Minutes of the GMCA Resources Committee held on Friday 28 November 2025

PRESENT:

Andy Burnham Mayor of Greater Manchester

Councillor Mark Roberts Stockport

Councillor Tom Ross Trafford

Councillor Bev Craig Manchester

City Mayor, Paul Dennett Salford
Councillor David Molyneux Wigan

ALSO PRESENT:

Caroline Simpson Group Chief Executive, GMCA, FMFRS & TfGM

Gillian Duckworth Group Solicitor & Monitoring Officer

Kevin Lee Mayors' Office

Sarah Horseman Interim Director, Governance, Risk & Assurance, GMCA

Sylvia Welsh Head of Governance & Scrutiny, GMCA

RC/01/25/26 Apologies

That apologies be received and noted from Councillor Eamonn O'Brien (Bury).

RC/02/25/26 Appointment of Chair 2025/26

RESOLVED/-

That Andy Burnham, Mayor of Greater Manchester be appointed Chair of the Resources Committee for 2025/26.

RC/03/25/26 GMCA Resources Committee - Membership 2024/25

RESOLVED/-

That the membership of the GMCA Resources Committee, as agreed at the 27 June 2025 GMCA meeting, for 2025/26 be noted as follows:

Mayor of Greater Manchester, Andy Burnham (Lab)

Eamonn O'Brien (Bury) (Lab)

Bev Craig (Manchester) (Lab)

Tom Ross (Trafford) (Lab)

Paul Dennett (Salford) (Lab)

Mark Roberts (Stockport) (Lib Dem)

David Molyneux (Wigan) (Lab)

RC/04/25/26 Resources Committee - Terms of Reference

RESOLVED/-

That the Terms of Reference for the Resources Committee be noted.

RC/05/25/26 Declarations of Interest

No interests were declared at the meeting

RC/06/25/26 Chairs Announcements and Urgent Business

There were no Chair's announcements.

RC/07/25/26 Minutes of the meeting of the GMCA Resources Committee held

on 28 March 2025

RESOLVED/-

That the minutes of the meeting held on 28 March 2025 be approved as a correct record.

RC/08/25/26 Establishment of a Director of Organisational Development (Group) post

Caroline Simpson introduced a report which provided the Resources Committee with further update on the progress with the recommendations from the previous report in February 2025 and further updates to GMCA senior management roles to better align them with Greater Manchester Strategy priorities. The report also described the need for a permanent resource to continue the work around organisational development.

Some of the activity described in the report fell within existing delegations, however, there was a specific request of the Committee to recommend the establishment of a new post to of Director of Organisational Development (Group).

The Mayor of Greater Manchester confirmed that the role was important, especially around knitting together the teams across Greater Manchester and the Group.

The Group Chief Executive confirmed that the Director of Organisational Development was an attractive and challenging role for the right person and the recruitment would be undertaken at the same time as the recruitment for the Directors of Economy and Work and Skills.

Members also highlighted the recruitment was an opportunity to improve system leadership and the interface with Greater Manchester Local Authorities.

RESOLVED/-

- That the progress made since the last report to Resources Committee in February 2025 be noted.
- That the GMCA be recommended to establish a post of Director of
 Organisational Development (Group) as more fully described in section 4 of
 the report.