

Forward Plan of Key Decisions: 1 December 2024 to 31 March 2025 November 2024 Published on 01

## 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

## 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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private. The Register is updated at least once a 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
& Greater Manchester Mayor
Tootal Buildings
Oxford Street
Manchester M1 6EU

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 Rec	Green City Region											
Greater Manchester Environment Plan 2025-30	To approve the Greater Manchester Environment Plan 2025-30.	Greater Manchester Combined Authority	29 Nov 2024	Report with recommendati ons	Councillor Tom Ross		Mark Atherton mark.atherton @greatermanc hester- ca.gov.uk					
Net Zero Housing Retrofit Framework Agreement	The Low Carbon Team, in conjunction with the Department for Energy and Net Zero's regional Net Zero Hubs, intends to put in place a national Framework Agreement for the retrofit of housing with energy	Group Finance Officer	October 2024		Councillor Tom Ross		Nic Langman nic.langman@ greatermanche r-ca.gov.uk					

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	efficiency and low carbon heating measures under several government grant funding schemes. The framework will be for a total of 4 years and be self-funding through an Activity Based Income stream of 1% of contracted spend through the framework charged to suppliers once they secure their first call off contract from the agreement.						
Joint Minerals & Waste Plan: Options Report	To consider the options to review the existing joint Plans and confirm a	AGMA Executive Board	December 2024	Report with recommendati ons	City Mayor Paul Dennett		David Hodcroft david.hodcroft @greatermanc hester- ca.gov.uk

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Transport	preferred option.						
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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 the delivery, and ongoing operation, of	Group Chief Executive  GM Mayor  Greater Manchester Combined Authority	Between 1 Nov 2024 and 31 Jan 2025  Between 1 Nov 2024 and 31 Jan 2025  Between 1 Nov 2024 and 31 Jan 2025	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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	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 for specific schemes as and when required.	Group Chief Executive  Bee Network Committee  Greater Manchester	Between 1 Nov 2024 and 31 Jan 2025 Between 1 Nov 2024 and 31 Jan 2025	Report and recommendati ons	GM Mayor Andy Burnham GM Mayor Andy Burnham	Group Chief Executive	Steve Warrener steve.warrener @tfgm.com

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		Combined Authority	Between 1 Nov 2024 and 31 Jan 2025		GM Mayor 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.	Group Chief Executive Greater Manchester Combined Authority	Between 1 Nov 2024 and 31 Jan 2025 Between 1 Nov 2024 and 31 Jan 2025	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	Group Chief Executive	Between 1 Nov 2024 and 31 Jan 2025	12 Delivering the Bee Network	GM Mayor Andy Burnham		Jacqueline Elliott Jacqueline.Elli ott@tfgm.com

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	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.	Group Finance Officer	Between 1 Nov 2024 and 31 Jan 2025	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 Group Chief Executive	Between 1 Nov 2024 and 31 Jan 2025 Between 1 Nov 2024 and 31 Jan 2025	Report with Recommendati ons	GM Mayor Andy Burnham GM Mayor Andy Burnham	Group Chief Executive	Stephen Rhodes stephen.rhode s@tfgm.com
Active Travel	Approval to	Bee Network	Between 1	Report with	GM Mayor	Group Chief	Richard

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Programme	release funding to progress the development and delivery of cycling and walking schemes and programmes.	Committee	Nov 2024 and 31 Jan 2025	Recommendati ons	Andy Burnham	Executive	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 1 Nov 2024 and 31 Jan 2025	Report with Recommendations	GM Mayor Andy Burnham	Group Chief Executive	Steve Warrener steve.warrener @tfgm.com
Transport Network Planning and Review	To approve the proposed approach to	Bee Network Committee	Between 1 Nov 2024 and 31 Jan 2025	Report with recommendati ons	GM Mayor Andy Burnham		Stephen Rhodes stephen.rhode s@tfgm.com

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Process	reviewing and developing the franchised bus network through a programme of network reviews.  To approve the proposed network planning guidelines.  To approve the 12-month programme of network reviews.						
Bee Network Advertising Policy	To review the Bee Network Advertising Policy to ensure it aligns with and support the objectives of	Bee Network Committee	Between 1 Nov 2024 and 31 Jan 2025	Report with recommendati ons	GM Mayor Andy Burnham		Steve Warrener steve.warrener @tfgm.com

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	the Greater Manchester Strategy.						
Integrated Measures Ticketing and Customer	To approve Final Business Cases and CRSTS funding to progress the development and delivery of Integrated Measures Ticketing and Customer schemes and programmes.	Bee Network Committee	Between 1 Nov 2024 and 31 Jan 2025	Report with recommendati ons	GM Mayor Andy Burnham		Helen Humble helen.humble @tfgm.com
Vision Zero for Greater Manchester	Approve the formal adoption of Vision Zero for Greater Manchester by 2040 as defined in the Vision Zero Strategy and supported by an initial three-year Vision Zero Action Plan	Greater Manchester Combined Authority	Between 1 Nov 2024 and 31 Dec 2024	Report with recommendati ons	GM Mayor Andy Burnham		Peter Boulton Peter.Boulton @tfgm.com

