

GMCA Overview & Scrutiny Committee

Date: 27 September 2023
Subject: Overview & Scrutiny Committee Work Programme and Forward Plan of Key Decisions
Report of: Nicola Ward, Statutory Scrutiny Officer, GMCA

PURPOSE OF REPORT:

To provide an opportunity for the Committee to review their draft Work Programme for the forthcoming municipal year (Appendix A) and provide the Committee with the latest Forward Plan of Key Decisions (Appendix B) to ensure that they are informed of the forthcoming decisions to be taken by the GMCA, GM Mayor or any delegated officer or committee.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

The Committee is asked to –

1. Consider the proposed Overview & Scrutiny Work Programme for the forthcoming municipal year.
2. Use the Forward Plan of Key Decisions to identify any potential areas for further scrutiny.

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GMCA Overview and Scrutiny draft Work Programme October – December 2023

11 October – **Information briefings on Growth Locations – Andrew McIntosh**

25 October

Item	Lead member / officer	Trajectory of item	Ask of scrutiny
GM Business Board Update	Lou Cordwell (Chair of the LEP) / David Rogerson		To provide scrutiny on the work over the past year undertaken by the Local Enterprise Partnership, and the proposed work for the forthcoming year.
Greater Manchester Strategy performance monitoring	Andy Burnham / Simon Nokes / Amy Foots	6 monthly performance report	To monitor the delivery of the objectives contained within the Greater Manchester Strategy.
Violence Reduction Strategy	Kate Green / Damian Dallimore	Final sign off GMCA November	To consider the draft GM Violence Reduction Strategy

Mid November – Information briefing

22 November

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Growth Locations and Investment Zones	Bev Craig / Andrew McIntosh		To update the Committee on the current GM position regarding growth locations and investment zones.
Bee Network Vision	The Mayor / Vernon Everitt	GMCA November	To receive an update on the vision for the Bee Network.
Housing Standards / Good Landlord Charter	Ged Cooney / Steve Fyfe		To consider the work underway across GM to raise housing standards.

6 December – **Information briefing on the Greener – Mark Atherton**

13 December

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Proposed approach to the Waste Contract	Tom Ross / Paul Morgan / David Taylor	GMCA 15 December 2023	To consider the proposed approach to the future of the waste contract.
Investment Loan Fund	David Molyneux / Laura Blakey		To develop an understanding of the investment loan fund opportunities offered by the GMCA.

Forward Plan of Key Decisions : 1 September 2023 to 30 November 2023

Published on 16 August 2023

<p>What is a Forward Plan of Key Decisions?</p> <p>The Register is a published list of the key decisions which are due to be taken by the:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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 <p>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</p>	<p>What is a Key Decision?</p> <p>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:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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. 	<p>How to find out more on these proposed decisions</p> <p>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.</p> <p>For general information about the decision- making process please contact:</p> <p>Julie Connor - Secretary to the GMCA julie.connor@greatermanchester-ca.gov.uk</p>
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<p>month.</p> <p>This Register of Key Decisions has been prepared in accordance with Combined Authorities (Overview and Scrutiny Committees, Access to Information and Audit Committees) Order 2017 ('the Order').</p> <p>The Register is published on the GMCA's website www.greatermanchester-ca.gov.uk and hard copies are available at the offices of:</p> <p>Greater Manchester Combined Authority & Greater Manchester Mayor Tootal Buildings Oxford Street Manchester M1 6EU</p>	<p>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.</p>	
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Decision title	What is the decision?	Decision Maker	Planned Decision Dates	Documents to be considered	Portfolio Lead	Lead Director	Officer Contact
Transport							
Bus Franchising	To approve the award of: (i) the franchise contracts relating to bus franchising; (ii) contracts for the provision of various franchise	Chief Executive Officer GMCA & TfGM GM Mayor Greater Manchester Combined Authority	Between 1 Sep 2023 and 30 Nov 2023 Between 1 Sep 2023 and 30 Nov 2023 Between 1 Sep 2023 and 30 Nov 2023	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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	<p>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</p>						

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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						

