

GREATER MANCHESTER INTERGRATED TRANSPORT AUTHORITY**REPORT FOR RESOLUTION****COMMITTEE:** Bus Network and GMPTE Services**DATE:** 12 March 2010**SUBJECT:** Bus Shelter Requests**REPORT OF:** Interim Bus/Rail Director, GMPTE**PURPOSE OF REPORT**

To consider the provision of shelters at specific locations in line with agreed policies.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Committee is recommended to:-

1. note the outcomes of the latest patronage surveys as set out in this report;
2. endorse officers' proposed actions as a result of the patronage surveys at the locations identified in this report;
3. to give recommendation on the two options presented in relation to a bus stop dispute.

BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

Information held on file in GMPTE offices including previous reports.

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1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to inform Members of specific cases which have been referred back to the Committee, in order to seek endorsement of officers' recommendations. The report also sets out shelter requests that have been received over the past three months and acquire determination by the Committee.

2. PATRONAGE SURVEY UPDATE

- 2.1 Since the last Committee meeting on 13 November 2009, seven patronage surveys have been undertaken, of which two have achieved the minimum passenger criteria. A breakdown per district is as detailed below.

District	Total No Surveyed	Surveys above Passenger Criteria	Surveys below Passenger Criteria
Bolton	0		
Bury	0		
Manchester	3	1	2
Oldham	0		
Rochdale	0		
Salford	1	1	
Stockport	0		
Tameside	0		
Trafford	2		2
Wigan	1		1

3. SHELTERS/STOPS REQUIRING COMMITTEE DETERMINATION

- 3.1 At stops where the required passenger numbers have been achieved, the PTE's Service Infrastructure Manager has assessed all relevant issues and made a recommendation for endorsement by the Committee.
- 3.2.1 To enable a full appraisal to be undertaken (for those sites which are submitted for endorsement) additional information such as the number of requests received, the frequency of services using the stop and an indication of the surrounding location has been compiled. Full details are attached as Appendix A to enable Members to factor these considerations into their deliberations.

3.3 Stops Meeting Passenger Criteria

STOP REF	MAIN ROAD	TOWN	DISTRICT	RECOMMENDATION
NF0121	Brookhouse Avenue	Peel Green	Salford	Approve for consultation
EB0388	Burnage Lane	Burnage	Manchester	Approve for consultation

3.4 Stops Failing to meet Passenger Criteria

STOP REF	MAIN ROAD	TOWN	DISTRICT	RECOMMENATION
SJ0380	Firsway	Sale	Trafford	Do not proceed
SJ0937	Riddings Road	Timperley	Trafford	Do not proceed
WK0989	Spa Road	Atherton	Wigan	Do not proceed
EB1167	Charlestown Road	Moston	Manchester	Do not proceed
SB1399	Upper Brook Street	City Centre	Manchester	Do not proceed

4. STOPS UNDER DISPUTE SUBMITTED FOR DETERMINATION

4.1 In addition to those stops requiring Member's endorsement, the following stop is submitted to the Committee for consideration/resolution.

4.2 Stockport Road, Stockport – SG3575

In May 2009, a Stockport Member, following concerns raised by a constituent, requested that consideration be given to the relocation of a bus stop outside 239 Stockport Road, so as to align with the existing bus box markings. To ensure level access is provided for alighting/boarding passengers, GMPTE design guidelines identify that 'bus box' road markings are aligned with raised platforms. However, at the stop in question, by observing existing road markings prevents buses stopping at the raised platform.

Following site visits and subsequent discussions with Stockport MBC, GMPTE officers are presenting two options for consideration by the Bus Network and Services Committee:

- 1) To extend the raised platform, however to undertake the works will cost in the region of £5,000. Subject to adoption of this option, Stockport MBC have verbally agreed to jointly fund the works.
- 2) If option 1 is not the preferred option or match funding can not be secured then GMPTE will request that Stockport MBC correct the bus box markings so as to align with the current raised platform. However, members are requested to note that the resident is opposed to this option.

Both options will ensure that level access is provided to alighting and boarding passengers who use the stop.

5. RECOMMENDATIONS

5.1 A full set of recommendations appears at the front of this report.

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