
Meeting of Transport for Greater Manchester Committee

Date: Friday 12 July 2013

Time: 10:30 am

Venue: Main Hall, Level 2, Mechanics' Institute, 103 Princess Street
(Major Street Entrance) Manchester M1 6DD

Group Meetings

Labour: 9.30 am Woods Room, Level 2, Mechanics' Institute

Conservative: 9.30 am Purcell Room Level 2, Mechanics' Institute

Lib Dem: 9.30 am Dean Room Level 2, Mechanics' Institute

Membership of the Committee:

Councillors: Ahmed, Aldred, Bayley, Bellis, Bradbury, Bray, Briggs, Chadwick, Clayton, Colledge, Cordingley, Corris, Dean, Dickinson, Dillon, Duckworth, Fender, Fitzpatrick, Garrido, Godson, Grimshaw, Harkin, Holland, Jones, Paul, Rawlins, Reilly, Robinson, Smethurst, Walters, Warner, Wild and Wright.

Transport for Greater Manchester Committee is a Joint Committee of the Greater Manchester Combined Authority and the 10 Greater Manchester District Councils.

AGENDA

PART A

**Item Section 1 – Standing Items
No**

- 1. Apologies For Absence**
- 2. Chair’s Announcements and Urgent Business (if any) at the discretion of the Chair**
- 3. Declarations of Interest** in any contract or matter to be discussed.

(If any Member has a personal/prejudicial interest please complete the form enclosed and hand to the Committee Administrator at the beginning of the meeting.)

4. Minutes

To consider the approval as a correct record, the Minutes of the Annual and Ordinary meetings of the Committee that were held on 14 June 2013.

5. Minutes from Sub Committees

- a. Bus Network and TfGM Services Sub Committee – 21 June 2013**
- b. Metrolink and Rail Networks Sub Committee – 28 June 2013**
- c. Capital Projects and Policy Sub Committee – 5 July 2013** **To Follow**

6. Forward Look

Section 2 - TfGMC Recommendations for Further Approval by GMCA

There are no reports requiring further approval by GMCA

Section 3 - Items for Resolution by TfGMC

7. Appointment of TfGMC Cycling Champion

To seek a nomination of a Member to be the TfGMC Cycling Champion 2013/14

8. Appointment to Ring and Ride Steering Group

To seek nominations to the Rochdale Ring and Ride Steering Group.

Section 4 - Items for Information

9. Revenue Budget Monitoring 2013/14

10. Deansgate Castlefield Tram Stop – Presentation

11. Exclusion of Press and Public

That, under section 100 (A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 the press and public should be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that this involves the likely disclosure of exempt information, as set out in paragraphs 1, 2 and 3 Part 1, Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 and that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

The Committee is recommended to agree the necessary resolution excluding the public from the meeting during consideration of this item.

Section 5 - Items for Resolution by TfGMC

12. DfT Clean Bus Technology Fund

13. Property Disposal

Further Information

For copies of papers and further information on this meeting please refer to the website www.tfgmc.gov.uk

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This agenda was issued on **4 July 2013** on behalf of Sir Howard Bernstein, Clerk to the Joint Committee and Donna Hall, Secretary to the Joint Committee, c/o PO Box 532, Town Hall, Albert Square, Manchester, M60 2LA.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE TRANSPORT FOR GREATER MANCHESTER COMMITTEE, HELD ON 14 JUNE 2013

Present: Councillors Ahmed, Aldred, Bayley, Bellis, Bradbury, Bray, Briggs, Clayton, Colledge, Cordingley, Corris, Chadwick, Dean, Dickinson, Dillon, Duckworth, Fender, Fitzpatrick, Garrido, Godson, Grimshaw, Holland, Jones, Paul, Rawlins, Reilly, Robinson, Smethurst, Walters, Warner, Wild and Wright.

Apology: Councillor Harkin.

TfGMC13/01 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR OF TfGMC FOR 2013/14

Nominations were sought for the appointment of Chair of TfGMC for 2013/14.

A nomination for the appointment of Councillor Andrew Fender as Chair of TfGMC was moved and seconded.

Resolved/-

That Councillor Andrew Fender be re-appointed as Chair of TfGMC for the 2013/14 municipal year.

Councillor Fender in the Chair*TfGMC13/02 CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS AND URGENT BUSINESS****(a) Cycling Champion for TfGMC**

The Chair explained that given the significant amount of cycling projects and initiatives taking place and planned, TfGMC was to appoint a Cycling Champion for such schemes. It was noted that the Terms of Reference for this role had been circulated to Members and that nominations for a Cycling Champion Member were to be sought at the next meeting of the Committee.

Resolved/-

- 1.) That the Terms of Reference for the TfGMC Cycling Champion were received and noted;
- 2.) That nominations for the TfGMC Cycling Champion be sought at the next meeting of this Committee.

(b) Group Photograph

The Chair reminded Members that the TfGMC Members group photograph was to be taken at the rise of the meeting.

TfGMC13/03 APPOINTMENT OF THREE VICE CHAIRS 2013/14

The Chair sought nominations for three Vice Chairs of TfGMC for the 2013/14 municipal year.

Nominations were received for Councillors Roger Jones, Mark Aldred and Doreen Dickinson.

These nominations were moved and seconded.

Resolved/-

That Councillors Roger Jones, Mark Aldred and Doreen Dickinson, each be appointed as a Vice Chair of the Transport for Greater Manchester Committee, for the 2013/14 Municipal Year.

TfGMC13/04 WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS AND A VOTE OF THANKS TO RETIRING MEMBERS

The Chair referred to the following changes in membership of the Committee:

District	New Members	Retiring Members
Bolton	Cllr Guy Harkin (Lab)	Cllr Champak Mistry (Lab)
Bury	Cllr Joan Grimshaw (Lab)	Cllr Ken Audin (Lab)
Manchester	no change	no change
Oldham	Cllr Norman Briggs (Lab)	Cllr Eddie Moores (Lab)
Rochdale	Cllr Shakil Ahmed (Lab)	Cllr Surinder Biant (Lab)
Salford	no change	no change
Stockport	no change	no change
Tameside	Cllr Warren Bray (Lab)	Cllr Alan Whitehead (Lab)
Trafford	Cllr Matthew Colledge (Con)	Cllr Brian Rigby (Con)
Wigan	no change	no change

The Chair extended a welcome to the new members and also expressed his appreciation for the contribution of retiring members. Particular thanks were offered to Councillor Alan Whitehead who had been a long standing member on TfGMC, GMITA and GMPTA and had served as Chair to a number of Committees and Sub Committees during that time. Members wished to place on record the valued contribution that Councillor Whitehead had provided.

Resolved/

That the new members to TfGMC be welcomed and that the vote of thanks to retiring Members be supported.

TfGMC13/05 MEMBERSHIP OF TRANSPORT FOR GREATER MANCHESTER COMMITTEE 2013/14

The Committee noted the following membership of the Committee, as appointed by the 10 district Councils for the 2013/14 Municipal Year:-

Bolton: Cllr David Chadwick (Lab)
Cllr Guy Harkin (Lab)
Cllr Paul Wild (Con)

Bury: Cllr Noel Bayley (Lab)
Cllr Joan Grimshaw (Lab)

Manchester: Cllr Mark Clayton (LD)
Cllr Andrew Fender (Lab)
Cllr Chris Paul (Lab)
Cllr Tracey Rawlins (Lab)
Cllr Roy Walters (Lab)

Oldham: Cllr Norman Briggs (Lab)
Cllr Peter Dean (Lab)
Cllr John Dillon (LD)

Rochdale: Cllr Shakil Ahmed (Lab)
Cllr Ian Duckworth (Con)
Cllr Alan Godson (Lab)

Salford: Cllr Roger Jones (Lab)
Cllr Robin Garrido (Con)
Cllr Barry Warner (Lab)

Stockport: Cllr Paul Bellis (Con)
Cllr Stuart Corris (LD)
Cllr Dean Fitzpatrick (Lab)
Cllr Craig Wright (LD)

Tameside: Cllr Warren Bray (Lab)
Cllr Doreen Dickinson (Con)
Cllr Peter Robinson (Lab)

Trafford: Cllr Matthew Colledge Con)
Cllr Michael Cordingley Lab)
Cllr June Reilly (Con)

Wigan: Cllr Mark Aldred (Lab)
Cllr Norman Bradbury (Ind)
Cllr Patricia Holland (Lab)
Cllr Eunice Smethurst (Lab)

TfGMC13/06 MINUTES OF THE 2012 ANNUAL MEETING

The Minutes of the proceedings of the 2012 Annual Meeting of the TfGMC, held on 15 June 2012 were submitted

Resolved/-

That the Minutes of the proceedings of the Annual Meeting of TfGMC, held on 15 June 2012, be approved as a correct record.

TfGMC13/07 TfGMC RULES OF PROCEDURE

Resolved/-

That the Rules of Procedure for Transport for Greater Manchester Committee, as set out in Section 2 of the Greater Manchester Combined Authority Operating Agreement, be noted.

TfGMC13/08 TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR SUB COMMITTEES OF THE TRANSPORT FOR GREATER MANCHESTER COMMITTEE

Members considered the Terms of Reference for the Capital Projects and Policy; the Bus Network and TfGM Services; and the Metrolink and Rail Networks Sub Committees.

