned and would be included within future updates of the Bee Network application.
- That it be noted that starting in December, regular quarterly performance updates on the Bee Network would be received by the Bee Network Committee.

## 7. ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING TARIFF

- That the recommendations to be considered by the GMCA at their meeting on 27 October 2024 be noted, as comprising of as below:
  - a) Approve that a floor and a ceiling price cap of 30% above and below the current EV tariff (set out in paragraph 1.10 of the report) is introduced; and
  - b) Delegate to the Chief Executive of the GMCA and TfGM approval of tariff changes within those limits.
- 2. That a price comparison of the EV charging network be circulated to members following the meeting with the view to understanding the rates offered by each provider.

#### 8. TRANSPORT CAPITAL PROGRAMME

- 1. That the current position and recent progress on the transport capital programme be noted.
- 2. That the recent announcement from Government on CRSTS2 be noted.
- 3. That the amendments to the CRSTS assurance process as set out in paragraph 3 of this report be agreed.
- 4. That authority be delegated to approve draw-down from the total CRSTS fund of no more than £500,000 to the Chief Executive TfGM and GMCA.
- 5. That the draw-down of CRSTS funding be approved as follows:
  - Trafford Bus Studies. £0.92m to develop the scheme to Outline Business Case;
  - Quality Bus Transit (Better Bus Routes). £0.09m CRSTS funding to deliver signal priority for late running buses across the QBT corridors; and
  - Zero Emission Bus (ZEB). £3.92m to enable DNO upgrades for Bus
     Franchising depots and to fund the continued development and delivery of the CRSTS ZEB Programme.
- 6. That the draw-down of Active Travel funding be approved as follows:
  - £0.17m of additional MCF funding for Salford City Council to deliver their prioritised active travel programme; and
  - That the formal MCF scheme budget variations for Salford City Council be agreed as set out in paragraph 4.6.
- 7. That the draw-down of Growth Deal funding be approved as follows:
  - Salford Central. £1.62m Growth Deal funding to undertake detailed design work; and

- Salford Bolton Network Improvements (SBNI) Programme. £2.06m Growth
   Deal funding to deliver the remaining two delivery packages.
- That the reallocation of Growth Deal funding be noted as follows:
   Salford Bolton Network Improvements (SBNI) DP4 Pendleton Town Centre re-allocation of previously drawn down Growth Deal funding of £1.0m.
- That it be noted that the Bee Network Committee would be kept informed of the schemes <£500,000 that would be approved by the Chief Executive TfGM and GMCA.

A link to the full agenda and papers can be found here: <u>Browse meetings - Bee</u>

<u>Network Committee - Greater Manchester Combined Authority (greatermanchester-ca.gov.uk)</u>

This decision notice was issued Monday, 30 October 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 6 November 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.