

Forward Plan of Key Decisions: 1 April 2024 to 30 June 2024

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## What is a Forward Plan of Key Decisions?

The Register is a published list of the key decisions which are due to be taken by the:

- Greater Manchester Combined Authority (GMCA)
- Greater Manchester Elected Mayor
- Joint GMCA & AGMA Executive Board
- Transport for Greater Manchester Committee
- GMCA Resources Committee
- GMCA's Waste & Recycling Committee
- · Statutory Officers of the GMCA

These decisions must be published on the Register at least 28 clear days before the decision is to be taken, whether in public or private. The Register is updated at least once a

## What is a Key Decision?

A key decision defined by 'the Order' is a decision which, in the view of the Greater Manchester Combined Authority's Overview and Scrutiny Committee, would result in any of the decision makers listed:

- (i) incurring expenditure over £500,000, or making significant savings of £500,000 or more relating to the budget for the service area to which the decision relates; or
- (ii) be significant in terms of its effects on persons living or working in an area of more two or more wards or electoral divisions of Greater Manchester.

## How to find out more on these proposed decisions

The report (other than those which contain confidential or exempt information) relating to these decisions will published on the GMCA's website five working days before the decision is to be made see <a href="https://www.greatermanchester-ca.gov.uk">www.greatermanchester-ca.gov.uk</a>.

For general information about the decision- making process please contact:

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month.

This Register of Key Decisions has been prepared in accordance with <u>Combined</u>

<u>Authorities (Overview and Scrutiny</u>

<u>Committees, Access to Information and Audit</u>

<u>Committees) Order 2017</u> ('the Order').

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Greater Manchester Combined Authority
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Oxford Street
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The GMCA's has an Overview & Scrutiny Committee whose role is to contribute to the development of GMCA's strategies and policies, to scrutinise decisions of the decision-makers listed above and to consider any matter affecting those who live, work, study or run businesses in Greater Manchester.



Decision title	What is the decision?	Decision Maker	Planned Decision	Documents to be	Portfolio Lead	Lead Director	Officer Contact
			Dates	considered			
Transport							
Bus Franchising	To approve the award of:  (i) the franchise contracts relating to bus franchising; (ii) contracts for the provision of various franchise scheme related services and goods (including all contracts for the provision of equipment, hardware, software and background IT infrastructure that are required	Chief Executive Officer GMCA & TfGM  GM Mayor  Greater Manchester Combined Authority	Between 1 Apr 2024 and 30 Jun 2024  Between 1 Apr 2024 and 30 Jun 2024  Between 31 May 2024 and 30 Jun 2024	Report with recommendations	GM Mayor Andy Burnham GM Mayor Andy Burnham GM Mayor Andy Burnham		Steve Warrener steve.warrener @tfgm.com

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	to support and/or facilitate the delivery, and ongoing operation, of franchised bus services and the overall franchising scheme); and (iii) contracts for the acquisition and/or lease of land, sites or other assets (comprising real estate or otherwise) in connection with the delivery, and ongoing operation, of franchised bus services and the overall franchising scheme.						
City Region Sustainable Transport Settlement	To approve allocations and Governance and Assurance	Chief Executive Officer GMCA & TfGM	Between 1 Apr 2024 and 30 Jun 2024	Report and recommendati ons	GM Mayor Andy Burnham	Chief Executive	

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(CRSTS)	arrangements for specific schemes as and when required.	Bee Network Committee	Between 31 May 2024 and 30 Jun 2024			Officer GMCA & TfGM	
Bus Depot Acquisitions	To negotiate and approve procedural changes for the acquisition of bus depots to support Tranches 2 and 3 bus franchising, within previously approved capital and revenue budgets for bus franchising.	Chief Executive Officer GMCA & TfGM Greater Manchester Combined Authority	Between 1 Apr 2024 and 30 Jun 2024 Between 31 May 2024 and 30 Jun 2024	28 Delivering the Bee Network - Bus Fares Fleet Depots and CRSTS	GM Mayor Andy Burnham GM Mayor Andy Burnham		Steve Warrener steve.warrener @tfgm.com
Bus Depot Leases Tranche 2 and 3	To agree the final terms of leases of bus depots both in respect of interim leaseback arrangements	Chief Executive Officer GMCA & TfGM	Between 1 Apr 2024 and 30 Jun 2024	12 Delivering the Bee Network	GM Mayor Andy Burnham		Jacqueline Elliott Jacqueline.Elli ott@tfgm.com