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	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.	Chief Executive Officer GMCA & TfGM Greater Manchester Combined Authority	Between 1 Sep 2023 and 30 Nov 2023 Between 1 Sep 2023 and 30 Nov 2023	Report and recommendations	GM Mayor Andy Burnham	Chief Executive Officer GMCA & TfGM	
Bus Depot Acquisitions	To negotiate and approve the acquisition of bus depots	Chief Executive Officer GMCA & TfGM	Between 1 Sep 2023 and 29 Dec 2023	28 Delivering the Bee Network - Bus Fares Fleet	GM Mayor Andy Burnham		Steve Warrener steve.warrener@tfgm.com

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	to support bus franchising, within previously approved capital and revenue budgets for bus franchising.			Depots and CRSTS			
Bus Depot Leasing Arrangements	To agree the final terms of leases of bus depots to be granted to TfGM and the terms of all subleases of the depots	Chief Executive Officer GMCA & TfGM	Between 1 Sep 2023 and 29 Dec 2023	12 Delivering the Bee Network	GM Mayor Andy Burnham		Jacqueline Elliott Jacqueline.Elliott@tfgm.com

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	both in respect of interim leaseback arrangements to existing operators and the franchise depot subleases to be granted to the franchise bus operators.						
Bus Depot Leasing Arrangements	To complete and execute all leases of bus depots to be granted to TfGM.	Monitoring Officer GMCA	Between 1 Sep 2023 and 29 Dec 2023	12 Delivering the Bee Network	GM Mayor Andy Burnham		Jacqueline Elliott Jacqueline.Elliott@tfgm.com
Forthcoming	To approve	Bee Network	Between 1	Report with	GM Mayor	Chief	Stephen

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Changes to the Bus Network in Greater Manchester	forthcoming changes to subsidised bus services.	Committee Chief Executive Officer GMCA & TfGM	Sep 2023 and 30 Nov 2023 Between 1 Sep 2023 and 30 Nov 2023	Recommendations	Andy Burnham GM Mayor Andy Burnham	Executive Officer GMCA & TfGM	Rhodes stephen.rhodes@tfgm.com
Active Travel Programme	Approval to release funding to progress the development and delivery of cycling and walking schemes and programmes.	Greater Manchester Combined Authority	Between 1 Sep 2023 and 30 Nov 2023	Report with Recommendations	GM Mayor Andy Burnham	Chief Executive Officer GMCA & TfGM	Steve Warrener steve.warrener@tfgm.com
Local Growth Deal (1, 2 and	To grant Full or Conditional	Greater Manchester	Between 1 Sep 2023 and	Report with Recommendations	GM Mayor Andy Burnham	Chief Executive	Steve Warrener

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3) six monthly progress update	Approval and/or release funding / approve expenditure and allocate/reallocate funding across the programme for schemes within the Growth Deal 1,2,3 and/or the Transforming Cities Fund.	Combined Authority	30 Nov 2023	ons		Officer GMCA & TfGM	steve.warrener@tfgm.com
Quality Bus Transit	To approve CRSTS funds	Greater Manchester	Between 1 Sep 2023 and	Report with recommendati	GM Mayor Andy Burnham		Anthony Murden

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	for the implementing signal priority for late running buses at junctions across five Quality Bus Transit corridors.	Combined Authority Bee Network Committee	30 Nov 2023 Between 1 Sep 2023 and 30 Nov 2023	ons	GM Mayor Andy Burnham		Anthony.murden@tfgm.com
Ashton - Stockport - Quality Bus Transit	To approve CRSTS funds for the development of an Outline Business Case for the Ashton - Stockport Quality Bus	Greater Manchester Combined Authority Bee Network Committee	Between 1 Sep 2023 and 31 Oct 2023 Between 1 Sep 2023 and 31 Oct 2023	Report with recommendations	GM Mayor Andy Burnham GM Mayor Andy Burnham		Anthony Murden Anthony.murden@tfgm.com

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	Transit scheme.						
Active Travel Capital Pipeline	To approve CRSTS funding to enable continued delivery of the Active Travel pipeline.	Bee Network Committee	Between 1 Sep 2023 and 31 Dec 2023	Report with recommendations	GM Mayor Andy Burnham		Richard Nickson richard.nickson@tfgm.com
Golborne Station	To approve CRSTS funds to develop Golborne Station	Bee Network Committee	Between 1 Sep 2023 and 31 Dec 2023	Report with recommendations	GM Mayor Andy Burnham		Simon Elliott simon.elliott@tfgm.com
Oldham: Beal Valley & Broadbent	To approve CRSTS funds to develop	Bee Network Committee	Between 1 Sep 2023 and 31 Dec 2023	Report with recommendations	GM Mayor Andy Burnham		Eleanor Sykes eleanor.sykes@oldham.gov.

