Item 8

DECISIONS AGREED AT THE MEETING OF THE
PLANNING AND HOUSING COMMISSION
HELD ON 16 MARCH 2018

COMMISSION MEMBERS

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Marie Bintley  
Wigan Council
Mike Wright  
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Kerry Bond  
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01/18 APOLOGIES

The Chair welcomed all members to the meeting of the Planning and Housing Commission.

Apologies for absence were received on behalf of Councillors Bernard Priest, Philip Harding, John Taylor and David Molyneux. Steve Rumbelow, Simon Bedford, Steve Trusler, Sally Whiting, Paul Beardmore, Eamonn Boylan, Aisling McCourt, Anne Morgan and Richard Roe.

02/18 CHAIRS ANNOUNCEMENT AND URGENT BUSINESS

The Chair advised members that this would be Ian Munro’s last meeting due to his retirement, and conveyed thanks on behalf of Members of the Planning and Housing Commission and the GMCA for his excellent work and commitment over the years.

03/18 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST
There were no declarations of interest made in relation to any item on the agenda.

04/18  MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD 14 DECEMBER 2017

1. The minutes of the meeting held on 14 December 2017 were presented for consideration.

2. DCLG Planning Delivery Fund 2017

   The GMCA submitted three bids in 2017 for the Planning Delivery Fund which is intended to support authorities in areas of high housing need to plan for new homes and infrastructure, equipping them with the necessary resources to deliver the agenda set out in the housing White Paper, recognising that capacity and capability to deliver the scale and quality of housing growth being sought is limited in some key areas.

   Two of the Greater Manchester bids were won giving £950k revenue to support planning capacity, spending plans are being discussed with Local Authority Place Directors and Planning Officers to ensure that we have the expertise to take plans forwards.

3. Progress on GMS Implementation Plan

   Since the meeting held in December, work is ongoing and the draft Plan is taking shape, this will be shared with GMCA and Scrutiny Members at their April meetings.

RESOLVED/-

1. To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 14 September 2017.

2. To note the update on the DCLG Planning Delivery Fund and to receive an update to the next meeting.

3. To note the ongoing work for the draft GMS Implementation Plan.

4. That the draft GMS Implementation Plan be circulated to Members in April.

05/18  GREATER MANCHESTER SPATIAL FRAMEWORK

i. Actions from GMSF Workshop

   Members received a brief report giving a summary of the issues and actions from the GMSF workshop, under three key headings-
   - Existing Land Supply: it was suggested that a development session be arranged for Members to go through the figures in more detail and the assumptions behind them. A media release is currently being approved and will be circulated to Members and GM Leaders.
   - GMSF: a small working group has been convened, if Members require a session for all Members can be arranged to be held in April.
   - Communications: Jane Healey-Brown and Garreth Bruff are meeting with Urbed to discuss communication plans.
RESOLVED/-

1. That a development session be arranged for Members to go through the existing land supply figures in more detail.

2. That a copy of the final land supply press release be circulated Members and GM Leaders.

3. If required, a GMSF Members session be arranged for April if required.

ii. Developing a Transport Evidence Base

Members received a presentation from Mia Crowther, TfGM which gave an update on the GMSF Transport Study Evidence Base, including:

- An overview of key documents
- Timeline of work
- Update on GMSF Transport Study
- Intervention assessment criteria
- GMSF Transport Study documents content overview
- Other supporting work

Discussion took place and the following points were raised:

a. The need to ensure that there is alignment between transport supporting the GMSF and vice versa, this is a two way relationship.

b. The need to look at robust orbital transport links.

c. Affordability, accessibility, integration, standards.

d. Transport for North consultation events and their relationship with TfGM.

RESOLVED/-

1. To note the content of the presentation.

2. That part one of the Transport Study be circulated to GM Leaders within the next few weeks.

3. That this presentation be circulated to Members.

06/18 NATIONAL PLANNING POLICY FRAMEWORK AND RELATED ANNOUNCEMENTS

Members received a presentation from Chris Findley which gave a briefing on the National Planning Policy Framework which included:

- Background on the NPPF and the conclusion of previous consultations.
- The draft revised NPPF.
- Supporting Housing Delivery through Developer Contributions.
- Planning for the Right Homes in the Right Places: consultation proposals.
- Fixing Our Broken Housing Market: consultation.

Discussion took place and the following points were raised:
a. Housing need minimum and realistic assessments.
b. What constitutes affordable housing.
c. Homes England expectation of percentage of affordable housing per site.

RESOLVED/

1. To note the content of the presentation.
2. To receive an update at a future meeting.
3. That this presentation be circulated to Members.

07/18 HOMELESSNESS

Mike Wright, GMCA Strategic Lead for Homelessness presented the report updating Members on rough sleeping in Greater Manchester, summarising initiatives being developed to tackle homelessness and rough sleeping and the links with the wider planning and housing programme of work to support stronger links between different initiatives in the future.

RESOLVED/

That members note the contents of the report and the significant level of work being undertaken in Greater Manchester to tackle homelessness and rough sleeping with new resources secured and the links with the Planning and Housing Work Programme.

08/18 DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

7th June 2018
6th September 2018
4th December 2018

The above meetings will be held 2:00-4:00pm, The Boardroom, GMCA Offices, Churchgate House, Manchester, M1 6EU

Future Agenda items

- Brownfield land and “land banking”
- GMSF Transport Studies
- Housing Affordability evidence base
- Homelessness
- Cycling and walking plans
- Specialist housing, supported accommodation and extra care;
- Key environmental programmes.