

Housing Planning and Environment Overview and Scrutiny

Date: 8th October 2020

Subject: Greater Manchester Transport Strategy 2040, Our Five-Year Delivery Plan and Local Implementation Plans

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

To set out the 2040 Transport Strategy documents that will be proposed for endorsement and approval through meetings in October, along with timescales and key milestones.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

The Committee is requested to note and comment on the approach set out in this report.

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Equalities Implications:

The GM Transport Strategy 2040 documents aim to contribute to delivering sustainable economic growth, improve quality of life and protect the environment. The original GM Transport Strategy 2040 was the subject of an Integrated Assessment which includes an Equalities Assessment. The Our Five Year Delivery Plan is going through the Integrated Assessment process.

Climate Change Impact Assessment and Mitigation Measures –

The GM Transport Strategy supports Greater Manchester’s ambition to be carbon neutral by 2038.

Risk Management:

N/A

Legal Considerations:

N/A

Financial Consequences – Revenue:

There are no revenue funding consequences identified. Our Five Year Delivery Plan will include a funding summary statement

Financial Consequences – Capital:

There are no capital funding consequences identified. Our Five Year Delivery Plan will include a funding summary statement

Number of attachments to the report?

N/A

BACKGROUND PAPERS: <https://tfgm.com/2040>

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- Disclose any facts or matter on which the report or an important part of the report is based;
- Which have been relied on to a material extent in preparing the report

TRACKING/PROCESS		[All sections to be completed]
Does this report relate to a major strategic decision, as set out in the GMCA Constitution		Yes
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	Overview & Scrutiny Committee	
9 th October 2020	8 th October 2020	

1 Introduction

- 1.1 Alongside work to prepare a refreshed Greater Manchester Strategy (GMS) and the next version of the Greater Manchester Spatial Framework (GMSF), Transport for Greater Manchester (TfGM) has been working with the GMCA, the ten Greater Manchester councils and the Greater Manchester Mayor to prepare new, and updated, transport strategy documents that cover our entire city-region.
- 1.2 This work includes a refreshed version of our long-term, statutory local transport plan - the Greater Manchester Transport Strategy 2040 - and a final version of Our Five-Year Delivery Plan (2020-2025) which sets out the practical actions planned to deliver the Strategy over the next 5 years. In addition, ten new Local Implementation Plans have also been prepared (one for each Greater Manchester council).

2 The Greater Manchester Transport Strategy 2040

- 2.1 First published in February 2017, the Greater Manchester Transport Strategy 2040 (hereafter referred to as the “2040 Transport Strategy”) is our city-region’s statutory transport plan. Over three years after the Strategy was first published, its 2040 Vision - for Greater Manchester to have ***‘World class connections that support long-term, sustainable economic growth and access to opportunity for all’*** – remains highly relevant. The steps that need to be taken to achieve this Vision have evolved significantly, however.
- 2.2 The initial version of the 2040 Transport Strategy made clear that we would ‘review our Strategy on a regular basis to respond to changing trends and new opportunities and priorities’. The Strategy has therefore undergone a ‘light touch’ policy refresh to reflect work undertaken, and the changed context, since 2017.
- 2.3 In particular, the refreshed 2040 Transport Strategy will include reference to: the “Right-Mix” ambition for at least 50% of all journeys to be made by active travel and public transport by 2040; details of the GM Mayor’s ‘Our Network’ plan to create an integrated, modern and accessible transport network; an increased emphasis on the importance of cycling and walking; the climate emergency declared by GMCA and all ten councils; and the development of the GM Clean Air Plan.
- 2.4 The document has also been updated to reflect the contemporary devolution agenda, including publication of the Bus Reform business case and GM Rail Prospectus; ongoing work to develop our 2040 sub-strategies including: Streets for All, City Centre Transport Strategy, Local Bus Strategy, Rapid Transit Strategy, Freight Strategy; and further development of the Greater Manchester Spatial Framework, including the growing emphasis placed on regenerating town centres.
- 2.5 The refreshed 2040 Transport Strategy will be published in early November, subject to its approval by the GMCA.

3 Our Five-Year Delivery Plan

- 3.1 The long-term approach to planning our transport network, set out in the 2040 Transport Strategy, is underpinned by a series of five-year Delivery Plans. The first Delivery Plan (2016-2017 to 2021-2022) was published in 2017, alongside the 2040 Transport Strategy.
- 3.2 An updated, draft Delivery Plan was published for consultation – alongside the first version of the GMSF - in January 2019. A final version of this document has now been prepared for GMCA approval.
- 3.3 The Five-Year Delivery Plan will set out the practical actions planned, over the next 5 years, to deliver the 2040 Transport Strategy and achieve the transport ambitions of the GMCA and the Mayor, in parallel with the development of the GMSF. Together, these documents offer an integrated approach to transport and land use planning, by identifying the strategic transport interventions required to deliver the scale of growth set out in the GMSF.
- 3.4 The Delivery Plan will also help to inform the continued development of the Greater Manchester Infrastructure Programme (GMIP), by providing details of GM’s updated transport asks of government when it comes to funding, powers and functions.
- 3.5 The Five-Year Delivery Plan supports the implementation of “Our Network”, a ten-year plan to create an integrated, modern and accessible transport network for Greater Manchester. It brings together different modes of public transport - bus, tram, rail, tram-train - and cycling and walking, in an integrated, easy-to-use system with seamless connections, and simplified ticketing and fares. The Delivery Plan document also provides updates on Clean Air Plan proposals; Streets for All scheme delivery; the Bee Network and measures to support bus and rail reform.

4 Local Implementation Plans

- 4.1 Our Five-Year Delivery Plan will be supported by ten Local Implementation Plans (LIPs) covering the period 2020 to 2025. Each of the ten councils that make up Greater Manchester will have its own LIP. The LIPs are designed to:
 - Complement the 2040 Transport Strategy and Our Five-Year Delivery Plan, providing details of how their outcomes will be achieved locally in each council area, focusing particularly on supporting local trips within neighbourhoods and to local centres;
 - Support wider GM and council strategy and policy documents (e.g. Local Plans, town centre masterplans, GM Clean Air Plan, GMSF);
 - Summarise key local transport issues and opportunities in each local authority, providing an added layer of local detail that is not provided in the 2040 Transport Strategy document.
- 4.2 It is also intended that the LIPs will enable us to better articulate the local transport interventions that need to be delivered or developed in the short term, to support Right-Mix and Carbon Reduction targets, against which future local transport and minor works funding is allocated for local delivery.

- 4.3 The LIPs will be included in an appendix to the final version of Our Five-Year Delivery Plan. They will be 'live' documents for a period of time and will be updated as councils develop and publish transport plans and strategies, or as new schemes are developed or delivered.

5 Timescales and key milestones

- 5.1 Following this meeting, it is intended that final versions of 2040 Strategy, Delivery Plan and LIPs will be reported to the 31 October meeting of GMCA for approval.

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