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Moss - Greenway Corridor	Oldham's Beal Valley & Broadbent Moss - Greenway Corridor						uk
Salford Central	To approve Growth Deal funds to deliver Salford Central station enhancement	Bee Network Committee	Between 1 Sep 2023 and 31 Dec 2023	Report with recommendations	GM Mayor Andy Burnham		Simon Elliott simon.elliott@tfgm.com
Salford Peel Green Active Travel Scheme	To approve CRSTS funds to develop Salford's Peel Green Active Travel Scheme Streets for All	Bee Network Committee	Between 1 Sep 2023 and 31 Dec 2023	Report with recommendations	GM Mayor Andy Burnham		Chris Smith chris.smith@salford.gov.uk

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	scheme.						
Trafford Bus Studies	To approve CRSTS funds for the development of an Outline Business Case for the Trafford Bus Studies scheme.	Bee Network Committee	Between 1 Sep 2023 and 31 Dec 2023	Report with recommendations	GM Mayor Andy Burnham		Anthony Murden Anthony.murden@tfgm.com
Salford Bolton Network Improvements (SBNI) contract award/funding drawdown	SBNI Salford DP7 A580 contract award/funding drawdown. SBNI Salford DP3 A666 contract	Bee Network Committee	Between 1 Oct 2023 and 31 Dec 2023	Report with recommendations	GM Mayor Andy Burnham		David Shaw david.shaw@tfgm.com

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	award/funding drawdown.						
GMCA engagement with the HS2 Phase 2b hybrid Bill	To petition against the HS2 Phase 2b hybrid Bill, and to make other representations to ensure TfGM and GMCA's key issues with the content of the Bill are fully considered and addressed.	Chief Executive Officer GMCA & TfGM	Between 1 Sep 2023 and 31 Dec 2023	Report with recommendations	GM Mayor Andy Burnham		Martin Lax martin.lax@tfgm.com
Technical Education & Skills							

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ESF Skills for Growth Commissioning	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 Sep 2023 and 30 Nov 2023	Report with recommendations	Councillor Eamonn O'Brien	Treasurer GMCA	Gemma Marsh gemma.marsh@greatermanchester-ca.gov.uk
GM Adult Skills Programme (including devolved Adult Education Budget and Free Courses)	To approve a cost of delivery exceptional payment to AEB Skills Providers for the 2022/2023 academic	Chief Executive Officer GMCA & TfGM	Between 1 Sep 2023 and 30 Nov 2023	Report with recommendations	Councillor Eamonn O'Brien		Gemma Marsh gemma.marsh@greatermanchester-ca.gov.uk

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for Jobs funding) 2022/2023 academic year update and 2023/2024 academic year forward plan	year. To note progress of the 2023/2024 Adult Education Budget commissioning process and where applicable, the selected skills providers To grant delegated authority to the GMCA						

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	<p>Treasurer to take forward the AEB commissioning , including to contract award.</p> <p>To approve the proposed indicative allocations and subsequent expenditure for the GM grant-funded further education institutions.</p>						

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	To grant delegated authority to the GMCA Treasurer to agree any minor changes that arise during discussions between each institution and GMCA.						
Award of GMCA Community Grants commission	To approve the award of the GMCA Community Grants commission to	Treasurer GMCA	Between 1 Sep 2023 and 1 Sep 2023	GMCA Community Grants - Award Report	Councillor Eamonn O'Brien		Gemma Marsh gemma.marsh@greatermanchester-ca.gov.uk

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	the winning bidder following an open and competitive process						
Greater Manchester Apprenticeships and Careers Service Procurement	Contract award to successful bidder following procurement process, to deliver the GMACS careers planning digital service.	Treasurer GMCA	Between 1 Sep 2023 and 30 Nov 2023	Report with recommendations	Councillor Eamonn O'Brien		Nicola McLeod Nicola.mcleod@greatermanchester-ca.gov.uk
Skills	To proceed	Treasurer	Between 1	National Skills	Councillor		Hannah

