

WEST MIDLANDS COMBINED AUTHORITY FORWARD PLAN: NOVEMBER 2021 - MARCH 2022

Title of Report	Summary of purpose and recommendations	Lead Portfolio Holder	Lead Officer	Confidential	Category
Meeting 19th November 2021					
Corporate Strategy	<p>Purpose: To approve the WMCA's Corporate Strategy for 2021/22 - 23/24.</p> <p>Recommendation(s): To agree the Corporate Strategy.</p> <p>Rationale/Background: Following the Mayoral election, the WMCA has worked with the Mayor and Leaders to agree a set of Aims and Objectives to guide the activity of the organisation. These aims and objectives will inform our Medium Term Financial Plan, as well as our annual budgets and deliverables.</p>	n/a	Laura Shoaf	No	Policy
Mental Health Commission	<p>Purpose: To provide an update on the work of the Mental Health Commission.</p> <p>Recommendation(s):</p> <p>Rationale/Background:</p>	n/a	Ed Cox	No	n/a
2021/22 High Level Deliverables	<p>Purpose: To consider the refreshed WMCA High Level Deliverables for 2021/22.</p> <p>Recommendation(s):</p>	n/a	Laura Shoaf	No	Policy

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Financial Monitoring 21/22	<p>Purpose: To outline the financial position of WMCA as at 31 May 2021 and provide an update on any current financial matters affecting WMCA</p> <p>Recommendation(s): To note the financial position as at 31 May 2021. To note the strategy for addressing the MTFP funding gap. And to approve the making of a Loan to for the construction of a Hotel in Coventry.</p> <p>Rationale/Background: This is the regular Financial Report to WMCA Board which covers the current position against the year to date budget ending 30 June 2021. It provides an update on how WMCA intend to address the financial deficits in the MTFP. The WMCA Board will be asked to approve the making of a loan to a new SPV to construct a new hotel in Coventry (completion expected before the Commonwealth Games), following Investment Board (29 June 2021) agreement of the proposal for onward approval by WMCA Board.</p>	Cllr Bob Sleigh	Linda Horne	No	Finance
Local Transport Plan Consultation Approval	<p>Purpose: The 26th UN Climate Change Conference of the Parties (COP 26) will take place in Glasgow in November 2021. Following the Summit with Leaders on the future of West Midlands transport strategy in September, a short LTP 'prospectus' will be published to tie in with the UK hosting COP26. The prospectus is proposed to be a short high-level document which will affirm the West Midland's commitments to working towards achieving a net zero transport system in the shortest possible time. The document will provide high</p>	Cllr Ian Ward	Laura Shoaf	No	Transport



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	<p>level messages around the emerging ambition for the new Local Transport Plan.</p> <p>Recommendation(s): TBC</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• That CA Board approves the high level principles which will be used to frame a new West Midlands LTP• That CA Board approves the publications of the LTP COP Prospectus• That CA Board notes the programme for taking the LTP to consultation and through to formal adoption <p>Rationale/Background: WMCA has a statutory duty to develop and implement a Local Transport Plan. Rapid decarbonisation of the transport system is a priority for a new WM LTP reflecting the ambition of the WM2041 strategy and the requirements of the UKs legal requirement to decarbonise by 2050.</p> <p>The West Midlands aims to be a leader within the green industrial revolution and the LTP provides an opportunity for the region to show Leadership in this space.</p>				
Contactless Fare Payments Broker System Full Business Case	<p>Purpose: To approve the full business case.</p> <p>Recommendation(s):</p> <p>Rationale/Background:</p>	Cllr Ian Ward	Anne Shaw	No	Transport



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Bus Delivery Options	<p>Purpose: To update CA Board on work undertaken over the last 18 months to assess delivery mechanisms for bus services in the West Midlands Region.</p> <p>Recommendation(s):</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. To approve the development of a Full Business Case assessment for Bus Franchising in the West Midlands, (funded through the Intracity Transport Fund?)2. To continue to explore alternative mechanisms to deliver the region's Vision for Bus whilst achieving long-term best value for public funding <p>Rationale/Background: In 2019, CA Board asked TfWM to assess future delivery options for Bus Services in the West Midlands in order to best achieve the objectives of the CA's adopted Vision for Bus. This work has reviewed options available to TfWM under the Bus Services Act 2017, including Franchising, and concludes there would be a positive case for undertaking a Full Business Case assessment.</p> <p>This report will seek approval to progress the Full Business Case and consider how TfWM will, at the same time, continue to develop alternative mechanisms to try and address the identified challenges within the current market through the ongoing development of partnership approaches.</p>	Cllr Ian Ward	Anne Shaw	No	Transport

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Equalities Scheme	<p>Purpose: To seek approval for the WMCA Equality Scheme 2022-24 in line with statutory requirements</p> <p>Recommendation(s): To approve the draft Equality Scheme 2022-24 for consultation with the aim of publishing the final version of the Scheme by March 2022</p> <p>Rationale/Background: The Equality Scheme 2022-24 is a statutory document setting out the WMCA's vision, ambitions, and proposed objectives for promoting equality, diversity and inclusion over the next three years. Regulation 5 of the Equality Act 2010 (Specific Duties and Public Authorities) Regulations 2017, requires public bodies to publish one or more equality objectives at up to four-year intervals to support the key aims of the public sector equality duties.</p> <p>The Scheme is fully aligned with the corporate strategy and draws out our key commitments, current activities and future plans in relation to equality and diversity, It will be finalised following engagement with the public.</p>	Cllr Brigid Jones	Ed Cox	No	Inclusive Communities
Rail Package 1 Proposals	<p>Purpose: To consider proposals for the acquisition of land to support platform works related to rail package 1.</p> <p>Recommendation(s):</p> <p>Rationale/Background:</p>	Cllr Ian Ward	Satish Mistry	Yes	Transport

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Meeting 14th January 2022					
Draft Annual Business Plan 2022/23	Purpose: Recommendation(s): Rationale/Background:	n/a	Laura Shoaf	No	Policy
Net Zero Neighbourhood	Purpose: Recommendation(s): Rationale/Background:	Cllr Ian Courts	Ed Cox	No	Environment & Energy
Draft WMCA Budget 2022/23	Purpose: Recommendation(s): Rationale/Background:	Cllr Bob Sleigh	Linda Horne	No	Finance
Financial Monitoring 2021/22	Purpose: Recommendation(s): Rationale/Background:	Cllr Bob Sleigh	Linda Horne	No	Finance
Meeting 11th February 2022					
Annual Business Plan 2022/23	Purpose:	n/a	Laura Shoaf	No	Policy



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	Recommendation(s): Rationale/Background:				
Final WMCA Budget 2022/23	Purpose: Recommendation(s): Rationale/Background:	Cllr Bob Sleigh	Linda Horne	No	Finance
Meeting 18th March 2022					
Financial Monitoring 2021/22	Purpose: Recommendation(s): Rationale/Background:	Cllr Bob Sleigh	Linda Horne	No	Finance