PRESENT:

Councillor Guy Harkin  Bolton (in the Chair)
Councillor Stuart Haslam*  Bolton
Councillor Andrew Fender  Manchester
Councillor James Larkin  Oldham
Councillor Geoff Abell*  Stockport
Councillor Annette Finnie  Stockport
Councillor Peter Robinson  Tameside
Councillor Michael Cordingley  Trafford
Councillor David Hopps  Trafford
Councillor June Reilly*  Trafford
Councillor Lynne Holland  Wigan
Councillor Eunice Smethurst  Wigan

* indicates substitute Member.

IN ATTENDANCE:

Bob Morris  Chief Operating Officer, TfGM
Daniel Vaughan  Metrolink Team, TfGM
Peter Boulton  Head of Programme Management, TfGM
Paul Harris  GMIST

CPP16/01  APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received and noted from Councillors Robin Garrido (Salford), Doreen Dickinson (Tameside), Roger Jones (Salford) and Howard Sykes (Oldham).
CPP16/02  URGENT BUSINESS AND CHAIR’S ANOUNCEMENTS

There were no items of urgent business reported or any announcements made by the Chair.

CPP16/03  DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of a pecuniary or personal interest made in relation to any item on the agenda.

CPP16/04  MEMBERSHIP OF THE COMMITTEE 2016/17

Resolved/-

That it be noted TfGMC, at its meeting on 10 June 2016, appointed the following Members to the Capital Projects and Policy Sub Committee and their substitutes:-

15 Members comprising of 10 Lab, 4 Con, 1 LD

Cllr Michael Cordingley        Lab   (Trafford)
Cllr Doreen Dickinson        Con   (Tameside)
Cllr Andrew Fender          Lab   (Manchester)
Cllr Annette Finnie         Con   (Stockport)
Cllr Robin Garrido         Con   (Salford)
Cllr Guy Harkin  (Chair)     Lab   (Bolton)
Cllr David Hopps          Con   (Trafford)
Cllr Roger Jones           Lab   (Salford)
Cllr James Larkin        Lab   (Oldham)
Cllr Peter Robinson       Lab   (Tameside)
Cllr Eunice Smethurst  (Deputy Chair) Lab   (Wigan)
Cllr Howard Sykes          Lib Dem (Oldham)
Cllr John Taylor           Lab   (Stockport)
Cllr Jamie Walker         Lab   (Bury)
Cllr Shah Wazir            Lab   (Rochdale)

Substitutes:
Cllr Geoff Abell          Lib Dem  (Stockport)
Cllr Noel Bayley          Lab   (Bury)
Cllr Warren Bray          Lab   (Tameside)
Cllr Norman Briggs        Lab   (Oldham)
Cllr Stuart Haslam       Con    (Bolton)
Cllr Patricia Holland     Lab     (Wigan)
Cllr Chris Paul           Lab   (Manchester)
Cllr June Reilly          Con    (Trafford)

CPP15/05  TERMS OF REFERENCE

Resolved/-
That it be noted that at its meeting on 10 June 2016, the TfGMC approved the following Terms of Reference for the Capital Projects and Policy Sub Committee:-

It is proposed that this Sub Committee meets six times per year, with the following Terms of Reference:-

The Capital Projects and Policy Sub Committee, in accordance with the Committee’s policies for integrated public transport:

1. Approves under delegated authority releases for capital schemes within the GMCA’s transport capital programme provided that the overall cost of any scheme does not exceed the budget allocated to it in the Capital Programme.

2. Monitors and, where appropriate, considers and resolves, under delegated authority, issues arising from the implementation of all capital schemes within the GMCA’s minor works capital programme, provided that the cost of any scheme does not exceed the budget allocated to it in the Capital Programme.

3. Monitors and, where appropriate, refers to TfGMC or GMCA for resolution issues arising from the implementation of the public transport schemes prioritised for delivery under the Greater Manchester Transport Fund.

