



West Midlands Combined Authority

Forward Plan

Forthcoming key decisions

Title of key decision:	Decision to be taken by and date:	Open or Exempt:	Portfolio Lead	Employee to contact:
HS2 Growth Delivery Programme To provide an update of the actions and activities undertaken over the last twelve months by the HS2 Regional Enterprise Board and the workstreams that support the delivery of the WMCA's HS2 programme.	WMCA Board 10 February 2023	Open	Councillor Ian Courts Environment, Energy & HS2 Portfolio Lead	Craig Wakeman Head of Transport Implementation
Investigation into financial breach - Metro city centre extension, Wolverhampton To update the board on the findings of the investigation.	WMCA Board 10 February 2023	Fully exempt	Councillor Bob Sleigh Finance Portfolio Lead	Helen Edwards, Director of Law and Governance
Local Transport Plan To seek approval of the latest draft of the Local Transport Plan for further public and stakeholder engagement.	WMCA Board 10 February 2023	Open	Councillor Ian Ward Transport Portfolio Lead	David Harris Transport Strategy and Place Manager - TfWM
Regional Activity & Delivery Update To provide an update on the activity and delivery across the region since the last meeting.	WMCA Board 10 February 2023	Open	Andy Street Mayor	Ed Cox Executive Director of Strategy, Integration & Net Zero
WMCA Budget 2023/2024 To approve the WMCA Budget 2023/2024	WMCA Board 10 February 2023	Open	Councillor Bob Sleigh Finance Portfolio Lead	Sally Truman Lead Financial Planning Accountant

<p>City Region Sustainable Transport Settlement - Metro Line 1 Business Case To consider the business case for essential renewal work to core elements of the existing line, including sections of key systems to ensure they continued to function correctly and avoided interruption to the service on the current routes.</p>	WMCA Board 17 March 2023	Open	Councillor Ian Ward Transport Portfolio Lead	Anne Shaw Executive Director of Transport for West Midlands
<p>City Region Sustainable Transport Settlement and Capital Pressures Setting out the formal annual return to Department for Transport on the City Region Sustainable Transport Settlement and addressing the formal Change Control Submission submitted to Department for Transport.</p>	WMCA Board 17 March 2023	Open	Councillor Ian Ward Transport Portfolio Lead	Anne Shaw Executive Director of Transport for West Midlands
<p>Commonwealth Games Legacy Fund To consider a report in relation to the Commonwealth Games Legacy Fund.</p>	WMCA Board 17 March 2023	Open	Councillor Bob Sleigh Deputy Mayor	Ed Cox, Executive Director of Strategy, Integration & Net Zero,
<p>Financial Monitoring 2022/23 To outline the latest financial position of WMCA and provide an update on any current financial matters affecting WMCA.</p>	WMCA Board 17 March 2023	Open	Councillor Bob Sleigh Finance Portfolio Lead	Linda Horne Executive Director of Finance & Business Hub
<p>Race Equalities Taskforce Action Plan To approve the action plan.</p>	WMCA Board 17 March 2023	Open	Councillor Kerrie Carmichael Inclusive Communities Portfolio Lead	Claire Dhami Head of Systems Change and Inclusion
<p>Regional Activity & Delivery Update To provide an update on the activity and delivery across the region since the last meeting</p>	WMCA Board 17 March 2023	Open	Andy Street Mayor	Laura Shoaf Chief Executive of the West Midlands Combined Authority

<p>Review of the West Midlands Growth Company To Review the West Midlands Growth Company</p>	<p>WMCA Board 17 March 2023</p>	<p>Open</p>	<p>Andy Street Mayor</p>	<p>Dr Julie Nugent Executive Director of Economy, Skills & Communities</p>
<p>Wednesbury - Brierley Hill Metro Extension Funding Mitigation Measures To consider the latest progress in securing the mitigation measures for addressing the funding gap identified for phase 1 of the project and to close the funding gap for the full scheme.</p>	<p>WMCA Board 17 March 2023</p>	<p>Fully exempt</p>	<p>Councillor Ian Ward Transport Portfolio Lead</p>	<p>Anne Shaw Executive Director of Transport for West Midlands</p>
<p>Appointment of WMCA Boards and Committees 2023/24 To approve consider the appointments to boards, chairs and meetings dates for 2023/24.</p>	<p>WMCA Board 9 June 2023</p>	<p>Open</p>	<p>Andy Street Mayor</p>	<p>Helen Edwards Director of Law and Governance</p>
<p>City Region Sustainable Transport Settlement Annual Report A report setting out the progress over the first year of the City Region Sustainable Transport Settlement programme and key matters and decisions arising for the remainder of the programme.</p>	<p>WMCA Board 9 June 2023</p>	<p>Open</p>	<p>Councillor Ian Ward Transport Portfolio Lead</p>	<p>Mike Waters Director of Policy, Strategy and Innovation - TfWM</p>
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<p>Overview and Scrutiny Annual Report To consider a report setting out the activity of overview & scrutiny during 2022/23.</p>	<p>WMCA Board 9 June 2023</p>	<p>Open</p>	<p>Councillor Bob Sleigh Deputy Mayor</p>	<p>Helen Edwards Director of Law and Governance</p>

<p>Supported Travel Policies Review A report setting out the WMCA's existing policies for directly supporting public transport and other sustainable travel options, including recommendations for options to refine these in the context of wider policy considerations.</p>	<p>WMCA Board</p>	<p>Open</p>	<p>Councillor Ian Ward Transport Portfolio Lead</p>	<p>Helen Davies, Mike Waters Principal Policy and Strategy Officer - TfWM, Director of Policy, Strategy and Innovation - TfWM</p>
<p>Transport Governance Review To consider the recommendations arising out of the review of the WMCA's transport governance.</p>	<p>WMCA Board 9 June 2023</p>	<p>Open</p>	<p>Councillor Bob Sleight Deputy Mayor</p>	<p>Helen Edwards Director of Law and Governance</p>

The Forward Plan

This document sets out known 'key decisions' that will be taken by the West Midlands Combined Authority (WMCA) over the coming months.

Forthcoming key decisions are published online to meet the statutory 28 day notification rule for each meeting where a key decision will be taken. Where it has not been possible to meet the 28 day rule for publication of notice of a key decision or an intention to meet in private, the relevant notices will be published as required by legislation as soon as possible.

What is a key decision?

A 'key decision' means a decision of the Mayor, WMCA or officer which is likely:

- (a) to result in the WMCA incurring expenditure, making savings or generating income amounting to £1m or more; or
- (b) to be significant in terms of its effects on communities living or working in an area comprising two or more wards in the area of the WMCA

The report relating to a decision, together with any other documents being considered, will be available five clear working days before the decision is to be taken (unless the documentation contains exempt information).

The forward plan also provides notice of when the WMCA may decide to exclude the press and public during consideration of a particular matter due to the potential for disclosure of confidential or exempt

information. The grounds upon which local authorities can exclude the press and public are specified by law and details of the exempt categories are available on request from the Governance Services team (governance.services@wmca.org.uk).

Councillors or members of the public wishing to:

- make a representation about why a matter should be heard in public, or
- submit information to the decision-making body about an item in the forward plan, or
- request details of relevant documents, or
- seek advice about the WMCA's decision-making arrangements,

should contact the Governance Services team: governance.services@wmca.org.uk