

Forward Plan of Key Decisions: 1 July 2024 to 30 September 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

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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 www.greatermanchester-ca.gov.uk.

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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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							
Green City Reg	Green City Region										
Greater Manchester: Low carbon Skills Fund - Phase 5	Subject to a successful bid to the Low carbon Skills Fund, delegate authority to GMCA Treasurer and Solicitor, in consultation with the Lead Portfolio Holder to: a) Sign a Grant Funding agreeme nt with Salix to receive grant funding	Greater Manchester Combined Authority	12 Jul 2024	Report with recommendations	Councillor Tom Ross		Sarah Holland sarah.holland @greatermanc hester- ca.gov.uk				

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	for a GM Low carbon Skills Fund feasibilit y Program me; and b) expend the awarded grant funds by defrayed agreeme nts via the funding partners i.e., cr7 public body partners including Local Authoriti es						
Integrated Water Management	To approve the business plan for the	Greater Manchester Combined	27 Sep 2024	Report with recommendati ons	Councillor Tom Ross		Andrew McIntosh andrew.mcinto

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Plan - Annual Business Plan	Integrated Water Management Plan 2024/25	Authority					sh@greaterma nchester- ca.gov.uk
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 to support and/or facilitate	Chief Executive Officer GMCA & TfGM GM Mayor Greater Manchester Combined Authority	Between 1 Jul 2024 and 30 Sep 2024 Between 1 Jul 2024 and 30 Sep 2024 Between 1 Jul 2024 and 30 Sep 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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	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 (CRSTS)	To approve allocations and Governance and Assurance arrangements	Chief Executive Officer GMCA & TfGM Bee Network	Between 1 Jul 2024 and 30 Sep 2024 Between 1 Jul 2024 and 30	Report and recommendati ons	GM Mayor Andy Burnham GM Mayor	Chief Executive Officer GMCA & TfGM	Steve Warrener steve.warrener @tfgm.com

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	for specific schemes as and when required.	Committee	Sep 2024		Andy Burnham		
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 Jul 2024 and 30 Sep 2024 Between 1 Jul 2024 and 30 Sep 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 to existing operators and the franchise	Chief Executive Officer GMCA & TfGM	Between 1 Jul 2024 and 30 Sep 2024	12 Delivering the Bee Network	GM Mayor Andy Burnham		Jacqueline Elliott Jacqueline.Elli ott@tfgm.com

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	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 Jul 2024 and 30 Sep 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.	Bee Network Committee Chief Executive Officer GMCA & TfGM	Between 1 Jul 2024 and 30 Sep 2024 Between 1 Jul 2024 and 30 Sep 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
Active Travel Programme	Approval to	Bee Network Committee	Between 1 Jul 2024 and 30	Report with Recommendati	GM Mayor	Chief	Richard Nickson

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	release funding to progress the development and delivery of cycling and walking schemes and programmes.		Sep 2024	ons	Andy Burnham	Executive Officer GMCA & TfGM	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 1 Jul 2024 and 30 Sep 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 Advertising	Bee Network Committee	Between 1 Jul 2024 and 30 Sep 2024	Report with recommendati ons	GM Mayor Andy Burnham		Steve Warrener steve.warrener @tfgm.com

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	Policy to ensure it aligns with and support the objectives of the Greater Manchester Strategy.						
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	Bee Network Committee	Between 1 Jul 2024 and 30 Sep 2024	Report with recommendati ons	GM Mayor Andy Burnham		Stephen Rhodes stephen.rhode s@tfgm.com
	planning guidelines. To approve the 12-month						

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	programme of network reviews.						
GM Rapid Transit Strategy	Approve the draft GM Rapid Transit Strategy.	Greater Manchester Combined Authority	12 Jul 2024	Report with recommendati ons	GM Mayor Andy Burnham		Luke Bramwell Luke.Bramwell @tfgm.com
City Centre Bus Strategy Phase 1	To approved CRSTS funds to continue developing the City Centre Bus Strategy Phase 1.	Bee Network Committee	Between 1 Jul 2024 and 30 Sep 2024	Report with recommendati ons	GM Mayor Andy Burnham		Anthony Murden Anthony.murd en@tfgm.com
Integrated Measures Ticketing and Customer Schemes and Programmes	To approve Final Business Case and CRSTS funding to progress the development and delivery of Integrated Measures Ticketing and Customer schemes and programmes.	Bee Network Committee	Between 1 Jul 2024 and 30 Sep 2024	Report with recommendati ons	GM Mayor Andy Burnham		Helen Humble helen.humble @tfgm.com

