

TRAFFORD COUNCIL

Report to: Council
Date: 26 September 2018
Report for: Decision
Report of: Corporate Director of Governance and Community Strategy

Report Title

Transport for Greater Manchester (TfGM) Committee Governance Arrangements

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.

Recommendation(s)

That the Council:

1. Agree the size of TfGM Committee as 23 members.
2. Appoint Councillor Adshead to TfGM Committee and nominate Councillor Hopps 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.
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's current transport powers with a further review in 2019/20 to reflect proposed powers.

Implications

Relationship to Policy Framework/Corporate Priorities	N/A
Financial	The Members' Allowances Scheme includes provision for the appointment to this body. The number of Trafford representatives has decreased from 3 to 2.
Legal Implications:	None
Equality/Diversity Implications	None
Sustainability Implications	None

Staffing/E-Government/Asset Management Implications	None
Risk Management Implications	None
Health and Safety Implications	None

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Background Papers:

Governance and Constitution report approved by the GMCA on 29 June 2018.

1. Background

- 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.
- 1.2 As TfGM Committee is a joint committee of the districts, the Combined Authority (CA) and in future the Mayor, 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 CA, one appointed by the Mayor, with a further ten members nominated by the districts and appointed by the CA 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 Mayoral transport powers are agreed by Order.
- 1.5 The GMCA decided:
 1. That the size of TfGM Committee be confirmed as 23 members.
 2. That the Operating Agreement of TfGM Committee be amended to reflect these changes.
 3. That it be noted that the Terms of Reference of TfGM Committee will be reviewed to ensure that they reflect the Mayor's current transport powers with a further review to be undertaken in 2019/20 to reflect proposed powers.

- 1.6 Furthermore, each Greater Manchester Local Authority was requested to:
1. Agree the size of TfGM Committee as 23 members.
 2. Appoint 1 member to TfGM Committee, save for Manchester City Council to appoint 2 members, and nominate 1 member to be appointed by 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.
 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's current transport powers with a further review in 2019/20 to reflect proposed powers.

2. 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 the Council appointed:

Councillor Adshead (Labour - the Transport Portfolio holder)
Councillor Cordingley (Labour)
Councillor Hopps (Conservative)

- 2.2 In accordance with the revised structure and noting that the required number of representatives has reduced, the Council is requested to confirm the appointment of Councillor Adshead as the portfolio lead and nominate Councillor Hopps to be appointed by GMCA to ensure political balance.