

DATE: 24 June 2022

SUBJECT: Review of GMCA Constitution

REPORT OF: Liz Treacy, GMCA Monitoring Officer

PURPOSE OF REPORT

To report the Monitoring Officer's review of the GMCA's Constitution and recommend amendments.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

The GMCA is requested to:

- 1. Adopt the revised constitution accompanying this report as the Constitution of the GMCA.
- 2. Authorise the Monitoring Officer to make any changes of a typographical nature to the Constitution.

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BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

GMCA Constitution

Equalities Implications – none arising directly out of this report

Climate Change Impact Assessment and Mitigation Measures - none arising directly out of this report

Risk Management – none arising directly out of this report

Legal Considerations – the Constitution requires an annual review which this report satisfies

Financial Consequences – none arising directly out of this report

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Number of attachments included in the report: none

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1. The Monitoring Officer is required to monitor and review the operation of the GMCA's Constitution and, where appropriate, to propose changes to the Constitution to the GMCA for approval.
- 1.2. The Monitoring Officer has carried out such a review and recommends a revised version of the GMCA Constitution for approval. New wording appears in tracked changes in the revised version in the GMCA Draft Constitution 2022.pdf (greatermanchester-ca.gov.uk)
- 1.3. There have been no new statutory orders conferring functions on the GMCA or orders amending existing statutory orders since the last review.

2. PART 3 - RESPONSIBILITY FOR FUNCTIONS

- 2.1. The Scheme of Delegation of Functions to Chief Officers at section G has been amended to include reference to the statutory role of the Treasurer under section 73 of the Local Government Act 1985.
- 2.2. An additional delegation has been included to the Treasurer in relation the award of grants.

3. PART 6: FINANCIAL PROCEDURES

- 3.1. Part 6A Financial Regulations have been amended to reflect the revised CIPFA Financial Management Code.
- 3.2. Part 6B Contract Procurement Rules have been amended to include provisions as to procedures for the award of grants, and the monitoring and evaluation of grant programmes.

4. PART 7: CODE OF CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

4.1. The Code of Corporate Governance has been updated to reflect current arrangements.

5. PART 8: MEMBER ALLOWANCES

5.1. Allowances in Part 8 have been updated to reflect indexation

6. FUTURE REVISIONS

- 6.1. Further revisions to the Constitution are likely to be required during the municipal year as a consequence of:
 - 6.1.1. the integration of Local Enterprise Partnership functions within the functions of the GMCA
 - 6.1.2. the review of GMCA Scrutiny

7. RECOMMENDATIONS

7.1. Recommendations are set out at the beginning of this report.