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 matter is considered
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 matters are dependent on Government decisions; and

• In some cases matters are joint decisions of the GMCA & AGMA Executive Board.

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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 February and 31 May 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.

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Officer: Jon Lamonte  
Contact Officer: Steve Warrener | Approval for Salford Delivery Package 1 | 31 March 2017 |
| **Tameside Interchange** | **Portfolio Lead:** Tony Lloyd  
Officer: Jon Lamonte  
Contact Officer: Steve Warrener | Full Approval | 31 March 2017 |
| **To be confirmed** | **Section 48 Grants** | Proposals for a new Funding Programme | 24 February 2017 |
| **Portfolio Leader:** Councillor Alex Ganotis  
Portfolio Lead Officer: Donna Hall  
Contact Officer: Sue Parkinson | | |
| **Apprenticeship programme** | **Portfolio Lead:** Cllr Sean Anstee  
Portfolio Lead Officer: Theresa Grant  
Contact Officer: Gemma Marsh | GM Public Sector | To be confirmed |
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Portfolio Lead Officer: Eamonn Boylan
Contact Officer: Bill Enevoldson | Proposed Strategy for equity investment                                         | To be confirmed               |
| 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              |
| GM Collaborative Working with Highways                                  | Portfolio Lead: Tony Lloyd
Portfolio Lead Officer: Jon Lamonte
Contact Officer: Steve Warrener                                           | Shared Service                                                               | To be confirmed              |
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Contact Officer: Steve Warrener                                                 | Full Approval                                    | To be confirmed              |
| Bus Franchising               | **Portfolio Lead:** Tony Lloyd  
Officer: Jon Lamonte  
Contact Officer: Steve Warrener                                                 | Consultation and progress with legislation       | To be confirmed              |