4. Reviews the arrangements adopted by TfGM for the procurement of a representative cross section of capital projects, including the procurement routes and contractual arrangements used to ensure that they deliver best value.

5. Reviews the processes used for the evaluation and selection of design and delivery teams including the methods of assessment used to evaluate design and contractor bids and the arrangements proposed for the effective co-ordination of the design and delivery process.

6. Examines the internal TfGM arrangements for managing, developing and supporting the delivery of capital projects.

7. Considers issues arising from the tendering and implementation of all Metrolink capital contracts, and where appropriate refers them for resolution to TfGMC or GMCA.

8. Monitors on behalf of TfGMC all external transport capital projects agreed by Department for Transport and/or other agencies, to which the GMCA has no direct funding responsibility.

9. Considers and advises TfGMC on proposals for future capital programmes.

10. Undertake key elements of work on new policy development referred by TfGMC, for example, considering new fare regimes for
Metrolink or concessionary fares but it will be for TfGMC to determine and approve any changes to fares.

11. Undertake and receive reports relating to the monitoring functions with regard to the new, additional highways functions, including network management, road safety, traffic signals and traffic forecasting.

CPP15/06 PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS

Resolved/-

That it be noted that at its meeting on 10 June 2016, TfGMC approved the following 2016/17 programme of meetings for the Capital Projects and Policy Sub Committee:-

- Friday 24 June 2016 (2.00 pm)
- Friday 14 October 2016
- Friday 2 December 2016
- Friday 10 February 2017
- Friday 24 March 2017
- Friday 21 April 2017

It was also noted that the meetings were to commence at 10.30am unless indicated.

CPP15/07 MINUTES

The Minutes of the previous Sub Committee meeting held on 15 April 2016 were submitted.

Resolved/-

To approve the Minutes of the Capital Projects and Policy Sub Committee meeting held on 15 April 2016 as a correct record.

CPP15/09 METROLINK CAPITAL UPDATE

A report was presented which provided Members with an update on the progress to date of the Metrolink Capital programme, including the work on the extensions and the enhancements to the existing network. The progress of individual projects, including Tram Management System (TMS), the Metrolink Second City Crossing (2CC) and the Airport and Trafford Park lines was also presented.

Resolved/-

To note the progress made on the delivery of the new Metrolink lines, together with other works associated with the network expansion and improvements.
A report was presented which provided Members with an update on the recent progress in respect of a number of rail station infrastructure schemes and initiatives in Greater Manchester. These included:

- The Rail Station Improvement Strategy (RSIS)
- Rail Station Accessibility
- National Stations Improvement Programme (NSIP)
- Manchester Victoria - Major Scheme Enhancements
- Salford Central Rail Station
- Hattersley Rail Station
- Rail Station Based Park and Ride
- Cycle Hubs at Rail Stations; and
- Manchester Piccadilly – Automatic Ticket Barriers.

Following a comment from a Member regarding the installation of ticket barriers at platforms 4, 5, 6 and 7 Manchester Piccadilly, officers noted that TfGM had suggested amendments to the original scheme to reduce the potential for overcrowding on the station concourse.

With regard to Rail Station Accessibility, a Member noted the reduction in Government funding from £300 million to £100 million and that Greater Manchester stations had not benefited from this funding since 2012. In addition, reference was made to a recent article in Rail Magazine in which the Rail Minister indicates that this Access for All funding was to be reviewed. In light of these comments, it was suggested that the Chair of TfGMC undertakes to write to the Rail Minister to seek assurances on the Access for All funding.

Following a comment from a Member regarding the positioning of Passenger Information Screen at Newton for Hyde station, officers undertook to speak to the Member concerned away from the meeting.

Resolved/-

1) To note the contents of the report and the progress made on the various rail schemes and initiatives in recent months.
2) To agree that the Chair of TfGMC undertakes to write to the Rail Minister to seek assurances regarding Access for All funding for accessibility improvements at Greater Manchester Rail Stations.