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	to existing operators and the franchise depot subleases to be granted to the franchise bus operators for Tranches 2 and 3.						
Bus Depot Acquisitions Treasurer Decision Tranches 1, 2 & 3	To agree the terms of any agreement between GMCA and TfGM to bring Tranche 1 leases in line with Tranches 2 and 3.	Treasurer GMCA	Between 1 Apr 2024 and 30 Jun 2024	12 Delivering the Bee Network	GM Mayor Andy Burnham		Jacqueline Elliott Jacqueline.Elli ott@tfgm.com
Subsidised Services	To approve forthcoming changes to subsidised bus services.	Chief Executive Officer GMCA & TfGM  Bee Network Committee	Between 1 Apr 2024 and 30 Jun 2024 Between 31 May 2024 and 30 Jun 2024	Report with Recommendati ons	GM Mayor Andy Burnham GM Mayor Andy Burnham	Chief Executive Officer GMCA & TfGM	Stephen Rhodes stephen.rhode s@tfgm.com

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Active Travel Programme	Approval to release funding to progress the development and delivery of cycling and walking schemes and programmes.	Bee Network Committee	Between 31 May 2024 and 30 Jun 2024	Report with Recommendati ons	GM Mayor Andy Burnham	Chief Executive Officer GMCA & TfGM	Richard Nickson richard.nickson @tfgm.com
Local Growth Deal (1, 2 and 3) six monthly progress update	To grant Full or Conditional Approval and/or release funding / approve expenditure and allocate/realloca te funding across the programme for schemes within the Growth Deal 1,2,3 and/or the Transforming Cities Fund.	Greater Manchester Combined Authority	Between 31 May 2024 and 30 Jun 2024	Report with Recommendati ons	GM Mayor Andy Burnham	Chief Executive Officer GMCA & TfGM	Steve Warrener steve.warrener @tfgm.com
Bee Network Advertising Policy	To review the Bee Network	Bee Network Committee	Between 31 May 2024 and 30 Jun 2024	Report with recommendati ons	GM Mayor Andy Burnham		Steve Warrener steve.warrener

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	Advertising Policy to ensure it aligns with and support the objectives of the Greater Manchester Strategy.						@tfgm.com
Transport Network Planning and Review Process	To approve the proposed approach to reviewing and developing the franchised bus network through a programme of network reviews.  To approve the proposed network planning guidelines.	Bee Network Committee	Between 31 May 2024 and 30 Jun 2024	Report with recommendati ons	GM Mayor Andy Burnham		Stephen Rhodes stephen.rhode s@tfgm.com

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	12-month programme of network reviews.						
GM Rapid Transit Strategy	Approve the draft GM Rapid Transit Strategy.	Greater Manchester Combined Authority	Between 31 May 2024 and 30 Jun 2024	Report with recommendati ons	GM Mayor Andy Burnham		Luke Bramwell Luke.Bramwell @tfgm.com
Technical Edu	cation & Skills						
ESF Skills for Growth Commissionin g	To proceed with the procurement and contracting of providers and activity relating to the GM Skills for Growth programme.	Chief Executive Officer GMCA & TfGM	Between 1 Apr 2024 and 30 Jun 2024	Report with recommendati ons	Councillor Eamonn O'Brien	Treasurer GMCA	Gemma Marsh gemma.marsh @greatermanc hester- ca.gov.uk
Skills Bootcamps 2024 - 2025: Contract	To extend current contracts of wave 4 providers to	Treasurer GMCA	Between 1 Apr 2024 and 30 Jun 2025	National Skills Funding (CA report Feb 2023)	Councillor Eamonn O'Brien		Hannah Vincent hannah.vincen t@greaterman