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Development of long term rapid transit options - transit-oriented development.	To approve CRSTS funding for rapid transit- oriented residential development at Bury Interchange.	Bee Network Committee	Between 1 Nov 2024 and 31 Dec 2024	Report with recommendati ons	GM Mayor Andy Burnham		Luke Bramwell Luke.Bramwell @tfgm.com
Improving Journeys (QBT) Ashton - Stockport	To approve CRSTS funding to continue developing the Improving Journeys Ashton – Stockport QBT scheme.	Bee Network Committee	Between 1 Nov 2024 and 31 Jan 2025	Report with recommendati ons	GM Mayor Andy Burnham		Anthony Murden Anthony.murd en @tfgm.com
Improving Journeys (QBT) Early Interventions: CCTV/ATCs	To approve the Full Business Case and CRSTS funding to deliver the scheme.	Bee Network Committee	Between 1 Nov 2024 and 31 Jan 2025	Report with recommendati ons	GM Mayor Andy Burnham		Anthony Murden Anthony.murd en@tfgm.com
Improving Journeys (QBT) Rochdale - Oldham -	To approve CRSTS funding to continue developing Tameside elements of the	Bee Network Committee	Between 1 Nov 2024 and 31 Jan 2025	Report with recommendati ons	GM Mayor Andy Burnham		Anthony Murden Anthony.murd en@tfgm.com

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Ashton (Tameside elements)	Improving Journeys Rochdale – Oldham – Ashton QBT scheme.						
Manchester Electric Vehicle Infrastructure	To approve CRSTS funding to progress a number of Electric Vehicle infrastructure schemes.	Bee Network Committee	Between 1 Nov 2024 and 31 Jan 2025	Report with recommendati ons	GM Mayor Andy Burnham		Clare Kenyon clare.kenyon@ manchester.go v.uk
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.	Group Chief Executive	Between 1 Nov 2024 and 31 Jan 2025	Report with recommendati ons	Councillor Eamonn O'Brien	Group Finance Officer	Gemma Marsh gemma.marsh @greatermanc hester- ca.gov.uk
Skills Bootcamps	To extend current	Group Finance Officer	Between 1 Nov 2024 and	National Skills Funding (CA	Councillor		Hannah Vincent

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2024 - 2025: Contract extensions for wave 4 providers to continue delivery into wave 5. Wave 5 commissioning	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.		31 Jan 2026	report Feb 2023)	Eamonn O'Brien		hannah.vincen t@greaterman chester- ca.gov.uk
Resources and	Investment						
Greater Manchester Business Funds	To conditionally approve business investments to proceed to due diligence and/or note commercial	Greater Manchester Combined Authority	Between 1 Nov 2024 and 31 Jan 2025	Report with Recommendati ons	Councillor David Molyneux	Group Chief Executive	Kirsteen Armitage kirsteen.armita ge@greaterma nchestre- ca.gov.uk

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	changes to 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 Nov 2024 and 31 Jan 2025	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	28 Feb 2025	Report with recommendati ons	Councillor David Molyneux		Steve Wilson Steve.Wilson @greatermanc hester- ca.gov.uk
Housing							
GM City Deal Receipts -	The approval of investments	Greater Manchester	Between 1 Nov 2024 and	Report	Councillor		Michael Walmsley

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Investment Approval Recommendati ons	funded with City Deal Receipts received from Homes England.	Combined Authority	31 Jan 2025		Gerald Cooney		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 Nov 2024 and 31 Jan 2025	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 1 Nov 2024 and 31 Jan 2025	Report with Recommendati ons	Councillor Gerald Cooney	Group Chief Executive	Michael Walmsley Michael.Walm sley@greater manchester- ca.gov.uk
Agreement to using further Greater Manchester	To agree the further use of Greater Manchester	Greater Manchester Combined Authority	Between 1 Nov 2024 and 31 Jan 2025	Report with Recommendati ons	Councillor Gerald Cooney	Group Chief Executive	Michael Walmsley Michael.Walm sley@greater

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Housing Investment Loan Fund surpluses	Housing Investment Loan Fund (GMHILF) surpluses to support the delivery of the GM Housing Strategy						manchester- ca.gov.uk
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 1 Nov 2024 and 31 Jan 2025	Report with Recommendati ons	Councillor Gerald Cooney	Group Chief Executive	Andrew McIntosh andrew.mcinto sh@greaterma nchester- ca.gov.uk
Digital							
GM One Network Connectivity Services	To agree and award the contract for the GM One Network	Greater Manchester Combined Authority	29 Nov 2024	Report with recommendati ons	Councillor Nicholas Peel		Phil Swan Phil.Swan@gr eatermanchest er-ca.gov.uk

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Partner for additional sites	connectivity services tender.						