Resolved/-

- 1.) That the Terms of Reference for the Capital Projects and Policy Sub Committee be approved, as set out in the report;
- 2.) That the Terms of Reference for the Bus Network and TfGM Services Sub Committee be approved, as set out in the report;
- 3.) That the Terms of Reference for Metrolink and Rail Networks Sub Committee be approved, as set out in the report.

TfGMC13/09 SUB COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS AND SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS FOR 2013/14; AND THE APPOINTMENT OF THREE CHAIRS AND DEPUTY CHAIRS OF SUB COMMITTEES

Consideration was given to the appointment of the Chair and Deputy Chair and Members of each of Capital Projects and Policy; the Bus Network and TfGM Services; and the Metrolink and Rail Networks Sub Committees.

Resolved/-

That the membership to Sub Committees for 2013/14 be approved as follows:-

(a) Capital Projects & Policy; (15 Members) 10 Lab, 3 Con, 2 LD

Cllr Matthew Colledge	Con	(Trafford)
Cllr Michael Cordingley	Lab	(Trafford)
Cllr Peter Dean	Lab	(Oldham)
Cllr Doreen Dickinson	Con	(Tameside)
Cllr John Dillon	LD	(Oldham)
Cllr Andrew Fender	Lab	(Manchester)
Cllr Dean Fitzpatrick	Lab	(Stockport)
Cllr Robin Garrido	Con	(Salford)
Cllr Joan Grimshaw	Lab	(Bury)
Cllr Alan Godson	Lab	(Rochdale)
Cllr Guy Harkin	Lab	(Bolton)
Cllr Roger Jones (Chair)	Lab	(Salford)
Cllr Peter Robinson	Lab	(Tameside)
Cllr Eunice Smethurst (Deputy Chair)	Lab	(Wigan)
Cllr Craig Wright	LD	(Stockport)

Substitutes:

Cllr Noel Bayley	Lab	(Bury)
Cllr Warren Bray	Lab	(Tameside)
Cllr Norman Briggs	Lab	(Oldham)
Cllr Mark Clayton	LD	(Manchester)
Cllr Stuart Corris	LD	(Stockport)
Cllr Patricia Holland	Lab	(Wigan)
Cllr Chris Paul	Lab	(Manchester)
Cllr June Reilly	Con	(Trafford)
Cllr Paul Wild	Con	(Bolton)

(b) Bus Network and TfGM Services Sub Committee 2013/14 (13 members) - 8 Lab, 3 Con, 2 LD.

Cllr Shakil Ahmed	Lab	(Rochdale)
Cllr Mark Aldred (Chair)	Lab	(Wigan)
Cllr Noel Bayley	Lab	(Bury)
Cllr Paul Bellis	Con	(Stockport)
Cllr Warren Bray	Lab	(Tameside)
Cllr Mark Clayton	LD	(Manchester)
Cllr Stuart Corris	LD	(Stockport)
Cllr Peter Dean	Lab	(Oldham)
Cllr Chris Paul	Lab	(Manchester)
Cllr June Reilly	Con	(Trafford)
Cllr Roy Walters	Lab	(Manchester)
Cllr Barry Warner (Deputy Chair)	Lab	(Salford)
Cllr Paul Wild	Con	(Bolton)

Substitutes:

Cllr David Chadwick	Lab	(Bolton)
Cllr Doreen Dickinson	Con	(Tameside)
Cllr John Dillon	LD	(Oldham)
Cllr Ian Duckworth	Con	(Rochdale)
Cllr Andrew Fender	Lab	(Manchester)
Cllr Guy Harkin	Lab	(Bolton)
Cllr Tracey Rawlins	Lab	(Manchester)
Cllr Craig Wright	LD	(Stockport)

(c) Metrolink & Rail Networks. (13 members) - 8 Lab, 3 Con, 2 LD.

Cllr Norman Briggs	Lab	(Oldham)
Cllr David Chadwick	Lab	(Bolton)
Cllr Matthew Colledge	Con	(Trafford)
Cllr Michael Cordingley	Lab	(Trafford)
Cllr Doreen Dickinson (Chair)	Con	(Tameside)
Cllr John Dillon	LD	(Oldham)
Cllr Ian Duckworth	Con	(Rochdale)
Cllr Dean Fitzpatrick	Lab	(Stockport)
Cllr Alan Godson	Lab	(Rochdale)

Cllr Patricia Holland (Deputy Chair)	Lab	(Wigan)
Cllr Tracey Rawlins	Lab	(Manchester)
Cllr Peter Robinson	Lab	(Tameside)
Cllr Craig Wright	LD	(Stockport)

Substitutes:

Cllr Mark Aldred	Lab	(Wigan)
Cllr Paul Bellis	Con	(Stockport)
Cllr Mark Clayton	LD	(Manchester)
Cllr Stuart Corris	LD	(Stockport)
Cllr Robin Garrido	Con	(Salford)
Cllr Joan Grimshaw	Lab	(Bury)
Cllr Roger Jones	Lab	(Salford)
Cllr Eunice Smethurst	Lab	(Wigan)

TfGMC13/10 PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS 2013/14

Members considered the Programme of TfGMC and Sub Committee meetings for 2013/2014.

A request was made for the Bus Network and TfGM Services Sub Committee, scheduled to take place on 2 August, to now take place on Friday 26 July 2013.

A Member highlighted a possible clash with next year's local elections and therefore the proposed TfGMC Annual Meeting on 13 June 2014 should be a provisional date.

Resolved/-

That the following programme of meetings be agreed for 2013/14:-

(a) Transport for Greater Manchester Committee

- Friday 14 June 2013 (AGM)
- Friday 12 July 2013
- Friday 16 August 2013 (subject to business)
- Friday 13 September 2013
- Friday 11 October 2013
- Friday 15 November 2013
- Friday 6 December 2013
- Friday 17 January 2014
- Friday 14 February 2014
- Friday 14 March 2014
- Friday 11 April 2014
- Friday 13 June 2014 (AGM) (provisional)

(b) Capital Projects and Policy Sub Committee

- Friday 5 July 2013
- Friday 6 September 2013
- Friday 8 November 2013
- Friday 24 January 2014
- Friday 7 March 2014
- Friday 4 April 2014

(c) Bus Network and TfGM Services Sub Committee

- Friday 21 June 2013
- Friday 26 July 2013
- Friday 4 October 2013
- Friday 22 November 2013
- Friday 10 January 2014
- Friday 21 March 2014

(d) Metrolink and Rail Networks Sub Committee:

- Friday 28 June 2013
- Friday 20 September 2013
- Friday 1 November 2013
- Friday 20 December 2013
- Friday 7 February 2014
- Friday 25 April 2014

TfGMC13/11 Nominations to External Bodies 2013/14

Members were asked to consider the following appointments to external bodies for 2013/14.

(a) ITA Special Interest Group (SIG)

Resolved/-

That Councillors Andrew Fender, Roger Jones and Doreen Dickinson be appointed to the ITA Special Interest Group (SIG) for 2013/14.

(b) CLES Board

Resolved/-

That Councillor Chris Paul be appointed to the CLES Board for 2013/14.

(c) Greater Manchester Museum of Transport Advisory Panel

Resolved/-

That Councillors John Dillon, Robin Garrido, Alan Godson, Patricia Holland and Eunice Smethurst be appointed to the Greater Manchester Museum of Transport Advisory Panel for 2013/14.

(d) Ring and Ride Steering Groups

Members considered the following appointments to the Ring and Ride Steering Groups for 2013/14:-

Bolton	Councillor David Chadwick,
Bury	Councillor Noel Bayley,
Manchester	Councillor Roy Walters,
Oldham	Councillor Peter Dean,
Rochdale	Councillor to be determined
Salford	Councillor Barry Warner,
Stockport	Councillor Dean Fitzpatrick
Tameside	Councillor Peter Robinson,
Trafford	Councillor Michael Cordingley,
Wigan	Councillor Patricia Holland.

A Member moved an amendment to for Councillor Stuart Corris to remain as the Ring and Ride TfGMC representative from Stockport.

The amendment was put to the vote and declared lost.

Members asked for a schedule of Ring and Ride Steering Group meeting to be circulated.

Resolved/-

That the appointments to the Ring and Ride steering Groups for 2013/14 be approved as set out in the preamble above.

**MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE
ORDINARY MEETING OF THE TRANSPORT
FOR GREATER MANCHESTER COMMITTEE,
HELD ON 14 JUNE 2013**

Present: Councillor Fender (in the Chair)

Councillors Ahmed, Aldred, Bayley, Bellis, Bradbury, Bray, Briggs, Clayton, Colledge, Cordingley, Corris, Chadwick, Dean, Dickinson, Dillon, Duckworth, Fender, Fitzpatrick, Garrido, Godson, Grimshaw, Holland, Jones, Paul, Rawlins, Reilly, Robinson, Smethurst, Walters, Warner, Wild and Wright.

Apology: Councillor Harkin

TfGMC13/12 CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS AND URGENT BUSINESS**(a) Metrolink Services to East Didsbury**

The Chair welcomed the new Metrolink services to East Didsbury which has been well received by users and had attracted a large amount of positive press coverage.

TfGMC13/13 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest made by any Member regarding any item on the agenda.

TfGMC13/14 MINUTES

The Minutes of the proceedings of the TfGMC meeting, held on 12 April 2013, were submitted.

