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Date: **24 February 2017**

Subject: Forward Plan of Strategic Decisions for the GMCA

Report of: Julie Connor, Head of Greater Manchester Integrated

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 At their meeting on 24 June 2011, the GMCA agreed procedures for developing a Forward Plan of Strategic Decisions for the Authority, in line with the requirements of the GMCA's constitution. The latest such plan is attached as the Appendix to this report.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

2.1 GMCA members are invited to note, comment and suggest any changes they would wish to make on the latest Forward Plan of Strategic Decisions for the GMCA; attached to this report.

3. FORWARD PLAN: CONSTITUTIONAL REQUIREMENTS

- 3.1 In summary the Secretary of the GMCA is required to:-
 - prepare a plan covering 4 months, starting on the first day of the month
 - to refresh this plan monthly
 - to publish the plan fourteen days before it would come in to effect
 - state in the plan
 - (i) the issue on which a major strategic decision is to be made;
 - (ii) the date on which, or the period within which, the major strategic decision will be taken;
 - (iii) how anyone can make representations on the matter and the date by which any such representations must be made; and
 - (iv) a list of the documents to be submitted when the maconsidered

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The constitution is also quite specific about the matters which would need to be included within the Forward Plan:-

- any matter likely to result in the GMCA incurring significant expenditure (over £1 million), or the making of significant savings; or
- any matter likely to be significant in terms of its effects on communities living or working in the area of the Combined Authority.

plus the following more specific requirements:-

- 1. a sustainable community strategy;
- 2. a local transport plan;
- 3. approval of the capital programme of the GMCA and TfGM and approving new transport schemes to be funded by the Greater Manchester Transport Fund;
- 4. other plans and strategies that the GMCA may wish to develop;
- 5. the preparation of a local economic assessment
- 6. the development or revision of a multi-area agreement,
- 7. the approval of the budget of the GMCA;
- 8. the approval of borrowing limits, the treasury management strategy and the investment strategy;
- 9. the setting of a transport levy;
- 10. arrangements to delegate the functions or budgets of any person to the GMCA:
- 11. the amendment of the Rules of Procedure of the GMCA;
- 12. any proposals in relation to road user charging
- 3.3 All the matters at 1-12 above require 8 members of the GMCA to vote in favour, except those on road user charging, which require a unanimous vote in favour
- 3.4 The attached plan therefore includes all those items currently proposed to be submitted to the GMCA over the next 4 months which fit in with these criteria. GMCA members should be aware that:-

- Only those items considered to fit in with the above criteria are included. It is not a complete list of all items which will be included on GMCA agendas
- Items listed may move dependent on the amount of preparatory work recorded and external factors such as where maters are dependent on Government decisions; and
- In some cases matters are joint decisions of the GMCA & AGMA Executive Board.

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FORWARD PLAN OF STRATEGIC DECISIONS 1 March 2017 – 30 June 2017

The Plan contains details of Key Decisions currently planned to be taken by the Greater Manchester Combined Authority; or Chief Officers (as defined in the constitution of the GMCA) in the period between 1 March and 30 June 2016 2017.

Please note: Dates shown are the earliest anticipated and decisions may be later if circumstances change.

If you wish to make representations in connection with any decisions please contact the contact officer shown; or the offices of the Greater Manchester Integrated Support Team (at Manchester City Council, P.O. Box 532, Town Hall, Manchester, M60 2LA, 0161-234 3124; info@agma.gov.uk) before the date of the decision.

Subject	Contact Officer	Description	Anticipated Date of Decision
31 March 2017			
Northern Powerhouse	Portfolio Lead: Cllr Richard Leese Portfolio Lead Officer: Sir Howard Bernstein Contact Officer: Simon Nokes	Progress of work	31 March 2017
GM Growth Deal Transport Update	Portfolio Lead: Cillr Richard Leese Portfolio Lead Officer: Jon Lamonte Contact Officer: Steve Warrener	6 monthly Update	31 March 2017

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Salford Bolton Network Investment Programme	Portfolio Lead: Tony Lloyd Portfolio Lead Officer: Jon Lamonte Contact Officer: Steve Warrener	Approval for Salford Delivery Package 1	31 March 2017	
GM Collaborative Working in delivery of with Highways Services	Portfolio Lead: Tony Lloyd Portfolio Lead Officer: Jon Lamonte Contact Officer: Steve Warrener	Shared Service	31 March 2017	
Highways Funding Allocations	Portfolio Lead: Tony lloyd Portfolio Lead Officer: Jon Lamonte Contact Officer: Simon Warburton	Update	31 March 2017	
Greater Manchester sign up to World Health Organisation Breather Clean Campaign	Portfolio Lead: Tony ILoyd Portfolio Lead Officer: Jon Lamonte Contact Officer: Steve Warrener	Proposal to sign up to the campaign	31 March 2017	
To be confirmed				
Stations Investment	Portfolio Lead Officer: Jon Lamonte Contact Officer: Steve Warrener	Programme and Asset Management – Proposal for Transfer	To be confirmed	

Subject	Contact Officer	Description	Anticipated Date of Decision
Wigan Interchange	Portfolio Lead Officer: Jon Lamonte Contact Officer: Steve Warrener	Full Approval	May 2017
Stockport Bridge Interchange	Portfolio Lead Portfolio Lead Officer: Jon Lamonte Contact Officer: Steve Warrener	Full Approval	July 2017
Rail Industry Funding Submissions for CP6 (2019 – 2024)	Portfolio Lead: Portfolio Lead Officer: Jon Lamonte Contact Officer: Jon Lamonte	To present the priority list of future rail schemes to be submitted into the industry control period mechanism with a view to securing funding.	To be confirmed
Greater Manchester City Deal: Homes for Communities Agency Receipts	Portfolio Lead: Cllr Richard Farnell Portfolio Lead Officer: Eamonn Boylan Contact Officer: Bill Enevoldson	Proposed Strategy for equity investment	To be confirmed

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Intermediary Body Status	Portfolio Lead: Cllr Kieran Quinn Portfolio Lead Officer: Simon Nokes Contact Officer: Alison Gordon	Update on progress of discussions with Government	To be confirmed
Greater Manchester Housing Fund	Portfolio Lead: Cllr Richard Farnell Portfolio Lead Officer: Eamonn Boylan Contact Officer: Bill Enevoldson	Specific housing requirements and opportunities to bridge the funding gap	To be confirmed
Bus Franchising	Portfolio Lead: Portfolio Lead Officer: Jon Lamonte Contact Officer: Steve Warrener	Consultation and progress with legislation	To be confirmed