

**TRAFFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL**

**STATEMENT OF EXECUTIVE DECISION**

<b><u>DATE OF DECISION</u></b>	Monday, 2 November 2020	<b><u>DECISION MAKER</u></b>
<b><u>DECISION REFERENCE</u></b>	E/2.11.20/3	<b>Executive (Virtual Meeting)</b> (Councillors Participating: A. Western, Adshead, Freeman, Hynes, Patel, Ross, Slater and Wright)

**RECORD OF THE DECISION**

**GREATER MANCHESTER SPATIAL FRAMEWORK (GMSF): APPROVAL OF GMSF 2020 FOR CONSULTATION**

1. That the GMSF: Publication Draft 2020, be approved for publication, including strategic site allocations and Green Belt boundary amendments, and reference to the potential use of compulsory purchase powers to assist with site assembly, and the supporting background documents, for publication pursuant to Regulation 19 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012 for a period for representations between 1 December 2020 and 26 January 2021.

2. That it be recommended that Council approve the GMSF: Publication Draft 2020 for submission to the Secretary of State for examination following the period for representations.

3. That authority be delegated to the Corporate Director of Place, in consultation with the Executive Member for Housing and Regeneration, to approve the relevant Statement of Common Ground(s) required pursuant to the National Planning Policy Framework 2019.

4. That authority be delegated to the GM Lead Chief Executive for Housing, Homelessness and Infrastructure; in consultation with City Mayor, Paul Dennett, Portfolio Leader for Housing, Homelessness and Infrastructure to make minor or non-material amendments to the GMSF: Publication Draft 2020 and background documents prior to their publication.

**[NOTE:** A revised recommendation 1 had been circulated to Members prior to the meeting; and at the meeting, Members were advised of a number of minor amendments to the GMSF and associated documentation, which would be finalised prior to the proposed consultation.]

**REASONS FOR THE DECISION**

The GMSF enables a strategic approach to delivering growth and housing needs in GM and in Trafford and it will also set the strategic framework for the Local Plan. The GMSF needs to be approved by each LA in Greater Manchester to ensure that the Plan can progress to Examination and Adoption.

**ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED AT THE MEETING/BY MEMBERS**

The GMSF will ensure that development in GM and Trafford can come forward in a sustainable manner giving developers, investors, communities and the Council certainty in decisions on planning matters. The only other option is for Trafford to not be part of the GMSF, which would require Trafford to deliver a higher housing number, requiring the release of more Green Belt land in Trafford. Not progressing the GMSF risks greater uncertainty and delay in delivering sustainable growth in Trafford.

**CONFLICTS OF INTEREST DECLARED AND ANY ASSOCIATED DISPENSATION**

None.

**Scrutiny Call in Deadline**

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3 November 2020

**RECORDED BY:**

Corporate Director, Governance & Community Strategy

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**RECORD OF THE DECISION**

**APPROVAL TO CONSULT ON THE ALL AGE TRAVEL ASSISTANCE POLICY 2021/22**

1. That the content of the report including the proposed consultation approach be noted.
2. That approval be granted to commence the consultation.

**REASONS FOR THE DECISION**

The revised policy will ensure the resource for travel assistance is targeted at those who need it the most.

**ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED AT THE MEETING/BY MEMBERS**

Do nothing. The Council would not meet its statutory duty to review travel arrangements for service users, costs and charges, and eligibility to assistance and would lose the opportunity for making a saving.

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