With regard to Minute TfGMC12/113, in response to an enquiry by a Member officers clarified the governance reform process for GMATT and GMATL as approved by GMCA. Officer agreed to speak to the Member concerned outside of the meeting

Resolved/-

That the Minutes of the proceedings of the TfGMC meeting, held on 12 April 2013 be approved as a correct record.

TfGMC13/15 MINUTES FROM SUB COMMITTEES**a.) Capital Projects and Policy Sub Committee - 19 April 2013**

The Minutes of the proceedings of the Capital Projects and Policy Sub Committee, held on 19 April 2013, were submitted.

With regard to Minute CPP/12/46, *Metrolink Service Patterns Through Victoria Stop During Construction*, a Member noted the potential implications stemming from the works at Victoria Station may have on the Museum for Transport shuttle bus service. In response, officers undertook to speak to the Member concerned away from the meeting.

Resolved/-

That the Minutes of the Capital Projects and Policy Sub Committee held on 19 April 2013, be noted.

b.) Metrolink and Rail Networks Sub Committee – 26 April 2013

Resolved/-

That the Minutes of the Metrolink and Rail Networks Sub Committee held on 26 April 2013 be noted.

TfGMC13/16 FORWARD LOOK

Members received a report that presented them with a Forward Look of key work streams requiring decisions from the Transport for Greater Manchester Committee over the next four months.

Resolved/-

That the Forward Look be noted.

Section 2

TfGMC Recommendations for Further Approval by GMCA

TfGMC13/17 TFGMC POLICY PRIORITIES 2013/14

A report was presented that outlined to Members those key transport policy priorities that the Committee will recommend to the Greater Manchester Combined Authority (GMCA) for adoption for 2013/14. Once approved by the GMCA, these priorities will also help inform the Committee's political engagement programme for the forthcoming municipal year.

Members noted that should the Combined Authority be minded to approve these priorities, as set out in section 3 to the report, then such would inform the Committee's political engagement programme for 2013/14.

A Member raise a query in relation to the contractor undertaking works on the LSM Guided Busway.

With regard to Older Persons Travel Concession, a Member supported the approach of the Committee in relation to the opposing the potential imposition of

means testing for this progressive travel concession.

Resolved/-

- 1.) That the transport policy priorities as set out in Section 3 to the report be noted.
- 2) That the transport policy priorities, as set out in Section 3 to the report, be submitted for approval to the Combined Authority meeting on 28 June 2013.

**Section 3
Items for Resolution by TfGMC**

There were no items requiring resolution by TfGMC reported.

TfGMC13/18 RAIL STATION ACCESSIBILITY PROGRAMME

Members received a report which sought confirmation of the current Rail Station Accessibility Programme priority list, until such time that third party funding contributions were identified and secured for the stations under consideration for inclusion within the programme.

A Member expressed disappointment the Heaton Chapel Station was not included on the priority list. The Member suggested that Network Rail should be contacted to re-examine the costs for ramped systems on platforms and asked if station improvements could be included as part of the on-going line electrification works. A review was requested to reassess those stations not included in the current priority lists

A Member explained that the priorities in the list had not changed for a number of years, that the lack of available funds was the key issue and that Members should encourage their districts to explore opportunities for improvements to local railway station accessibility.

Officers explained that they would continue to challenge Network Rail on the costs associated for station accessibility improvements.

A Member commented that the real issue was funding and that re-ordering the list would not in itself resolve accessibility issues at GM railway stations.

A Member commented that with regard to the disability data analysis, information on Personal Independence Payment should also be included.

Resolved/-

- 1.) That the proposed approach relating to the previously agreed prioritised list of stations most in need of “step free” access; and
- 2.) That the maintaining of the current RSAP priority list be endorsed and that

TfGM continues to explore all funding opportunities for the remaining nine RSAP stations, in conjunction with rail industry partners.

Section 4 - Items for Information

TfGMC13/19 CYCLE CITY AMBITION GRANT

A report was submitted that advised the Committee on the submission of the Cycle City Ambition Grant on 30 April 2013.

A Member in supporting the bid, highlighted that Wigan would not benefit directly from the bid. A Member noted that there would be funds for cycle-ways around the Wigan area. Officers clarified that the terms of the competition constrained the area of the bid, but that if successful measures would be extended after 2015.

Following an enquiry from a Member, officers confirmed that TfGM were working in partnership with the Ashton Canal Trust regarding cycle ways.

Resolved/-

That the bid content and its submission to the DfT on 30 April 2013 be noted.

TfGMC13/20 DfT MAJOR TRANSPORT SCHEME DEVOLUTION AND THE IDENTIFICATION OF FUTURE TRANSPORT PRIORITIES FOR GREATER MANCHESTER

Members received a report which had been submitted to the Greater Manchester Local Transport Body on 31 May 2013 which detailed the process underway to consider the devolution of major scheme transport funding and identifying a programme for Local Transport Body consideration.

A Member commented that the prioritisation principles of the Local Transport Body were similar to those utilised in the Greater Manchester Transport Fund process.

Resolved/-

- 1.) That the report, submitted to the Local Transport body on 31 May 2013, be noted;
- 2.) That the process for the establishment of the Local Transport Body and the requirement to advise the Department for Transport on major scheme transport funding be noted;
- 3.) That the list of proposed schemes, as set out in Appendix 1 to the report be noted;
- 4.) That a further report on progress be submitted to a future meeting of the Committee.

TfGMC13/21 POTENTIAL BID FOR BETTER AREA BUS STATUS

A report was presented which informed Members of a report submitted to the GMCA on 31 May 2013, which described the DfT Better Bus Area (BBA) initiative, outlined TfGM's approach to a potential BBA bid. It was noted that GMCA had granted delegated authority to the Chief Executive of TfGM in consultation with the Chair of TfGMC and the GMCA Transport Portfolio Lead to determine the final bidding strategy.

In response to an enquiry from a Member regarding the Bus Service Operators Grant, (BSOG) officers explained that it was anticipated that this fund was to be devolved to TfGM for tendered services. In relation to BSOG more generally, future funds will be the subject of Spending Review announcement in June.

Following an enquiry from a Member, officers explained that discussions were taking place in relation to the realign the prices of System One travel products, following the decision by bus operators to reduce their fares. The Chair noted his disappointment that a reduction had not already been implemented and looked forward to an early resolution to this issue.

Resolved/-

- 1.) That the report be noted;
- 2.) That a further report will be submitted on the adopted BBA bidding strategy be noted.

TfGMC13/22 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

Resolved/-

That, under section 100 (A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 the press and public should be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that this involves the likely disclosure of exempt information, as set out in paragraph 3, Part 1, Schedule 12A, Local Government Act 1972 and that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

TfMC13/23 CUSTOMER SMART UPDATE PRESENTATION

Members received a presentation which advised them on the branding and marketing designs for Greater Manchester Smart Ticketing for use on public transport.

A Member queried the response times for the smart ticketing technology. Officers confirmed that these would be equal or better than the oyster card system.

Members asked if it would be possible for travel products to be transferred to the Smart card. In response officers confirmed that this would be possible.

Resolved/-

- 1.) That the presentation be received with thanks and noted;
- 2.) That the branding and marketing of the Greater Manchester Smart Ticketing Scheme, as set out in the presentation be endorsed.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BUS NETWORK AND TfGM SERVICES SUB COMMITTEE OF THE TRANSPORT FOR GREATER MANCHESTER COMMITTEE, HELD ON 21 JUNE 2013

PRESENT: Councillor Aldred (Chair).

Councillors: Ahmed, Bayley, Bray, Clayton, Corris, Dean, Duckworth*, Paul, Reilly, Walters, Warner and Wild.

APOLOGY: Councillor Bellis.

IN ATTENDANCE: Councillors Chadwick and Fender.

*indicates substitute Member.

BN/13/01 URGENT BUSINESS AND CHAIR'S COMMUNICATIONS

a.) Welcome

The Chair welcomed to Members to the first Bus Network and TfGM Services Sub Committee meeting of the Municipal Year. A particular welcome was extended to Councillors Ahmed and Bray, who were attending their first meeting of this Sub Committee.

The Chair also welcomed representatives from Bus Operators and thanked them for their continued attendance.