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Next Generation Vehicles / Tram-Train Pathfinder	To approve CRSTS funding to continue developing the Next Generation Vehicles / Tram- Train Pathfinder scheme Outline Business Case.	Bee Network Committee	Between 1 Jul 2024 and 30 Sep 2024	Report with recommendati ons	GM Mayor Andy Burnham		Luke Bramwell Luke.Bramwell @tfgm.com
Stockport: Bredbury Economic Corridor Improvements (BECI)	To approve the Final Business Case and CRSTS funding to deliver the Stockport: Bredbury Economic Corridor Improvements (BECI)	Bee Network Committee	Between 1 Jul 2024 and 30 Sep 2024	Report with recommendati ons	GM Mayor Andy Burnham		Sue Stevenson sue.stevenson @stockport.go v.uk
Stockport: Hempshaw Lane	To approve the Final Business Case and CRSTS funding to deliver the Stockport: Hempshaw Lane Streets for All scheme.	Bee Network Committee	Between 1 Jul 2024 and 30 Sep 2024	Report with recommendati ons	GM Mayor Andy Burnham		Sue Stevenson sue.stevenson @stockport.go v.uk

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SWANI (Sale West to Altrincham Network Improvements)	To approve Final Business Case and CRSTS funding to deliver the SWANI (Sale West to Altrincham Network Improvements) scheme.	Bee Network Committee	Between 1 Jul 2024 and 30 Sep 2024	Report with recommendati ons	GM Mayor Andy Burnham		Anthony Murden Anthony.murd en@tfgm.com
Tameside: A560 Stockport Road / Hattersley Viaduct Refurbishment and Widening	To approve CRSTS funding to continue developing the A560 Stockport Road / Hattersley Viaduct Refurbishment and Widening Streets for All scheme.	Bee Network Committee	Between 1 Jul 2024 and 30 Sep 2024	Report with recommendati ons	GM Mayor Andy Burnham		Andrew Vincent Andrew.vincen t@tfgm.com
CRSTS Annual Report 2023-24 and updated Delivery Plan	To note and approve the CRSTS Annual Report 2023-24 and the updated Delivery Plan.	Bee Network Committee	Between 1 Jul 2024 and 30 Sep 2024	Report with recommendati ons	GM Mayor Andy Burnham		Chris Barnes chris.barnes@t fgm.com

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Access for All Next Tranche	To approve match funding contribution to progress development of the Access for All programme.	Bee Network Committee	Between 1 Jul 2024 and 30 Nov 2024	Report with recommendati ons	GM Mayor Andy Burnham		Simon Elliott simon.elliott@t fgm.com
Improving Journeys Rochdale - Oldham - Ashton Quality Bus Transit (Rochdale elements)	To approve CRSTS funding to continue developing Rochdale elements of the Improving Journeys Rochdale – Oldham – Ashton QBT scheme.	Bee Network Committee	Between 1 Jul 2024 and 31 Oct 2024	Report with recommendati ons	GM Mayor Andy Burnham		Anthony Murden Anthony.murd en@tfgm.com
Rochdale Middleton Streets for All Phase 1	To approve CRSTS funding to develop phase 1 of Rochdale Middleton Streets for All scheme.	Bee Network Committee	Between 1 Jul 2024 and 31 Oct 2024	Report with recommendati ons	GM Mayor Andy Burnham		Paul Moore paul.moore@r ochdale.gov.uk
Stockport:	To approve	Bee Network	Between 1 Jul	Report with	GM Mayor		Sue

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Queens Road Bridge - (Strategic Maintenance)	CRSTS funding to develop and deliver Stockport's Queens Road Bridge Strategic Maintenance scheme.	Committee	2024 and 30 Sep 2024	recommendati ons	Andy Burnham		Stephenson sue.stephenso n@stockport.g ov.uk
Bee Network Fares and Ticketing Products	Approve changes to Bee Network fares and ticketing products.	Greater Manchester Combined Authority	Between 1 Jul 2024 and 30 Sep 2024	Report with recommendati ons	GM Mayor Andy Burnham		Fran Wilkinson fran.wilkinson @tfgm.com
Technical Educ	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 Jul 2024 and 23 Sep 2024	Report with recommendati ons	Councillor Eamonn O'Brien	Treasurer GMCA	Gemma Marsh gemma.marsh @greatermanc hester- ca.gov.uk
Skills	To extend	Treasurer	Between 1 Jul	National Skills	Councillor		Hannah

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Bootcamps 2024 - 2025: Contract extensions for wave 4 providers to continue delivery into wave 5. Wave 5 commissioning	current contracts of wave 4 providers to continue to deliver into wave 5 of the Skills Bootcamps Programme To proceed with the procurement and contracting of providers and activity relating to the GM Skills Bootcamps Programme.	GMCA	2024 and 30 Sep 2025	Funding (CA report Feb 2023)	Eamonn O'Brien		Vincent hannah.vincen t@greaterman chester- ca.gov.uk
Grant Award to the 10 Local Authorities for the GM In- Work Progression Service	Decision to grant all 10 Local Authorities £200,000 each per year for two years to fund the GM In-Work Progression Service (an expansion of the	Treasurer GMCA	July 2024	Report with recommendati ons	Councillor Eamonn O'Brien		Gemma Marsh gemma.marsh @greatermanc hester- ca.gov.uk

