

**West Midlands Combined Authority – Decisions taken by the Transport Delivery Committee on Monday 10 October 2022**

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1.	Apologies for Absence	Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Robert Alden (Birmingham), Councillor Linda Bigham (Coventry), Councillor Bill Gavan (Sandwell), Councillor Saddak Miah (Birmingham) and Councillor Anne Millward (Dudley).
2.	Chair's Remarks	<p>The Chair paid tribute to former councillor Graham Wilkes, a former member of the West Midlands Passenger/Integrated Transport Authority, who had recently passed away.</p> <p>Councillor Mary Locke paid tribute to former councillors Mohammed Azim and Mohammed Fazal, former members of the Transport Delivery Committee, who had recently passed away.</p>
3.	Minutes - 11 July 2022	The minutes of the meeting held on the 11 July 2022 were agreed as a correct record.
4.	Matters Arising	None
5.	Forward Plan	The forward plan of items to be reported to futures meetings of the committee was noted.
6.	Financial Monitoring Report 2022 / 23	<p>(1) The year to date position as at the end of August 2022 against the Transport for West Midlands revenue budget, showing an overall favourable variance of £1.4m, was noted.</p> <p>(2) The Transport for West Midlands capital programme expenditure as at the end of August 2022, totalling £102.1m, which was £38.3m below budget, was noted.</p>
7.	Capital Programme Monitoring Delivery Report	<p>(1) The achievements since the July meeting of the Transport Delivery Committee were noted.</p> <p>(2) The progress of deliverables and outturn of the 2022/23 capital programme was noted.</p>

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		<p>(3) Where indicated, the variations from the baseline programme were noted.</p> <p>(4) The approach on future reporting arrangements to the Transport Delivery Committee were endorsed.</p>
<b>8.</b>	Rail Programme Update	The report was noted.
<b>9.</b>	Bus Service Improvement Plan Implementation	<p>(1) The proposed approach and activities to enable effective implementation of the Bus Service Improvement Plan were endorsed, recognising the detailed delivery arrangements would be subject to agreement with bus operators.</p> <p>(2) The proposal to adopt bus service registration powers from 1 January 2033 to align with the proposed amendment of the Enhanced Partnership, to include the introduction of route requirements within the West Midlands on or after this date, was endorsed.</p> <p>(3) The Enhanced Partnership variation 002 was approved.</p> <p>(4) The intent to revoke existing Advanced Quality Partnership Schemes, given they would be superseded by a further updated Enhanced Partnership (variation 003) later this year was noted, and the public consultation to this was approved.</p>
<b>10.</b>	West Midlands Bus Network - January 2023	<p>(1) The position of the West Midlands Bus Network Review, implemented as requested by the Government and due to come into place on 1 January 2023 was noted.</p> <p>(2) The changes outlined by commercial bus operators for bus service reductions</p>

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		<p>across the region was noted.</p> <p>(3) The combined impact that commercial bus de-registrations and the increased costs on buying bus service contracts was having on Transport for West Midlands’s ability to maintain delivery of its tendered bus network in the way it had historically in accordance with Access Standards, was noted.</p> <p>(4) A revision to the Value for Money criteria to £4.10 (option 2) within the wider Bus Access Standards to allow Transport for West Midlands to support a higher number of bus services than it would without changing this was approved.</p> <p>(5) The likely impact on the West Midlands bus network due to funding shortfalls despite this revaluation of the Value for Money Criteria was noted.</p> <p>(6) The proposals to support the development and implementation of some new transformational services through the Bus Service Improvement Plan that would mitigate some impacts of bus service cuts was welcomed.</p> <p>(7) Transport for West Midlands to use its best endeavours to work with bus operators to retrain as much as possible of the subsidised bus network.</p> <p>(8) Transport for West Midlands lobby the Government for additional funding to support the subsidised bus network.</p>
<b>11.</b>	Metro Monitoring Delivery Update	It was agreed that this update would be deferred and become a key item for consideration at the next Rail & Metro Member Engagement Group meeting.

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12.	Walking & Cycling Monitoring Update	The progress to date of the Transport for West Midlands-led initiatives of the cycling and walking programme was noted.
13.	Tram Naming Update	It was agreed that this it would be deferred and would be considered at the next Rail & Metro Member Engagement Group meeting.
14.	Transport Services Recovery Update	It was agreed that this item be deferred to the next meeting of the committee.
15.	Notice of Motion	It was agreed that this item would be deferred to the next meeting of the committee.
16.	Member Engagement Groups Update	The recent activities of the committee’s Member Engagement Groups was noted.
17.	Exclusion of Public and Press	The public and press were excluded from the meeting.
19.	Date of Next Meeting	Monday 14 November 2022 at 1.00pm.