BN/13/02 MEMBERSHIP OF THE SUB COMMITTEE 2013/14

Resolved/-

That the following Membership of the Bus Network and TfGM Services Sub Committee for 2013/14 be noted:-

Cllr Shakil Ahmed	Lab	(Rochdale)
Cllr Mark Aldred (Chair)	Lab	(Wigan)
Cllr Noel Bayley	Lab	(Bury)
Cllr Paul Bellis	Con	(Stockport)
Cllr Warren Bray	Lab	(Tameside)
Cllr Mark Clayton	LD	(Manchester)
Cllr Stuart Corris	LD	(Stockport)
Cllr Peter Dean	Lab	(Oldham)
Cllr Chris Paul	Lab	(Manchester)
Cllr June Reilly	Con	(Trafford)
Cllr Roy Walters	Lab	(Manchester)
Cllr Barry Warner (Deputy Chair)	Lab	(Salford)
Cllr Paul Wild	Con	(Bolton)

Substitutes:

Cllr David Chadwick	Lab	(Bolton)
Cllr Doreen Dickinson	Con	(Tameside)
Cllr John Dillon	LD	(Oldham)
Cllr Ian Duckworth	Con	(Rochdale)
Cllr Andrew Fender	Lab	(Manchester)
Cllr Guy Harkin	Lab	(Bolton)
Cllr Tracey Rawlins	Lab	(Manchester)
Cllr Craig Wright	LD	(Stockport)

BN/13/03 TERMS OF REFERENCE

Resolved/-

That following confirmation by TfGMC at its meeting on 14 June 2013, the following Terms of Reference for Bus Network and TfGM Services Sub Committee be noted:-

The Bus Network and TfGM Services Sub Committee, in accordance with the Committee's policies for integrated public transport:

1. Considers all matters relating to the operation and service performance of the bus network in Greater Manchester, including commercially registered and subsidised services; bus stations and bus stops; passenger information services; contract monitoring; vehicle standards; and passenger safety for the subsidised bus network.
2. Considers the operation, performance and development of the TfGMC accessible transport provision.
3. Monitors:
 - the detailed performance of the tendered bus network;
 - the detailed operation and performance of the accessible transport services provided by the Committee and GMCA;
 - commercial bus services which make use of TfGM facilities such as bus stations, concessionary fares and Section 106 (1) grants to bus operators;
4. **Under delegated authority**, reviews closely and approves all proposed changes to the subsidised bus network and ensures that the cost of the subsidised general services is kept within the appropriate budget or any cash limit set by GMCA.
5. **Under delegated authority**, approves any operational proposals relating to the Executive's provision of bus station, stop/shelter and passenger information services

6. Discharges the above within GMCA's capital and revenue budgets, set by GMCA.

BN/13/04 PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS

Resolved/-

That the following programme of Bus Network and TfGM Services Sub Committee meetings for 2013/14 be noted:-

- Friday 21 June 2013
- Friday 26 July 2013
- Friday 4 October 2013
- Friday 22 November 2013
- Friday 10 January 2014
- Friday 21 March 2014

Meetings to commence at 10.30 am unless otherwise indicated.

BN/13/05 MINUTES

The Minutes of the proceedings of the Bus Network and TfGM Services Sub Committee meeting held on 22 March 2013 were submitted.

Officers provided an update on the temporary arrangements that will be put in place when Altrincham Bus Station works commence on 14 July 2013. A Member thanked officers for their work in relation to this.

With regard to Minute BN12/60, a Member enquired as to what steps First had taken to improve punctuality and performance on their bus services in Bury. In response, First explained that they were adding additional resources into services and highlighted how highway affected punctuality. Members noted that First continued to monitor bus service punctuality, particularly on those services which were under performing.

Resolved/-

That the Minutes of the proceedings of the Bus Network and TfGM Services Sub Committee, held on 22 March 2013, be approved as a correct record.

BN/13/06 BUS NETWORK PERFORMANCE 2012/13

Members received a report which informed them of the observed performance of the Greater Manchester bus network during 2012/13.

Following an enquiry from a Member in relation to mid point punctuality, officers undertook to provide information on early and late running services.

In response to an enquiry by a Member regarding the use of older buses on services in Bury which caused accessibility problems for people with pushchairs or had mobility issues. In response, First explained that their fleet

contained a number of step access buses which were used predominately on school services. Members noted that First was in the process of introducing 50 new vehicles, including low floor buses, as part of the First fleet.

With regard to the bus passenger satisfaction survey, a Member asked what can be done to improve Value for Money scores. In response, it was noted that officers would continue to work with bus operators on this matter and that a further report on the Bus Passenger Survey would be provided to the Sub Committee meeting in October.

Resolved/-

- 1.) That the continued improvements made to the mid-point punctuality and start point punctuality, although the latter remains below the Code of Conduct Voluntary Partnership minimum standard, be noted;
- 2.) That the sustained improvements to the standard of the observed vehicle fleet, particularly the increased deployment of low emission vehicles on key service routes and
- 3.) That the on-going partnership approach to working with both the bus operators and highway authorities to address bus performance issues on the highway network, be noted.
- 4.) That a further report on the Passenger Satisfaction Survey be brought to a meeting of the sub committee in October.

BN/13/07 FORTHCOMING CHANGES TO THE BUS NETWORK

Members considered a report which informed them of changes that had taken place to the bus network since the last Sub Committee meeting, reported on consequential action taken or proposed by TfGM and sought their guidance on the recommended actions proposed.

Officers undertook to speak with Members after the meeting in relation to a suggestion to the routing of service 517 to Horwich and the Middleton Local Link. Officers also undertook to explore a request from a Member for Bolton services to Ellenbrook.

Resolved/-

- 1.) That the changes to the commercial network and the proposals not to replace the deregistered commercial services, as set out in Appendix A to the report, and appended to the minutes, be noted;
- 2.) That the proposed actions in respect of the de-registered commercial services, as set out at Appendix B to the report and appended to the Minutes be approved;
- 3.) That the proposed changes to the existing general subsidised services, as set out at Appendix C to the report, and appended to the Minutes, be approved.

BN/13/08 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

Resolved/-

That, under section 100 (A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 the press and public should be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that this involves the likely disclosure of exempt information, as set out in paragraph 3, Part 1, Schedule 12A, Local Government Act 1972 and that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

BN/13/09 FORTHCOMING CHANGES TO THE BUS NETWORK

Members considered a report that informed them of the associated financial implications with regard to changes to bus services 126, 152, 553, 559, 584, 597, 683, 684, 693, 694, Uppermill and Mossley Local Link, Bury Busy Bee Community Transport Service and Middleton Local Link.

Officers clarified the annual funding costs of services 683, 684, 693 and 694.

Following an enquiry from a Member regarding the proposals for a two year diversion of circular services 683/684 to serve New Hall Farm and 693/694 to serve Higher Green, officers undertook to speak with the operator regarding a shorter contract period.

Resolved/-

- 1.) That the proposed changes to changes to bus services 126, 152, 553, 559, 584, 597, and the proposed continuation of the current Uppermill and Mossley Local Link, Bury Busy Bee Community Transport Service and Middleton Local Link, as set out in the report, be approved;
- 2.) That the proposed diversion of circular services 683/684 to serve New Hall Farm be approved for one year;
- 3.) That the proposed diversion of circular services 693/694 to serve Higher Green be approved for one year.

BN/13/10 REVIEW OF SUBSIDISED BUS SERVICES BUDGET

A report was provided which updated Members on the annualised cost of the General Services Network for February and March 2013 and presented the final outturn position compared to the 2012/13 subsidised bus budget. In addition, Members noted the annualised cost of the General Services Network for April 2013 and the current position against the 2013/14 subsidised bus services budget. A presentation was provided which set out in greater detail who the budget was developed and highlighted budget challenges.

Following an enquiry from a Member in relation to Rossendale Transport, officer undertook to speak with the Member away from the meeting.

Resolved/-

That the presentation be received with thanks and that the report be noted.

BN/13/11 BUS SUPPLIER RATING UPDATE

Members received a report which informed them of the most recent Supplier Rating results of Greater Manchester bus operator performance and provided an outline of future changes to the scheme.

In response to a comment from a Member regarding publicity, officers highlighted those areas, including social media, where bus services were publicised.

Resolved/-

That the report be noted.

BN/13/12 SUBSIDISED BUS SERVICE PERFORMANCE

Members considered a report which advised them on the performance of subsidised bus contracts in Greater Manchester during 202/13.

A Member commented that with regard to breaches by bus operators, he was aware of a number of incidents where engines were left on when buses were waiting at stops. In response, officers clarified that the data reported related to observed subsidised bus services.

A Member highlighted that bus users would generally be unaware if the bus service that they were travelling on was a subsidised service. It was suggested that should passengers wish to raise a complaint about an operator, a single contact point for receiving complaints should be included on TfGM literature.

Resolved/-

- 1.) That the report be noted.
- 2.) That a report in relation to complaints received be provided to the next meeting of this Sub Committee.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE METROLINK AND RAIL NETWORKS SUB COMMITTEE OF THE TRANSPORT FOR GREATER MANCHESTER COMMITTEE, HELD ON 28 JUNE 2013

PRESENT: Councillor Dickinson (in the Chair).

Councillors: Briggs, Chadwick, Dillon, Duckworth, Fitzpatrick, Godson, Holland, Rawlins, Robinson and Wright.

APOLOGIES: Councillors Colledge and Cordingley.

MR13/01 URGENT BUSINESS AND CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

(a) Welcome to Operators

The Chair welcomed those representatives of rail operators and thanked them for their continued attendance at Sub Committee meetings.

(b) Northern Rail Briefing on May 2014 Timetable

Members noted that at the rise of the meeting Northern Rail would provide a briefing regarding initial proposals for the May 2014 timetable changes.

(c) Alison Chew

Members place on record their thanks to Alison Chew, TfGM for the support she had provided to this Sub Committee. Alison will be taking up a new role within TfGM.

(d) Darren Kirkman

The Chair on behalf of Members offered to thanks Darren Kirkman, TfGM for his support. It was noted that Darren would also be taking up a new role within TfGM.

MR13/02 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest made by any Member in respect of any item on the agenda.

MR13/03 MEMBERSHIP OF THE SUB COMMITTEE 2013/14

Resolved/-

That the following Members to the Metrolink and Rail Networks Sub Committee, be noted:-

(13 Members) 8 Lab, 3 Conservative; 2 Liberal Democrat and their substitutes.