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	Tameside In- Work Progression Pilot).						
Working Well: Universal Support	To accept the terms of the Universal Support Grant Funding Agreement and to grant delegated authority to CA senior officers for the approval of Universal Support Plans	Greater Manchester Combined Authority	27 Sep 2024	Report with recommendati ons	Councillor Eamonn O'Brien		Thomas Britton
Resources and	I Investment						
Greater Manchester Business Funds	To conditionally approve business investments to proceed to due diligence and/or note commercial changes to	Greater Manchester Combined Authority	Between 1 Jul 2024 and 30 Sep 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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	existing investments, including where relevant negotiated settlements.						
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 1 Jul 2024 and 30 Sep 2024	Report with recommendati ons	Councillor David Molyneux		Alison Gordon alison.gordon @greatermanc hester- ca.gov.uk
Revenue and capital budget updates	Approve revisions to revenue budget and capital programme.	Greater Manchester Combined Authority Greater Manchester Combined Authority Greater Combined Authority	12 Jul 2024 25 Oct 2024 28 Feb 2025	Report with recommendati ons	Councillor David Molyneux Councillor David Molyneux		Steve Wilson Steve.Wilson @greatermanc hester- ca.gov.uk

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		Authority			Councillor David Molyneux		
Housing GM City Deal Receipts - Investment Approval Recommendati ons	The approval of investments funded with City Deal Receipts received from Homes England.	Greater Manchester Combined Authority	Between 1 Jul 2024 and 30 Sep 2024	Report	Councillor Gerald Cooney		Michael Walmsley Michael.Walm sley@greater 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 1 Jul 2024 and 30 Sep 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	Greater Manchester Combined Authority	Between 1 Jul 2024 and 30 Sep 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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	note commercial changes to existing investments						
Agreement to using further Greater Manchester Housing Investment Loan Fund surpluses	To agree the further use of Greater Manchester Housing Investment Loan Fund (GMHILF) surpluses to support the delivery of the GM Housing Strategy	Greater Manchester Combined Authority	Between 1 Jul 2024 and 30 Sep 2024	Report with Recommendati ons	Councillor Gerald Cooney	Chief Executive Officer GMCA & TfGM	Michael Walmsley Michael.Walm sley@greater manchester- ca.gov.uk
Greater Manchester Property Funds	To conditionally approve property investments to proceed to due diligence and/or note commercial	Greater Manchester Combined Authority	Between 1 Jul 2024 and 30 Sep 2024	Report with Recommendati ons	Councillor Gerald Cooney	Chief Executive Officer GMCA & TfGM	Andrew McIntosh andrew.mcinto sh@greaterma nchester- ca.gov.uk

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	changes to existing investments.						
The Good Landlord Charter	To agree GM's Good Landlord Charter and approach to commissioning an external organisation to run the charter, including funding for the contract.	Greater Manchester Combined Authority	12 Jul 2024	Report with recommendati ons	Councillor Gerald Cooney		Steve Fyfe steve.fyfe@gre atermancheste r-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 1 Jul 2024 and 30 Sep 2024	Report with recommendati ons	City Mayor Paul Dennett		Joe Donohue joseph.donohu e@greaterman chester- ca.gov.uk
Culture Strategy 2024- 2029	To approve the Culture Strategy 2024-2029.	Greater Manchester Combined Authority	12 Jul 2024	Report with recommendati ons	Councillor Neil Emmott		Marie-Claire Daly Marie- Claire.Daly@g reatermanches ter-ca.gov.uk

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Mayoral Devel	opment Corpora	tion					
The Stockport Town Centre West Mayoral Development Corporation's Strategic Business Plan May 2024 - March 2029	Approval from the GMCA for the Stockport Town Centre West Mayoral Development Corporation's Strategic Business Plan 2024-2029 and the Annual Action Plan which sets out more detail on the commercially sensitive activities the MDC will undertake over the course of 2024 / 2025 to deliver the	Greater Manchester Combined Authority	12 Jul 2024	Report with recommendations	GM Mayor Andy Burnham		Andrew McIntosh andrew.mcinto sh@greaterma nchester- ca.gov.uk

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	objectives in the full plan.						
Children & Yoเ	ıng People						
Skyline: Greater Manchester Shared Children's Residential Care Services	To commence the procurement process. After careful consideration the route to market has been decided as a competitive dialogue with one dialogue stage included.	Greater Manchester Combined Authority	Between 1 Jul 2024 and 30 Nov 2024	Report with recommendati ons	Councillor Mark Hunter		Allan Madeley allan.madeley @greatermanc hester- ca.gov.uk
Digital							
GM One Network Connectivity Partner(s)	To agree and award the contract for the GM One Network connectivity tender.	Greater Manchester Combined Authority	27 Sep 2024	Report with recommendati ons	Councillor Nicholas Peel		Luke Smith luke.smith@gr eatermanchest er-ca.gov.uk
Strategic Digital	22/07/2024 GM	Treasurer GMCA	July 2024	Report with recommendati	Councillor		Kieran Smith Kieran.Smith@

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Partners - Contract Award Decision (x3)	Digital has been successful in securing funding through retained business rates to improve our regional digital capabilities. This decision is to approve contract award several procurements, (TBC) to drive value and create stronger strategic relationships with our supplier networks.			ons	Nicholas Peel		greatermanche ster-ca.gov.uk