MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE GMCA RESOURCES COMMITTEE HELD ON FRIDAY 26 MAY 2023

PRESENT:

Andy Burnham (In the Chair) Mayor of Greater Manchester

Councillor Bev Craig Manchester

City Mayor, Paul Dennett Salford
Councillor David Molyneux Wigan

ALSO PRESENT:

Councillor Mark Roberts Stockport

Eamonn Boylan Chief Executive Officer, GMCA & TfGM

Andrew Lightfoot Deputy Chief Executive, GMCA

Gill Duckworth Monitoring Officer, GMCA

Kevin Lee GM Mayor's Office Steve Wilson Treasurer, GMCA

Julie Connor Director of Governance & Scrutiny

RC/10/23 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Councillor Mark Hunter (Stockport).

RC/11/23 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

RESOLVED/-

There were no declarations of interest.

RC/12/23 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 24 MARCH 2023 RESOLVED/-

That the minutes of the meeting held on 24 March 2023 be approved as a correct record.

RC/13/23 ASSISTANT DEPUTY MAYOR FOR POLICE, CRIME & FIRE

Andy Burnham, Mayor of Greater Manchester, introduced a report seeking agreement to the extension of Baroness Beverley Hughes' appointment as Assistant Deputy Mayor for Police, Crime & Fire & on terms as outlined in paragraph 3.2 of the report.

The Committee was advised that there were still a number of major pieces of work to be completed which Baroness Beverley Hughes was overseeing, which required continuity.

Councillor Mark Roberts provided the Committee with the following statement on behalf of Stockport Council:

'This is in no way a reflection at all on the Assistant Deputy Mayor Bev Hughes to whom we have a very high regard here in Stockport, however, we are withholding our support for this specific proposal to extend the contract further.

Back in December, Councillor Mark Hunter was assured that the extension would be time limited to six months and yet here we are with another proposal to extend further.

Surely this important work reflected in the paper can be now carried out by our new Deputy Mayor Kate Green in whom we also have full confidence and therefore save additional cost.'

The Committee was advised that the detailed work requiring completion had been impacted by a number of factors beyond the GMCA's control which have resulted in delays to the completion of the work. The current position was not a reflection on the current Deputy Mayor, Police, Crime & Fire, Kate Green and was rather regarding the level of detail gone into over a long period of time by Baroness

Beverley Hughes which required continuity. It was suggested that the proposed timeline will enable the programme of work to be completed sufficiently.

The Committee was also assured that the Deputy Mayor Kate Green had been engaged and was supportive of the direction of travel.

RESOLVED/-

That the extension of Baroness Beverley Hughes' appointment as Assistant Deputy Mayor for Police, Crime and Fire on the terms outlined in paragraph 3.2, of the report be approved.

RC/14/23 GMCA Business Plan 2023-24

Andy Burnham, Mayor of Greater Manchester introduced a report providing members of the GMCA Resources Committee with the draft 2023-24 GMCA Business Plan for comment and approval.

RESOLVED/-

- 1. That the Annual GMCA Business Plan for 2023-24 be approved.
- 2. That the Business Plan be circulated to Leaders and Chief Executives.

RC/15/23 GMCA PLACE DIRECTORATE

Eamonn Boylan introduced a report seeking approval from the Committee to establish additional Delivery Manager roles as part of the Delivery Team within the GMCA Place Directorate.

RESOLVED/-

- That the Chief Executive, GMCA & TfGM be authorised to progress the establishment of two additional Delivery Manager Roles (Senior pay-scale SM7) for a period of 2 years.
- 2. That it be noted that the funding for the Delivery Manager roles has been made available from the Department of the Levelling Up, Housing and Communities (DLUHC) to support activity that aligns directly with the approach that has been adopted by the Delivery Team.