Cllr Norman Briggs	Lab	(Oldham)
Cllr David Chadwick	Lab	(Bolton)
Cllr Matthew Colledge	Con	(Trafford)
Cllr Michael Cordingley	Lab	(Trafford)
Cllr Doreen Dickinson (Chair)	Con	(Tameside)
Cllr John Dillon	LD	(Oldham)
Cllr Ian Duckworth	Con	(Rochdale)
Cllr Dean Fitzpatrick	Lab	(Stockport)
Cllr Alan Godson	Lab	(Rochdale)
Cllr Patricia Holland (Deputy Chair)	Lab	(Wigan)
Cllr Tracey Rawlins	Lab	(Manchester)
Cllr Peter Robinson	Lab	(Tameside)
Cllr Craig Wright	LD	(Stockport)

Substitutes

Cllr Mark Aldred	Lab	(Wigan)
Cllr Paul Bellis	Con	(Stockport)
Cllr Mark Clayton	LD	(Manchester)
Cllr Stuart Corris	LD	(Stockport)
Cllr Robin Garrido	Con	(Salford)
Cllr Joan Grimshaw	Lab	(Bury)
Cllr Roger Jones	Lab	(Salford)
Cllr Eunice Smethurst	Lab	(Wigan)

Resolved/-

That the Membership of the Metrolink and Rail Networks Sub Committee for 2013/14 be noted.

MR13/04 TERMS OF REFERENCE

Resolved/-

That the following Terms of Reference for the Metrolink and Rail Networks Sub Committee be noted:-

The Metrolink and Rail Networks Sub Committee, in accordance with the Committee's policies for integrated public transport:

1. Considers all matters relating to the operation and service of local rail and Metrolink services in Greater Manchester, together with related facilities, including the status of individual rail stations within the TfGM's monitoring system, and the promotion of local rail and Metrolink services
2. Reviews issues concerned with the level of, and support of, local rail services
3. Monitors the performance of local rail services and the performance of Metrolink services.

MR13/05 PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS

Resolved/-

That the following programme of meetings for the Metrolink and Rail Networks Sub Committee for 2013/14 be noted:-

- Friday 28 June 2013
- Friday 20 September 2013
- Friday 1 November 2013
- Friday 20 December 2013
- Friday 7 February 2014
- Friday 25 April 2014

MR13/06 MINUTES

The Minutes of the proceedings of the meeting of the Metrolink and Rail Networks Sub Committee, held on 26 April 2013 were submitted.

Resolved/-

That the Minutes of the meeting held on 26 April 2013 be approved as a correct record.

MR13/07 METROLINK SERVICE PERFORMANCE

A report was presented that informed Members of the service performance and developments that had affected the Metrolink system during Periods 12 and 13 (Monday 4 March 2013 – Sunday 28 April 2013). The results of Metqual inspections for the same monitoring periods were also explained.

In response to an enquiry from a Member regarding additional services on the Oldham Rochdale line, officers explained that as there was still passenger capacity on this line, additional vehicles would not be introduced. Officers undertook to discuss the matter further with the Member outside from the meeting.

A Member sought clarification as to the cause of the incidents which had affected services on the Oldham Rochdale line. In response, MRDL explained that the problems were a result of faulty relays which had now been replaced and the matter had been resolved.

A Member sought confirmation as to the length of time that vehicle 3013 would be out of service whilst it was receiving repairs. In response officers undertook to report back to the Member directly.

Following a suggestion from a Member, officers undertook to include a graph to illustrate the patronage on the new lines in future reports.

A Member commented on the seating configuration on board the M5000 trams and enquired if there was a specific policy on this. In response, officers explained that the design took into account the relevant DDA guidance and undertook to explore if there was an opportunity for additional seating to be introduced on new trams.

In response to an enquiry from a Member, officers explained the measures that were being introduced to combat graffiti on Metrolink property and assets.

Following an enquiry from a Member regarding the maintenance and management of a pedestrian tunnel close to East Didsbury Metrolink stop, it was noted that Stockport Council had agreed to fund improvements to their section of the tunnel, which were hoped to be completed before the winter. In addition, it was suggested that the Trans Pennine trail could be utilised by passengers to link the Metrolink stop to East Didsbury Railway Station and signage should be introduced to that effect.

Responding to an enquiry from a Member, officers confirmed that repairs and other associated costs are recovered from the vehicle owner's insurers where collisions with trams have occurred.

Members noted that following work with Greater Manchester Police and the GM Travel Safe Scheme, anti-social behaviour around the Oldham Mumps area had reduced.

Resolved/-

That the performance of the Metrolink network be noted.

MR13/08 DEPLOYMENT OF METROLINK PASSENGER SERVICES REPRESENTATIVES

Members received a report which informed them of the deployment of Passenger Services Representatives (PSRs) and their activities on the Metrolink system during Period 12 and Period 13 of Metrolink operations (Monday 4 March 2013 – Sunday 31 March 2013), Period 13 (Monday 01

April 2013 – Sunday 28 April 2013). The report also presented an update on the three core duties of the PSRs; namely, revenue protection, security and customer care.

With regard to revenue protection, a Member commented that the ability for passengers to purchase tickets on board trams would reduce fare evasion and the use of police resources. In response, it was noted that it remained a condition of travel for tickets to be purchased before boarding trams and that the introduction of smart ticketing would make it easier and quicker for passengers to purchase tickets. In addition, it was also noted that the running of joint operations with the police provided important intelligence.

Resolved/-

That the update on the deployment of Metrolink Passenger Service Representatives be noted.

MR13/09 LOCAL RAIL SERVICE PERFORMANCE AND STATION ISSUES

A report was presented which informed Members of local rail service performance and station issues within Greater Manchester and the surrounding area for the periods between 1 April and 25 May 2013 (periods 1 and 2 in 2013/14). Particular attention was given to the previously identified key areas of focus, namely, train performance and capacity provision, station quality, engineering work and revenue protection. Information was also provided on those timetable changes planned for December 2013. Members noted that a further report regarding this timetable change was to be brought to the next meeting of this Sub Committee.

A Member highlighted the good work undertaken by the Friends of Station Groups and officers were thanked for their efforts and support they had provided to the Friends of Westhoughton station.

A Member requested information on the proposed changes to Bolton corridor services when Trans Pennine Express services are routed through Wigan. In response, officers explained that they were working with Northern Rail to maintain capacity on this corridor and to develop clear information for the public.

In response to a comment from a Member regarding the lack of Real Time Information at Castleton Railway Station, officers explained that this project was included on the list for the next round of station improvements. It was noted however that funding for such works was not yet available.

It was noted that Northern Rail was to investigate the concerns of a Member regarding a train service not stopping at Moses Gate as scheduled and that they would report back to the Member concerned.

A Member highlighted the lack of strengthening of Northern Rail services from Wigan to Manchester Airport, resulting overcrowded carriages and the lack of luggage storage capacity. In response, Northern Rail explained that they were aware of these problems and would discuss the matter further with the Member concerned.

With regard to revenue protection, a Member enquired as to how the Northern Scholars Season Ticket was to be promoted. In response, Northern Rail explained that they had spoken with a number of schools regarding this product and undertook to provide details of the initiative to Members.

A Member commented on the good work undertaken by the Friends of Strines Station and explained that they would welcome an hourly service for this station.

In response to a comment from a Member regarding the discarding of building materials at Flowery Field Station following recent works, Northern Rail confirmed that this matter had now been addressed.

Following an observation from a Member regarding the lack of revenue protection staff at Piccadilly Station, Northern Rail undertook to follow up this matter.

In response to a suggestion by a Member, officers undertook to write to St Patrick's High School to thank the students for their impressive work at Patricroft Station.

Officers confirmed that the on-going electrification works would be included as an agenda item for forthcoming meetings of this Sub Committee.

A Member welcomed the improvements to performance on the Southport to Manchester route and highlighted the poor performance of Virgin Trains during this monitoring period.

Resolved/-

- 1.) That the report be noted;
- 2.) That the improvements in station and train service quality and peak train strengthening performance be welcomed and noted;
- 3.) That the information regarding timetable changes planned for December 2013 and that a detailed report will be provided to the next meeting of this Sub Committee be noted;
- 4.) That a report on Electrification be brought to future meetings of this Sub Committee.
- 5.) That Steve Magner, TfGM and Steve Currie, Northern Rail be thanked for their support to the Friends of West Houghton Station.

MR13/10 MANCHESTER – SOUTHPORT RAIL SERVICE UPDATE

Members received a report which provided them with an update on the performance of the Southport and Manchester Airport route and explained the initiatives and work taking place by Network Rail and Northern Rail to improve matters.

Members noted that £13 million of funding had been secured to introduce improvements to this route which included track relaying and the introduction of concrete sleepers. Works were to take place during September and October and would be arranged to cause minimum disruption to services. It was noted that the proposed works will be publicised widely.

In response to an enquiry from a Member, it was noted that Network Rail was exploring ways to mitigate the current speed restrictions on the approach to Southport station.

Resolved/-

- 1.) That the report be noted;
- 2.) That the recent improvement in performance on the route between Southport and Manchester Airport be welcomed
- 3.) That regular updates on the performance of this route be provided to future meetings of this Sub committee, be noted.

