
REPORT OF
THE CITY SOLICITOR

TO
COUNCIL
ON
10 OCTOBER 2018

TITLE: TRANSPORT FOR GREATER MANCHESTER (TFGM) COMMITTEE
GOVERNANCE ARRANGEMENTS

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the Council:

1. Agree the size of TfGM Committee as 23 members.
 2. Appoint Councillor Roger Jones to the TfGM Committee and nominate Councillor Barry Warner to be appointed by Greater Manchester Combined Authority (GMCA) to ensure political balance.
 3. Note that the remaining 2 appointments are 1 member appointed by GMCA and 1 member appointed by the Mayor for Greater Manchester.
 4. Agree to amend the Operating Agreement to reflect these changes.
 5. Note that the Terms of Reference will be reviewed to ensure that they reflect the Mayor for Greater Manchester's current transport powers with a further review in 2019/20 to reflect proposed powers.
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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

To advise the Council of revised governance arrangements for the TfGM Committee and seek agreement of the new Operating Agreement and confirm Council representation on the Committee.

BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS:

Governance and Constitution report approved by the Greater Manchester Combined Authority on 29 June 2018.

KEY DECISION: NO

DETAILS:

1.1 The GMCA approved a Constitution Report on 29 June 2018 in which, decisions were taken with regard to the Transport for Greater Manchester Committee. It was proposed that TfGM Committee would remain as a joint committee, but reduce in size to 23 members, from the current 33.

1.2 As the TfGM Committee is a joint committee of the ten districts of Greater Manchester, the GMCA and in future the Mayor for Greater Manchester, the proposal was that the 23 members are made up of one each from the districts with 2 from Manchester based on population (and therefore financial contribution to the levy), one from the GMCA, one appointed by the Mayor for Greater Manchester, with a further ten members nominated by the districts and appointed by the GMCA to reflect political balance across Greater Manchester.

1.3 Districts are requested to appoint their Transport and Highways Portfolio Leads to TfGM Committee as the committee is carrying out delegated functions of all parties.

1.4 A further review of the Operating Agreement and Terms of Reference of the Committee will be take place for 2019/20 when the final Greater Manchester Mayoral transport powers are agreed by Order.

1.5 The GMCA decided:-

- a) The size of TfGM Committee be confirmed as 23 members.
- b) The Operating Agreement of TfGM Committee be amended to reflect these changes.
- c) Noted that the Terms of Reference of TfGM Committee will be reviewed to ensure that they reflect the Mayor for Greater Manchester's current transport powers with a further review to be undertaken in 2019/20 to reflect proposed powers. 3

1.6 Furthermore, each Greater Manchester local authority was requested to:

- a) Agree the size of the TfGM Committee as 23 members.
- b) Appoint 1 member to the TfGM Committee, with the exception of Manchester City Council who will appoint 2 members, and nominate 1 member to be appointed by GMCA to ensure political balance.

c) Note that the remaining 2 appointments are 1 member appointed by GMCA and 1 member appointed by the Mayor for Greater Manchester.

d) Agree to amend the Operating Agreement to reflect these changes.

5. Note that the Terms of Reference will be reviewed to ensure that they reflect the Mayor for Greater Manchester's current transport powers with a further review in 2019/20 to reflect proposed powers.

APPOINTMENTS:

2.1 At the start of the 2018/19 Municipal Year all Councils were requested to make appointments to TfGM Committee, based on the previous structure until the new governance arrangements were in place.

Consequently at the Annual meeting on 18 July 2018, the Council appointed:

Councillor Roger Jones (Labour - Executive Support for Transport)
Councillor Barry Warner (Labour)
Councillor Robin Garrido (Conservative)

2.2 In accordance with the revised structure and noting that the required number of representatives has reduced, the Council is now requested to confirm the appointment of Councillor Roger Jones and nominate Councillor Barry Warner to be appointed by GMCA to ensure political balance

KEY COUNCIL POLICIES:

EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT AND IMPLICATIONS:

ASSESSMENT OF RISK: Low

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS Supplied by:
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FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS Supplied by: n/a

PROCUREMENT IMPLICATIONS Supplied by: n/a

HR IMPLICATIONS Supplied by: n/a

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WARDS TO WHICH REPORT RELATES: All