

## GREATER MANCHESTER TRANSPORT COMMITTEE

Date: Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February 2023

Subject: Bee Network Implementation: Bus Franchising and Customer Experience  
Update

Report of: Steve Warrener, Managing Director, TfGM

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### Purpose of Report

This report provides an update the delivery of the Bee Network an integrated ‘London-style’ transport system, bringing together public transport and active travel to promote a real alternative to travel by car, changing over time the way people travel across the city region and ensuring the very best access to opportunity for all.

This report provides specific updates on the Bus Franchising Programme, as requested by members, what customers can expect from the Bee Network as it is implemented, and how the Bee Network will be shaped and informed by the experience of customers.

### Recommendations:

Members are requested to:

- Note the overview the Bus Franchising Programme and the update on progress to date;
- Note how the Bee Network will be shaped and informed by the experience of customers; and
- Consider which elements of Bee Network delivery members would like to consider in future.

## **Contact Officers**

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## **Equalities Implications**

The Bee Network is Greater Manchester vision for an integrated 'London-style' transport system which is accessible, inclusive and affordable. The Bee Network will bring together public transport and active travel to promote a real alternative to travel by car, changing over time the way people travel and ensuring the very best access to opportunity for all.

Embedding the voice of people and places in the design, delivery and continuous improvement of the Bee Network, will enable to help address the inequalities that currently exist in Greater Manchester.

## **Climate Change Impact Assessment and Mitigation Measures**

The Bee Network is a critical enabler of Greater Manchester's Net Zero ambitions; a truly integrated transport network across active travel and public transport will provide excellent public transport and active travel choices for all, promoting sustainable travel behavioural change through integrated spatial, digital and transport planning; and supporting the electrification of vehicles and public transport fleets.

## **Risk Management**

N/A

## **Legal Considerations**

N/A

## **Financial Consequences – Revenue**

N/A

## **Financial Consequences – Capital**

N/A

**Number of attachments to the report:**

Nil

**Comments/recommendations from Overview & Scrutiny Committee**

N/A

**Background Papers**

N/A

**Tracking/ Process**

Does this report relate to a major strategic decision, as set out in the GMCA Constitution?

No.

**Exemption from call in**

Are there any aspects in this report which means it should be considered to be exempt from call in by the relevant Scrutiny Committee on the grounds of urgency? No.

**GM Transport Committee**

N/A

**Overview and Scrutiny Committee**

N/A