MR13/11 RAIL SATISFACTION SURVEY RESULTS 2012

A report was presented which provided Members with headline findings from the Passenger Focus run National Passenger Survey 2012, along with an update on actions taken in relation to TfGM's key areas of focus in relation to rail service quality.

In response to an enquiry from a Member as to how faults on services were reported. Northern Rail explained that all train crew are provided with a log book to record maintenance issues.

A Member highlighted that given the DfT investment at Horwich Parkway, the Rail Industry Station Category for this station should be classified as "D".

Following an enquiry from a Member regarding the survey, Northern Rail explained that they had met with Passenger Focus regarding the sample taken and highlighted anomalies with them. It was suggested that future surveys would benefit from being in an electronic form, rather than paper to encourage responses from more diverse groups.

Resolved/-

- 1.) That the report be noted;

2.) That the continuation of the following key areas of focus in relation to rail quality be endorsed:-

- (i) Train Performance and Capacity Provision;
- (ii) Station Quality including cleanliness, defect rectification and information provision;
- (iii) Engineering work; both the impact of, information about and the arrangements during, all forthcoming major engineering schemes in the Greater Manchester area;
- (iv) Revenue Protection and the satisfactory collection of fares from travelling passengers.

**MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE
MEETING OF THE CAPITAL PROJECTS AND
POLICY SUB COMMITTEE OF THE TRANSPORT
FOR GREATER MANCHESTER COMMITTEE,
HELD ON 5 JULY 2013**

PRESENT: Councillor Roger Jones (in the Chair).

Councillors: Noel Bayley,* Norman Briggs*, Matthew Colledge, Michael Cordingley, Doreen Dickinson, John Dillon, Andrew Fender, Robin Garrido, Joan Grimshaw, Guy Harkin, Peter Robinson, Eunice Smethurst, and Craig Wright.

APOLOGIES: Councillors Peter Dean and Dean Fitzpatrick.

*denotes substitute for an absent Member.

CPP13/01 URGENT BUSINESS AND CHAIR'S ANOUNCEMENTS

(a) TfGMC 12 July 2013

The Chair reminded Members that the meeting of TfGMC on 12 July 2013 was to be held at the Mechanics' Institute.

CPP13/02 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest made.

MEMBERSHIP OF THE SUB COMMITTEE 2013/14

Resolved/-

Members noted that Transport for Greater Manchester Committee (TfGMC), at its meeting on 14 June 2013, appointed the following Members and their substitutes to the Capital Projects and Policy Sub Committee:-

15 Members (10 Labour, 3 Conservative, 2 Liberal Democrat)

Cllr Matthew Colledge	Con	(Trafford)
Cllr Michael Cordingley	Lab	(Trafford)
Cllr Peter Dean	Lab	(Oldham)
Cllr Doreen Dickinson	Con	(Tameside)
Cllr John Dillon	LD	(Oldham)
Cllr Andrew Fender	Lab	(Manchester)
Cllr Dean Fitzpatrick	Lab	(Stockport)
Cllr Robin Garrido	Con	(Salford)
Cllr Joan Grimshaw	Lab	(Bury)

Cllr Alan Godson	Lab	(Rochdale)
Cllr Guy Harkin	Lab	(Bolton)
Cllr Roger Jones (Chair)	Lab	(Salford)
Cllr Peter Robinson	Lab	(Tameside)
Cllr Eunice Smethurst (Deputy Chair)	Lab	(Wigan)
Cllr Craig Wright	LD	(Stockport)

Substitutes:

Cllr Noel Bayley	Lab	(Bury)
Cllr Warren Bray	Lab	(Tameside)
Cllr Norman Briggs	Lab	(Oldham)
Cllr Mark Clayton	LD	(Manchester)
Cllr Stuart Corris	LD	(Stockport)
Cllr Patricia Holland	Lab	(Wigan)
Cllr Chris Paul	Lab	(Manchester)
Cllr June Reilly	Con	(Trafford)
Cllr Paul Wild	Con	(Bolton)

CPP/13/03 TERMS OF REFERENCE

Resolved/-

Members noted that at its meeting on 14 June 2013, TfGMC approved the following Terms of Reference for the Capital Projects and Policy Sub Committee:-

The Capital Projects and Policy Sub Committee, in accordance with the Committee's policies for integrated public transport:

1. Approves **under delegated authority** releases for capital schemes within the GMCA's transport capital programme provided that the overall cost of any scheme does not exceed the budget allocated to it in the Capital Programme.
2. Monitors and, where appropriate, considers and resolves, **under delegated authority**, issues arising from the implementation of all capital schemes within the GMCA's minor works capital programme, provided that the cost of any scheme does not exceed the budget allocated to it in the Capital Programme.
3. Monitors and, where appropriate, refers to TfGMC or GMCA for resolution issues arising from the implementation of the public transport schemes prioritised for delivery under the Greater Manchester Transport Fund.
4. Reviews the arrangements adopted by TfGM for the procurement of a representative cross section of capital projects, including the procurement routes and contractual arrangements used to ensure that they deliver best value.

5. Reviews the processes used for the evaluation and selection of design and delivery teams including the methods of assessment used to evaluate design and contractor bids and the arrangements proposed for the effective co-ordination of the design and delivery process.
6. Examines the internal TfGM arrangements for managing, developing and supporting the delivery of capital projects.
7. Considers issues arising from the tendering and implementation of all Metrolink capital contracts, and where appropriate refers them for resolution to TfGMC or GMCA.
8. Monitors on behalf of TfGMC all external transport capital projects agreed by Department for Transport and/or other agencies, to which the GMCA has no direct funding responsibility.
9. Considers and advises TfGMC on proposals for future capital programmes.
10. Undertake key elements of work on new policy development referred by TfGMC, for example, considering new fare regimes for Metrolink or concessionary fares but it will be for TfGMC to determine and approve any changes to fares.
11. Undertake and receive reports relating to the monitoring functions with regard to the new, additional highways functions, including network management, road safety, traffic signals and traffic forecasting.

CPP13/04 PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS

Resolved/-

Members noted that TfGMC at its meeting on 14 June 2013 TfGMC approved the following dates as a programme of meetings for the Capital Projects and Policy Sub Committee for 2013/14:-

Meetings were to commence at 10.30 am unless indicated otherwise.

- Friday 5 July 2013
- Friday 6 September 2013
- Friday 8 November 2013
- Friday 24 January 2014
- Friday 7 March 2014
- Friday 4 April 2014

CPP13/05 MINUTES

The Minutes of the proceedings of the Capital Projects and Policy Sub Committee meeting, held on 19 April 2013 were submitted.

Resolved/-

That the Minutes of the proceedings of the Capital Projects and Policy Sub Committee, held on 19 April 2013, be agreed as a correct record.

CPP13/06 METROLINK CAPITAL UPDATE

Members received a report which provided them with an update on the progress to date of the Metrolink Capital Programme, including the work on the extensions and the enhancements to the existing network.

A Member commented that in the recent Spending Review announcement, the Chancellor made reference to the proposal to extend Metrolink to Trafford Park. In response, it was noted that the financial model for this extension had been identified as the Earnback principle although there was still a lot of further work to undertake in relation to funding this proposal.

Following a request for a Members' visit to the Metrolink Depot in Trafford to be arranged, it was noted that a visit would be arranged later in the year, after the party conferences.

With regard to the migration of the Tram Management System (TMS), a Member enquired if these works were successful and highlighted that trams continued to be held at the Cornbrook junction. In response, it was noted that over the forthcoming weekends a number of possessions would be made in order for essential works dynamic testing to be undertaken. The introduction of TMS at Cornbrook would improve tram movements through Deansgate-Castlefield.

A Member welcomed the introduction of Real Time Passenger Information across the city centre.

In relation to an enquiry from a Member, officers undertook to clarify what utilities works were taking place on Cross Street.

Resolved/-

That the update on the progress made in regard to the delivery of the new Metrolink lines, together with other works associated with the network expansion and improvements.

CPP13/07 BUS PRIORITY UPDATE

A report was presented which gave an update to Members on the recent progress of the Bus Priority Programme, including the Cross City Bus

package and the Leigh Salford Manchester Guided Busway, and the Better Area Bus Fund Programme.

A Member commented on the excellent response from TfGM and the contractor in relation to resident issues in Ellenbrook. The potential privacy problems regarding the proposed use of double decker buses on this route were highlighted and the introduction of a clause in the tender documents was suggested to prohibit the use of this type of bus. In response, officers explained that screening and planting was being introduced along the route to address residents' privacy concerns and confirmed that double decker buses would not be precluded from using the busway, as such buses may be required for service patterns on this route.

Following an enquiry from a Member regarding, officers undertook to investigate if the proposed highway works on the A580, at the junctions with Old Clough Lane to Ellenbrook Road could be brought forward to be carried out during 2013/14.

In relation to an enquiry from a Member regarding the Bus Explorer Website, officers explained that the website would be linked to current timetable information.

It was noted that officers would share information the new style bus maps with a Member.

Resolved/-

That the progress made on the Bus Priority schemes in recent months be noted.

CPP13/08 INTERCHANGES UPDATE

Members received a report which updated them on the progress to date of the new transport Interchanges at Rochdale, Altrincham, Bolton and Wythenshawe, which will be delivered over the next three years. In addition, an overview of the work being undertaken with Local Authority partners regarding potential future interchanges was also provided.