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Bootcamps 2023 - 2024: Phase 2 commissioning ; Sector 3 (recommissioning): Adv Manufacturing; Sector 8: Security; Sector 9: Residential Childcare	with the procurement and contracting of providers and activity relating to the GM Skills Bootcamps programme.	GMCA	Sep 2023 and 30 Sep 2023	Funding (CA report Feb 2023)	Eamonn O'Brien		Vincent hannah.vincen t@greaterman chester-ca.gov.uk
Resources and Investment							
UKSPF E22 SME Workspace -	To approve a scheme being removed from	Greater Manchester Combined	Between 1 Sep 2023 and 30 Sep 2023	Report with recommendati ons	Councillor David Molyneux		Alison Gordon alison.gordon @greatermanc

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project change	the UKSPF E22 SME workspace programme and to approve the replacement scheme.	Authority					hester-ca.gov.uk
Greater Manchester Business Funds	To conditionally approve business investments to proceed to due diligence and/or note commercial changes to existing	Greater Manchester Combined Authority	Between 1 Sep 2023 and 30 Nov 2023	Report with Recommendations	Councillor David Molyneux	Chief Executive Officer GMCA & TfGM	Kirsteen Armitage kirsteen.armitage@greatermanchestre-ca.gov.uk

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	investments, including where relevant negotiated settlements.						
UK Shared Prosperity Fund- GM Innovation Ecosystem Navigation Service	To agree the contract award for the UKSPF GM Innovation Ecosystem Navigation Service to the successful bidder, following an open and competitive procurement process.	Treasurer GMCA	Between 30 Sep 2023 and 30 Nov 2023	Report with recommendations	Councillor David Molyneux		John Wrathmell john.wrathmell@greatermanchester-ca.gov.uk

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Housing							
GM City Deal Receipts - Investment Approval Recommendations	The approval of investments funded with City Deal Receipts received from Homes England.	Greater Manchester Combined Authority	Between 1 Sep 2023 and 30 Nov 2023	Report	Councillor Gerald Cooney		Michael Walmsley Michael.Walmsley@greatermanchester-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 Sep 2023 and 30 Nov 2023	Report with recommendations	Councillor Gerald Cooney		Michael Walmsley Michael.Walmsley@greatermanchester-ca.gov.uk

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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 Sep 2023 and 30 Nov 2023	Report with Recommendations	Councillor Gerald Cooney	Chief Executive Officer GMCA & TfGM	Michael Walmsley Michael.Walmsley@greatermanchester-ca.gov.uk
Agreement to using further Greater Manchester Housing Investment Loan Fund	To agree the further use of Greater Manchester Housing Investment Loan Fund	Greater Manchester Combined Authority	Between 1 Sep 2023 and 30 Nov 2023	Report with Recommendations	Councillor Gerald Cooney	Chief Executive Officer GMCA & TfGM	Michael Walmsley Michael.Walmsley@greatermanchester-ca.gov.uk

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surpluses	(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 1 Sep 2023 and 30 Nov 2023	Report with Recommendations	Councillor Gerald Cooney	Chief Executive Officer GMCA & TfGM	Andrew McIntosh andrew.mcintosh@greatermanchester-ca.gov.uk
Integrated	To approve the	Greater	29 Sep 2023	Report with	Councillor Tom		Andrew

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Water Management Plan - Business Plan	business plan for the Integrated Water Management Plan to 31 March 2024.	Manchester Combined Authority		recommendations	Ross		McIntosh andrew.mcintosh@greatermanchester-ca.gov.uk
Equalities & Communities							
GM VCSE Fair Funding Protocol with GMCA	Enter into a Fair Funding Protocol agreement with the GM VCSE Leadership Group	Greater Manchester Combined Authority	Between 1 Sep 2023 and 31 Oct 2023	Report with recommendations	Councillor Arooj Shah		Anne Lythgoe anne.lythgoe@greatermanchester-ca.gov.uk

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Safe & Stronger Communities							
Greater Manchester Violence Reduction Strategy	Review and approve the Greater Manchester Violence Reduction Strategy.	Greater Manchester Combined Authority	24 Nov 2023	Report with recommendations	GM Deputy Mayor Kate Green		Damian Dallimore Damian.Dallimore@greatermanchester-ca.gov.uk>