

GMCA Audit Committee

Date: 23rd July 2025

Subject: GMCA – Draft 2024/25 Annual Governance Statement

Report of: Gillian Duckworth, GMCA Group Solicitor & Monitoring Officer and Steve

Wilson, Group Chief Finance Officer, GMCA

Purpose of Report

To provide the Committee with the draft 2024/25 Annual Governance Statement (attached as appendix A) for comment, prior to coming back to the Committee as a finalised version for approval at the next meeting.

Recommendations:

The Audit Committee is requested to:

- (1) consider and comment on the draft Annual Governance Statement;
- (2) suggest any amendments to the draft Annual Governance Statement; and
- (3) following the insertion of any amendments, endorse the Annual Governance Statement for submission to the next meeting of the Committee.

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Equalities Impact, Carbon and Sustainability Assessment:

n/a

Risk Management

The AGS forms part of GMCA's risk management arrangements.

Legal Considerations

Legal requirements are referred to throughout the AGS.

Financial Consequences - Revenue

There are no specific revenue considerations contained within the report.

Financial Consequences - Capital

There are no specific capital considerations contained within the report.

Number of attachments to the report: 1 (Draft Annual Governance Statement)

Comments/recommendations from Overview & Scrutiny Committee

n/a

Background Papers

GMCA Constitution: GMCAConstitution2023Final.docx.pdf (greatermanchester-ca.gov.uk)

Tracking/ Process

Does this report relate to a major strategic decision, as set out in the GMCA Constitution Yes / No