Resolved/-

That the report and the progress which had been made on the various schemes in recent months, as set out in the report, be noted.

CPP13/09 LOCAL SUSTAINABLE TRANSPORT FUND UPDATE

A report was presented which updated Members on the progress to date on the Local Sustainable Transport Fund (LSTF) programme, including the commuter cycling projects.

With regard to the extension of the Kingsway Local Link to Shaw, as part of the *Let's Get To Work* initiative, a Member highlighted that given the current unemployment levels in the wider area, resources would be better utilised where there was a greater need. In response officers agreed to explore this matter in greater detail.

Following a suggestion from a Member, officers undertook to explore how Greater Manchester Police could be invited to cycling training events provide to advice on cycle security and provide security marking for cycles.

A Member highlighted problems in identifying a suitable location to install a cycle shelter at Rose Hill Railway Station. In response, officers undertook to investigate how this shelter could be accommodated.

In response to an enquiry from a Member, officers confirmed that Ring and Ride services will be involved in providing work-focused transport as part of the *Let's Get To Work* initiative.

A Member highlighted that traffic free Sundays had been introduced in Bristol which encouraged active travel and enquired if such initiatives would be introduced in Greater Manchester. In response, officers explained that similar initiatives took place during Bike Week. It was also noted that LSTF included walking initiatives.

Members noted that TfGM was to host the forthcoming LSTF Annual Conference in December.

Resolved/-

- 1.) That the progress to date of the LSTF Large Project "Let's Get To Work, be noted;
- 2.) That the progress to date with the delivery of the capital and revenue elements of the Key Component Commuter Cycle project be noted;
- 3.) That a further update report was to be brought back to a future meeting of this Sub Committee, be noted.



TRANSPORT FOR GREATER MANCHESTER COMMITTEE

REPORT FOR INFORMATION

DATE: 12 JULY 2013
SUBJECT: FORWARD LOOK
REPORT OF: CLERK TO THE COMMITTEE

PURPOSE OF REPORT

To present for Members' information a 'Forward Look' report which sets out the key work streams requiring decisions from the Transport for Greater Manchester Committee over the next four months.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Members are recommended to note the Forward Look.

BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

None

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1. Introduction

- 1.1 The Greater Manchester Combined Authority (GMCA) and AGMA are required to publish and update a Forward Plan of Strategic Decisions. Such reports are provided for information at each meeting of the GMCA and AGMA, and are provided to the AGMA Scrutiny Pool for information. Any key transport decisions which the GMCA is to determine, as informed by any recommendations made by the Transport for Greater Manchester Committee, are included in the GMCA Forward Plan.
- 1.2 In order to match the practice of GMCA and AGMA, a 'Forward Look' is prepared for each meeting of TfGMC that aims to capture the broad range of TfGMC activity over the coming months which will be brought before Members' for discussion, decision and, where appropriate, recommendation to the GMCA. Whilst this is not a statutory or constitutional requirement, hence it is being described as a 'Forward Look' as opposed to a 'Forward Plan,' it is intended to provide greater transparency with regard to the work of the Committee, enabling the public, local authorities, other GM bodies, AGMA Commissions and external organisations to be better informed about key decisions the Committee is due to make.
- 1.3 The Forward Look is not designed to capture all of the work of TfGMC over the coming year, hence it does not specifically refer to any of the general monitoring, scrutiny or performance management work of TfGMC or its Sub Committees. It does however include elements of the agreed Policy Priorities programme, alongside key functions where the role of the Committee is to provide advice and recommendation to the GMCA, for example with regard to the budget and the capital programme.

2. Forward Look

- 2.1 The table on the next page includes key items which will be brought before the Committee in the coming months, but is not intended to be a complete list of all the reports that will be brought to Committee.
- 2.2 In addition, it should be noted that decision dates for items listed may change in response to changing circumstances.

Item	Brief Description	Anticipated date of decision / update	TfGM Lead
Policy Priorities 2013 - 14	To agree the transport policy priorities for the 2013 - 14 municipal year	Update on TfGMC Policy Priorities to be provided to TfGMC periodically.	GMCA Head of Paid Service, Chief Executive
Revenue budget 2013 - 14	Regular monitoring reports	Regular update reports to TfGMC.	Chief Executive and Finance Director, TfGM
Local Transport Plan development	Further updates on the Local Transport Plan 4 development process	Summer 2013	Transport Strategy Director
Smartcard	Development of more integrated fares and ticketing regimes utilising Smart card technology	Progress reports to GMCA and TfGMC	Information Systems Director
Local Sustainable Transport Fund	Successful bid to DfT for revenue and capital funds to support range of GM transport projects	Regular progress updates to the Capital Projects and Policy sub committee	Transport Strategy Director
High Speed Rail	Consultation response to DfT submitted. Further and wider activity ongoing	Regular updates to TfGMC. High Speed Rail aspirations included in Greater Manchester Rail Strategy	Head of Rail
Rail re-franchising	Process for re-letting of rail franchises serving Greater Manchester	Updates to GMCA and TfGMC throughout process	Head of Rail
Metrolink expansion	Phase 3 expansion of Metrolink to Ashton, Manchester Airport, Oldham and Rochdale, East Didsbury, and Second City Crossing	Regular update reports are received by TfGMC and by the Capital Projects and Policy Sub Committee	Metrolink Director
TfGM capital schemes - including Altrincham, Bolton, Rochdale and Wythenshawe Interchanges,	Progress on key transport capital schemes for Greater Manchester	Regular monitoring reports tracking progress to TfGMC and Capital Projects and Policy Sub-Committee	Chief Operating Officer

Item	Brief Description	Anticipated date of decision / update	TfGM Lead
Leigh-Salford-Manchester Busway, Cross City Bus and rail projects			
Highway network efficiency	To develop further opportunities for collaboration between GM highway authorities and Highways Agency to improve efficiency of highway network	Update reports to TfGMC and Capital Projects and Policy Sub-Committee	Information Systems Director
GM Road Activities Permits Scheme	GMRAPS now in operation	Monitoring reports as appropriate	Information Systems Director
Freight	Develop fuller understanding of strategic freight needs of GM economy	Further development work to be presented to TfGMC	Transport Strategy Director
GM cycling strategy	Development, in collaboration with GM highway authorities, to develop a longer term cycling strategy to increase commuter cycling	Initial strategic options for consultation to be reported to TfGMC in early 2013	Transport Strategy Director
Cycling City Ambition Grant	TfGM co-ordinated bid for DfT capital funding for improvements to cycling infrastructure	Decision awaited	Transport Strategy Director
Review of Greater Manchester Accessible Transport Trust / Limited	Review of GMATT/L governance arrangements	Report on governance reform proposals presented to TfGMC in April, GMCA in June.	Finance Director, Bus and Rail Director

TRANSPORT FOR GREATER MANCHESTER COMMITTEE
REPORT FOR RESOLUTION

DATE: 12 JULY 2013
SUBJECT: TfGMC CYCLING CHAMPION
REPORT OF: HEAD OF PAID SERVICE, GMCA

PURPOSE OF REPORT

To set out the terms of reference for a TfGMC Cycling Champion and to seek a nomination of a Member for the appointment to this role.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Members are recommended to:

- 1) Note the terms of reference, and,
- 2) Appoint a member of the Committee to serve as the Cycling Champion for the 2013 – 14 municipal year.

BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

GM Local Transport Plan 3, April 2011, GMCA

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1. Introduction

- 1.1 TfGMC performs a wide range of transport functions: from advising the GMCA on policy to overseeing the activities of TfGM; monitoring the delivery of infrastructure schemes to scrutinising the performance of transport operators.
- 1.2 The Committee's role in relation to Active Travel (ie cycling and walking) derive from its responsibility to ensure that TfGM implement the actions delegated to it by the GM Combined Authority to promote the economic, social and environmental wellbeing of residents through the delivery of the Local Transport Plan 3, and specifically in this regard to delivering measures set out in the section on Active Travel.¹
- 1.3 The Committee's role is primarily one of oversight and co-ordination, and of monitoring TfGM in its activities in relation to Active Travel. This will include, for example, monitoring the development of a GM Cycling Strategy and scrutinising the delivery of Active Travel initiatives funded by the Local Sustainable Transport Fund, etc. Districts (as the local highway authorities) will continue to have a key role in supporting Active Travel, particularly in relation to infrastructure delivery, maintenance and local schemes.

2. TfGMC Cycling Champion

- 2.1 To assist the Committee in undertaking its responsibilities in relation to Active Travel, the TfGMC member nominated by the Committee to serve as Cycling Champion will undertake:
 1. To work to promote the long-term aim, as set out in LTP 3, to make cycling a genuine, attractive choice for journeys to work, for leisure and for fitness, and to oversee an increase the number of people cycling to work and education;
 2. To ensure the Committee consider cycling as a key mode within an overall, integrated transport system;
 3. To promote the Committee's Active Travel Policy Priority in relation to cycling to key partners including, for example, district and public health authorities, transport operators, the business community and the voluntary and community sector, and;
 4. To act as the Committee's key contact in relation to the further development of cycling policy and GM-wide cycling initiatives and measures.
- 2.2 This position will not attract a Special Responsibility Allowance.

