# Minutes of the Meeting of the GMCA Resources Committee held on Friday 24 November 2023

# PRESENT:

Andy Burnham Mayor of Greater Manchester

Councillor Eamonn O'Brien Bury

Councillor Bev Craig Manchester

City Mayor Paul Dennett Salford

Councillor Mark Hunter Stockport

Councillor Tom Ross Trafford

#### IN ATTENDANCE:

Mayor Kate Green Deputy Mayor, Police, Crime & Fire

Councillor Nazia Rehman Wigan

# **ALSO PRESENT:**

Andrew Lightfoot GMCA Deputy Chief Executive

Gill Duckworth GMCA Solicitor & Monitoring Officer

Steve Wilson GMCA Treasurer

Julie Connor GMCA Director, Governance & Scrutiny

Kevin Lee Mayor of Greater Manchester's Office

# RC/23/23/4 Apologies

Apologies were received and noted from Councillor David Molyneaux (Wigan).

# RC/24/23/4 Chairs Announcements & Urgent Business

There were no Chairs Announcements or Urgent Business.

## RC/25/23/4 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest made in relation to any item on the agenda.

RC/26/23/4 Minutes of the GMCA Resources Committee held on 27
October 2023

#### **RESOLVED/-**

That the minutes of the meeting of the Resources Committee held on 27 October 2023 be approved as a correct record.

# RC/27/23/4 Recruitment of GMCA & TfGM Chief Executive Officer Update

Andy Burnham, Mayor of Greater Manchester, introduced a report providing the Resources Committee with an update on the work of the Appointment Panel so far, specifically the proposed Role Profile, broad timeline for recruitment and proposed remuneration for a Group Chief Executive Officer role.

He also reiterated the importance of the appointment set within the context of the Autumn Statement announcements including the single settlement, which in his view, will change the nature of the GMCA's conversations with the government, the current system and provide the ability to make decisions in a more flexible environment.

The decision to progress the appointment of a Group Chief Executive, as recommended by the recruitment agency, would enable the opportunity to look at delivering efficiencies and economies of scale across a number of core corporate functions within TfGM, Fire and GMCA and a further report will be provided to the Committee on how this work will be progressed.

It was clarified that the appointment of a Group Chief Executive Officer was not intended to create a hierarchy between the GMCA and Greater Manchester districts, the intention was to better serve the Greater Manchester districts. The Group will be those organisations at a GM level ie, GMCA, TfGM & Fire. It was felt that the role description should emphasise the need for close collaboration with the Greater Manchester districts.

Gillian Duckworth informed the Committee that, if approved, the advert for the post will go live week beginning the 27 November, with the Appointment Panel to undertake the recruitment for recommendation to the GMCA on 22 March 2023.

## **RESOLVED/-**

- 1. That the Role Profile for the Group Chief Executive Officer role be approved recognizing the need to emphasise collaboration with the GM local authorities.
- 2. That the renumeration for the role be approved at a range £220k £250k.
- 3. That the broad timeframe for the recruitment process be noted.
- 4. That it be noted that the Appointment Panel will undertake the recruitment and make a final recommendation for appointment directly to the GMCA meeting in March 2024.