

**MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE
GREATER MANCHESTER INTEGRATED
TRANSPORT AUTHORITY HELD ON FRIDAY,
19 JUNE 2009**

PRESENT: Councillor Keith Whitmore (In the Chair)
Councillors Mark Aldred, Dylan Butt, David Chadwick,
Stuart Corris, Yvonne Creswell, Peter Davison, Jim
Dawson, Doreen Dickinson, John Dillon, Peter Evans,
Andrew Fender, Alan Godson, Roland Griffin, Patricia
Holland, Richard Knowles, Ian Macdonald, Eddie
McCulley, Brian Rigby, David Sandiford, Peter Scott, Colin
Shaw, Mike Smith, Val Stevens, Barry Theckston, Barry
Warner, David White, Alan Whitehead, David Wilkinson,
Michael Winstanley and Craig Wright

APOLOGIES: Councillors David Jones and Eunice Smethurst

ITA/9/9 URGENT BUSINESS

It was agreed that the draft Annual Report and Accounts be accepted as urgent business to be read in conjunction with the report previously circulated.

ITA/9/10 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations made.

ITA/9/11 MINUTES

RESOLVED/-

That the Minutes of the proceedings of a meeting of the Authority held on 17 April 2009 be approved as a correct record.

ITA/9/12 DEVELOPMENT AND OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

RESOLVED/-

That the Minutes of the proceedings of the Development and Operations Committee meeting on 1 May 2009 be received.

ITA/9/13 PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

RESOLVED/-

That the Minutes of the proceedings of the Performance Management Committee meeting held on 12 May 2009 be received.

ITA/9/14 TRANSPORT NETWORK COMMITTEE

RESOLVED/-

That the Minutes of the proceedings of the meeting of the Transport Network Committee held on 22 May 2009 be received.

ITA/9/15 POLICY COMMITTEE

RESOLVED/-

That the Minutes of the proceedings of the meeting of the Policy Committee held on 5 June 2009 be received.

ITA/9/16 EMERGENCY COMMITTEE

The Minutes of the proceedings of a meeting of the Emergency Committee held on 5 June 2009 were submitted. The recommendations of the Committee relating to the GMITA Committee Improvement Project were dealt with in conjunction with discussion of the item at Minute ITA/9/6 of the Annual Meeting business.

RESOLVED/-

That the Minutes of the proceedings of the meeting of the Emergency Committee held on 5 June 2009 be received.

ITA/9/17 AUDIT COMMITTEE

RESOLVED/-

That the Minutes of the proceedings of the Audit Committee meeting held on 5 June 2009 be received.

ITA/9/18 POLICY PRIORITIES

A report, presenting for the Authority's approval, a set of Policy Priorities, which will guide the work of the Authority during the 2009/10 municipal year, was submitted.

RESOLVED/-

1. That the proposed 2009/10 Policy Priorities set out in the report be approved.
2. That officers be requested to prepare a more detailed report setting out a process for the progression of the agreed priorities for consideration at the first meeting of the Policy and Resources Committee.

ITA/9/19 ADDITIONAL ROLLING STOCK

Consideration was given to a report on progress with the planning and delivery of additional rolling stock for Northern Rail through the High Level Output Specification process and seeking delegated powers to respond to the formal consultation by the Department for Transport. Members reiterated earlier concerns about DfT taking £8m per year out of rolling stock and there was still no agreement on whether the 5 units from the Oldham line could be retained for use elsewhere on the Greater Manchester Rail network.

RESOLVED/-

1. That it be noted that GMPTE and GMITA officers commenced discussions during the TIF process and these have intensified over the last six months;
2. That it also be noted that the DfT are developing a specification for the quantity of additional rolling stock required by the Northern Rail franchise and that the GMPTE will be asked to comment on this in the near future; and
3. That authority be delegated to the Clerk and Interim Chief Executive, in consultation with the Chair, Vice Chair and Leader of the Opposition, to agree a response.

ITA/9/20 TREASURY MANAGEMENT ANNUAL REPORT 2008-09

A report on the Treasury Management activities of the GMITA during 2008-09 was submitted.

RESOLVED/-

That the report be noted.

ITA/9/21 GMITA DRAFT ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS

The draft Annual Accounts of the GMITA for 2008-09 were submitted together with the Annual Governance Statement.

RESOLVED/-

1. That the draft Annual Accounts, which are subject to audit be approved.
2. That the Annual Governance Statement be approved.
3. That approval be given for an increase in the Metrolink Service Enhancement Programme reserve by £1.441 million by transferring the unused balance on the Development Costs Reserve.

4. That the GMITA 2008-09 Finance Costs saving of £3.192 million be transferred from the General Fund to a Finance Costs Reserve.
5. That agreement be given for borrowing totalling £19.983 million for the year, in respect of
 - Minor Works £1.694 million
 - Metrolink £18.289 million