

**Notice Of Decisions Agreed at the Greater Manchester Air Quality Administration  
Committee Held on Tuesday, 1st October, 2024**

**Present:**

Councillor Eamonn O'Brien (Chair)	GM Lead Member for Clean Air
Councillor Richard Silvester	Bolton Council
Councillor Alan Quinn	Bury Council
Councillor Abdul Jabbar	Oldham Council
Councillor Tracey Rawlins	Manchester City Council
Councillor Abdul Jabbar	Oldham Council
Councillor Tricia Ayrton	Rochdale Council
Councillor Mike McCusker	Salford City Council
Councillor Mark Roberts	Stockport Council
Cllr Andrew McLaren (Substitute)	Tameside Council
Councillor Paul Prescott	Wigan Council

**Officers in Attendance:**

Megan Black	TfGM
Gillian Duckworth	GMCA
Martin Lax	TfGM
Kate Jackson	TfGM
Frank Tudor	TfGM
Paul Harris	GMCA

**1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received and noted from Councillors Denise Ward (Tameside) and Aidan Williams (Trafford).

**2. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR OF THE COMMITTEE FOR 2024-2025**

That Councillor Eamonn O'Brien, GM Lead Member for Clean Air, be appointed as Chair of the GM Air Quality Administration Committee for the 2024/2025 municipal year.

### 3. CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS AND URGENT BUSINESS

### 4. MEMBERSHIP OF THE COMMITTEE 2024-2025

The Membership of the Committee for the 2024-2025 municipal year as follows, noting also that Tameside has made a change to their representative, with Councillor Denise Ward replacing Councillor Jacqueline North:-

District	Member	Substitute
GMCA	Eamonn O'Brien (Lab)	
Bolton	Richard Silvester (Labour Co-operative)	Hamid Khurram (Lab)
Bury	Alan Quinn (Lab)	Gareth Staple-Jones (Lab)
Manchester	Tracey Rawlins (Lab)	To be confirmed
Oldham	Abdul Jabbar (Lab)	Josh Charters (Lab)
Rochdale	Tricia Ayrton (Lab)	To be confirmed
Salford	Mike McCusker (Lab)	Jane Hamilton (Lab)
Stockport	Mark Roberts (Lib Dem)	Grace Bayham (Lib Dem)
Tameside	Denise Ward (Lab)	Andrew McClaren (Lab)
Trafford	Aiden Williams (Lab)	Steve Adshead (Lab)
Wigan	Paul Prescott (Lab)	Joanne Marshall (Lab)

### 5. TERMS OF REFERENCE

That the Terms of Reference of the GM Air Quality Administration Committee, be noted.

### 6. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations made by any member of the committee in respect of any interests regarding any item on the agenda.

### 7. MINUTES

That the minutes of the previous meeting of the Committee, held on 20th December 2023, be approved as a correct record.

### 8. GM CLEAN AIR PLAN - SEPTEMBER 2024 UPDATE

1. That the factors which have resulted in material updates to baseline modelling scenarios

and the need to re-submit an appraisal of GM Investment-led Clean Air Plan, as set out in the report, be noted.

2. That it be noted that the update to the modelling does not alter the conclusion of GM's December 2023 Submission that GM's Investment-led Plan performs better than the Clean Air Zone (CAZ) Benchmark.

3. That it be noted that the revised Investment-led Plan, given the delay to the electrification of Queens Road depot and the removal of the temporary speed limit on the M602, will deliver compliance in the shortest possible time and by 2026 at the latest.

4. That the update to GM's proposed bus measures that are grounded in the ability of GM to control the emissions standards of vehicles operating on key routes, having introduced a bus franchising scheme, be noted.

5. That taxi measures remain unchanged be noted.

6. That the progress to put an emission standard in place for licensed taxis, be noted.

7. That the progress to determine highway measures to ensure compliance at Regent Road, Salford and Quay Street, Manchester, as set out in the report, be noted.

8. That from an equality impacts perspective, the Investment-led Plan would deliver an air quality improvement that benefits individuals with protected characteristics, be noted. And also noted that an air quality improvement is likely to be faster for the Investment led Plan than a CAZ Benchmark due to the former achieving compliance earlier.

9. That it be noted that that the Government be requested to give urgent consideration to agreement to the removal of the 1309 signs installed for a GM-wide category C charging Clean Air Zone across GM and its boundary Authorities, as the appraisal shows that only the Investment-led Plan meets the legal requirement to deliver compliance in the shortest possible time and by 2026 at the latest and therefore the signs are no longer required.

10. That the Investment-led Plan would require an estimated additional £15.2 million of funding versus £61.9 million for a CAZ Benchmark when considering whole life costs, be noted.

11. That it be noted that Local Partnerships have been asked by JAQU to review the Investment led Plan aspects of the GM Appraisal Report (and relevant annexes), focusing on

the commercial, financial and management elements.

12. That the Committee agrees to grant delegated authority to the Group Chief Executive, GMCA, GMFRS and TfGM, in consultation with the GM Clean Air Lead, to approve the final submission of material to the Government's Joint Air Quality Unit and deal with any supplementary requests from the Joint Air Quality Unit in support of the appraisal.

13. That the 2023 GM Clean Air Plan monitoring data indicates that nitrogen dioxide air pollution has seen an overall reduction in nitrogen dioxide exceedances compared to 2022, and a significant improvement to 2019 levels, as set out in the report, be noted.

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

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This decision notice was issued **Tuesday 30 July 2019** 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 FIELD\_CALLIN\_EXPIRY

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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.