¹ http://www.tfgm.com/journey_planning/LTP3/Documents/7_Active_Travel_GMLTP3.pdf

**TRANSPORT FOR GREATER MANCHESTER COMMITTEE
REPORT FOR INFORMATION**

DATE: 12 July 2013
SUBJECT: Revenue Budget Monitoring 2013/14
REPORT OF: Finance and Corporate Services Director

PURPOSE OF REPORT

To inform Members of the latest position in respect of the 2013/14 revenue budget and the revenue budget outturn for 2012/13.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Members are recommended to:-

1. note that the 2012/13 revenue budget outturn resulted in a small surplus, of £0.11 million, subject to audit, compared to the budgeted break even position.
2. note that the latest revenue forecast for 2013/14 is currently projecting a breakeven position, in line with budget, as summarised in section 2.1 of the report.

BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

Report to Greater Manchester Combined Authority, 25 January 2013, Revenue Budget 2013/14.

Report to Transport for Greater Manchester Committee, 15 March 2013, Budget 2013/14.

Report to Greater Manchester Combined Authority, 28 June 2013, Revenue Outturn 2012/13.

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1 Outturn 2012/13

1.1 The net position in 2012/13 is a surplus of £0.11 million, after reserve transfers and subject to audit. The results are summarised in the table below:

	Year to March 2013		
	Budget	Actual	Variance
	£000	£000	£000
Expenditure			
Concessionary Support	67,000	65,490	(1,510)
Supported Services	34,612	31,762	(2,850)
Rail	62,482	62,440	(42)
Accessible Transport	5,728	5,684	(44)
Passenger Services, Facilities & Support			-
Levy Funded Costs	38,968	41,335	2,367
Grant Funded Costs	2,180	1,977	(203)
Financing	6,754	7,199	445
Total Expenditure	217,724	215,887	(1,837)
Financed by:			
Levy	122,140	122,140	-
GMCA Traffic Signals	4,498	4,498	-
Rail Grant	64,037	64,025	(12)
Funding from Metrolink Revenues/Reserves	10,399	10,399	-
Third Party Funding	11,070	11,070	-
Transfer from specific reserve	3,400	1,890	(1,510)
Other Government Grants	2,180	1,977	(203)
Total Revenue	217,724	215,999	(1,725)
Surplus /(deficit)	-	112	112

1.2 Total net expenditure of £215.89 million was £1.84 million lower than budget, mainly due to lower than budgeted concessionary support costs and savings made in the delivery of subsidised bus services costs, offset by non-capitalisable costs incurred in connection with the opening of the new Metrolink lines.

1.3 Due to the uncertainty over the future level of funding for concessionary support costs and the predicted increase in the costs of operating the scheme, a ring-fenced reserve was created in 2008/09 to be used when, as anticipated, the costs of operating the scheme exceed the available funding. For 2012/13, the

budget assumption was that £3.4 million of this reserve would be utilised. However, as a result of savings in the year, only £1.89 million of the reserve has been utilised. It is currently forecast that this reserve will be utilised over the next three years ending in 31 March 2016.

- 1.4 Savings from procurement efficiencies, and savings from the delivery of supported services, resulting from either combining routes and grouping contracts to achieve more effective use of available vehicles, or replacing scheduled services with Demand Responsive Transport services, as well as a lower level of de-registrations than in previous years and higher than budgeted revenues, resulted in a favourable variance of £2.85 million in net subsidised services costs. These savings are already reflected in the 2013/14 budget and leave little scope to accommodate the impact of any future operator de-registrations or failures.
- 1.5 Rail costs were £0.04 million lower than budget due to savings negotiated on certain rail support contracts during the year.
- 1.6 Accessible Transport costs were £0.04 million lower than budget due to lower than budgeted usage of travel vouchers.
- 1.7 Passenger Services, Facilities and Support costs were £2.37 million higher than budgeted principally as a result of non-capitalisable costs incurred in connection with the opening of the new Metrolink lines.
- 1.8 Financing costs were £0.45 million higher than budget, but in line with forecast, primarily due to the depreciation charges arising as a result of implementing the agreed light rail vehicle replacement strategy.
- 1.9 Grant-funded costs and the related grants were £0.20 million lower than budgeted, due to timing differences in expenditure on Local Sustainable Local Sustainable Transport Fund and Better Bus Area Fund schemes.
- 1.10 The net surplus of £0.11 million is after the transfer from the Concessionary Fares reserve.

TfGM Reserves

- 1.11 The Budget report to TfGMC on 15 March 2013 identified the maintenance of a General Fund Reserve of at least £9.3 million. As at 31 March 2013, the general reserves held by TfGM were £4.76 million. In addition to this balance, GMCA held £4.96 million, giving a total general reserve of £9.72 million.
- 1.12 Total other reserves held for specific purposes amounted to £34.94 million at 31 March 2013 and are currently forecast to amount to £23.0 million at 31 March 2014. The movement in the year includes the forecast transfer from the reserve created for concessionary support of £3.5 million, and utilisation of TfGM's share of the ring-fenced Metrolink reserve to fund the interest and principal costs of the borrowings taken out to fund the Metrolink capital programme.

2. 2013/14 Forecast Outturn

2.1 The table below summarises the year to date and the full year budget and forecasts of income and expenditure of TfGM, including the Transport Units.

	Period to May 2013			Latest Forecast	Approved Budget		Variance
	Actual	Budget	Variance		Budget	Variance	
	£m	£m	£m	£m	£m	£m	£m
Expenditure							
Concessionary Support	11.40	11.40	-	68.23	68.23	-	-
Supported Services	5.61	6.02	0.41	34.55	34.55	-	-
Rail	11.62	11.62	-	69.71	69.71	-	-
Accessible Transport	0.93	0.94	0.01	5.63	5.63	-	-
Passenger Services, Facilities & Support				-	-	-	-
Levy Funded Costs	6.10	6.53	0.44	38.76	38.76	-	-
Grant Funded Costs	(0.01)	0.69	0.70	4.82	4.82	-	-
Financing	1.13	1.15	0.02	6.89	6.89	-	-
Total Expenditure	36.77	38.34	1.58	228.59	228.59		-
Financed by:							
Levy	19.36	19.36	-	116.18	116.18	-	-
GMCA Traffic Signals	0.69	0.69	-	4.13	4.13	-	-
Rail Grant	11.83	11.88	(0.05)	71.28	71.28	-	-
Funding from Metrolink Revenues/Reserves	2.58	2.58	-	15.48	15.48	-	-
Third Party Funding	2.20	2.20	-	13.20	13.20	-	-
Transfer from specific reserve	0.58	0.58	-	3.50	3.50	-	-
Other Government Grants	(0.01)	0.69	(0.70)	4.82	4.82	-	-
Total Revenue	37.24	37.99	(0.75)	228.59	228.59		-
Surplus /(deficit)	0.46	(0.36)	0.83	-	-		-

2.2 Concessionary support costs are in line with budget in the year to date and are currently forecast to be in line with budget for the year. This assumes utilisation of £3.5 million of the reserve earmarked for concessionary travel. The reserve is currently forecast to be fully utilised by the end of 2015/16.

2.3 Supported Services costs are £0.41 million lower than budget in the period to the end of May 2013. Both general network and schools costs are below budget in the year to date, partly due to timing differences on survey and maintenance costs. The recent annual renewal of school contracts has generated savings against budget which has allowed the additional costs incurred due to the failure of Maytree Travel to be absorbed within the budget. Subsidised services income is above budget as a result of higher than budgeted levels of on bus and Travelcard income, as well as a higher than budgeted share of scholars' passes income. This is forecast to reverse over the year as a whole as the result of the reduced number of schools contracts being operated from September.

2.4 The Supported Services budget is currently forecast to be in line with budget for the year as, at this stage in the year, there still remain significant uncertainties due primarily to operator cost inflation driven by increases in fuel and other costs; the increased risk of rising levels of de-registration of commercial services; operator failure which, as has been recently seen in the case of Maytree, has resulted in increased costs; the potential impact of the changes in

BSOG administration which come into effect from October; and the level of income, including, in particular, for school services.

- 2.5 The budgeted figure for rail grants receivable and payable is £5.35 million higher than in the budget presented to TfGMC on 15 March 2013. This reflects the actual figures advised to TfGM by DfT in April after the budget had been agreed. There is no net effect on TfGM's accounts as the higher grant payment to Northern Rail is matched by a higher amount paid by DfT to TfGM. Rail grant income is £0.05 million lower than budget in the year to date as the through ticketing grant, which is included in the budget for the year at £325,000, has not yet been received.
- 2.6 The favourable variance on passenger services, facilities and support costs in the year to date is due primarily to timing differences in a number of areas. These variances are currently forecast to reverse by the year end.
- 2.7 The budgeted figure for other government grants and the related expenditure included under passenger services, facilities and support costs is £4.09 million lower than in the budget presented to TfGMC in March. This is the result of a review both of the timing and nature of expenditure on the Local Sustainable Transport Fund and better Bus Area Fund schemes which has resulted in certain costs being rephased into 2014/15 and certain costs being re-allocated against capital grants. The £0.7 million variance in the year to date reflects the reallocations of costs between revenue and capital in the period.
- 2.8 Actual net revenues from Metrolink are in line with budget for the first two months of the year. The forecast net revenues for the year are also in line with budget.

3. Recommendations

- 3.1 The recommendations appear at the front of this report.

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