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extensions for wave 4 providers to continue delivery into wave 5. Wave 5 commissioning	continue to deliver into wave 5 of the Skills Bootcamps Programme To proceed with						chester- ca.gov.uk
	the procurement and contracting of providers and activity relating to the GM Skills Bootcamps Programme.						
Resources and	Investment						
Greater Manchester Business Funds	To conditionally approve business investments to proceed to due diligence and/or note commercial changes to existing investments,	Greater Manchester Combined Authority	Between 1 Apr 2024 and 30 Jun 2024	Report with Recommendati ons	Councillor David Molyneux	Chief Executive Officer GMCA & TfGM	Kirsteen Armitage kirsteen.armita ge@greaterma nchestre- ca.gov.uk

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	including where relevant negotiated settlements.						
The supply of insurance services (excluding Insurance Brokerage)	Approval to award the contract for provision of insurance services	Treasurer GMCA	Between 13 May 2024 and 17 May 2024	Contract Award Recommendati on Report (internal)	Councillor David Molyneux		Sam Pickles Picklessj@ma nchesterfire.go v.uk
GM UKSPF Programme - Progress and Performance Management Process	Share progress to date on the GM UKSPF programme and seek agreement for a programme management process for 2024/5	Greater Manchester Combined Authority	Between 31 May 2024 and 30 Jun 2024	Report with recommendati ons	Councillor David Molyneux		Alison Gordon alison.gordon @greatermanc hester- ca.gov.uk
Housing							
GM City Deal Receipts - Investment Approval	The approval of investments funded with City Deal Receipts received from	Greater Manchester Combined Authority	Between 31 May 2024 and 30 Jun 2024	Report	Councillor Gerald Cooney		Michael Walmsley Michael.Walm sley@greater

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Recommendati ons	Homes England.						manchester- ca.gov.uk
GM Brownfield Programme	The allocation of funding from GMCA's brownfield programme to residential developments in GM.	Greater Manchester Combined Authority	Between 31 May 2024 and 30 Jun 2024	Report with recommendati ons	Councillor Gerald Cooney		Michael Walmsley Michael.Walm sley@greater manchester- ca.gov.uk
Greater Manchester Housing Funds	To conditionally approve housing investments to proceed to due diligence and/or note commercial changes to existing investments	Greater Manchester Combined Authority	Between 31 May 2024 and 30 Jun 2024	Report with Recommendati ons	Councillor Gerald Cooney	Chief Executive Officer GMCA & TfGM	Michael Walmsley Michael.Walm sley@greater manchester- ca.gov.uk
Agreement to using further Greater Manchester Housing Investment	To agree the further use of Greater Manchester Housing Investment	Greater Manchester Combined Authority	Between 31 May 2024 and 30 Jun 2024	Report with Recommendati ons	Councillor Gerald Cooney	Chief Executive Officer GMCA & TfGM	Michael Walmsley Michael.Walm sley@greater manchester- ca.gov.uk

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Loan Fund surpluses	Loan Fund (GMHILF) surpluses to support the delivery of the GM Housing Strategy						
Greater Manchester Property Funds	To conditionally approve property investments to proceed to due diligence and/or note commercial changes to existing investments.	Greater Manchester Combined Authority	Between 31 May 2024 and 30 Jun 2024	Report with Recommendati ons	Councillor Gerald Cooney	Chief Executive Officer GMCA & TfGM	Andrew McIntosh andrew.mcinto sh@greaterma nchester- ca.gov.uk
Homelessness							
GM Refugee Homelessness Prevention Service	Award of grant allocations under the new GM Refugee Homelessness Prevention Service	Greater Manchester Combined Authority	Between 31 May 2024 and 30 Jun 2024	Report with recommendati ons	City Mayor Paul Dennett		Joe Donohue joseph.donohu e@greaterman chester- ca.gov.uk

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Culture Strategy 2024- 2029	To approve the Culture Strategy 2024-2029.	Greater Manchester Combined Authority	31 May 2024	Report with recommendati ons	Councillor Neil Emmott		Marie-Claire Daly Marie- Claire.Daly@g reatermanches ter-ca.gov.uk