GM PLANNING AND HOUSING COMMISSION:

1 ROLE AND TERMS OF REFERENCE

1.1 The role of the Commission is to:

Bring together public and private sector partners to drive forward and support efforts to deliver Greater Manchester's growth ambitions, as set out in the Greater Manchester Strategy.

Its objectives are:

- helping to create the strategic framework within which Greater Manchester's spaces and places can nurture future success;
- stimulating and reshaping our housing market;
- crafting a plan for growth and infrastructure; and
- working with Districts and delivery partners to revitalise our principal town centres.

Amongst the ways in which it would fulfil these objectives will be to:

- Commission and publish research on planning and housing, to inform policy and decisions by the GMCA/AGMA and other GM strategic bodies, e.g the Local Enterprise Partnership as well as individual districts
- Provide advice to the GMCA/AGMA on strategic planning and housing issues.
- On behalf of the GMCA, engage in dialogue with Government on planning and housing issues and respond to consultations.
- Work with a range of agencies and delivery partners to develop and oversee programmes at the GM scale, ensuring that the planning and housing priorities set out in the GM Strategy are taken forward and implemented by a range of partners.
- Oversight of the strategic alignment of other strategies for growth with those relating to planning and housing, working with other strategic groups within GM.

2 MEMBERSHIP AND ADVICE

- 2.1 The membership is:
 - The GM Portfolio Holder for Planning and Housing (Chair)
 - A representative of the GM Housing CEO's Group
 - A representative from infrastructure providers United Utilities
 - One elected member from each of the ten GM authorities, nominated annually at the GMCA/AGMA AGM
 - Three Private Sector Members, reflecting planning and housing expertise, each with a three year term of office.
- 2.2 A vice chair is also appointed by the group from within this membership.
- 2.3 Deputy GM Portfolio Holders for Planning and Housing will also be invited to take part in all Commission meetings.
- 2.4 Advice and support to the PHC is provided by the lead Chief Executive for Planning and Housing, as well as the GM Planning and Housing Team. Democratic support and policy management is through the GM Integrated Support Team. In addition, the Commission identifies and appoints its own advisors to attend meetings or provide written advice on specific issues. Current advisors are appointed from:
 - The Homes and Communities Agency
 - The Environment Agency

3 ACCOUNTABILITY

3.1 The Commission reports to both the GMCA and AGMA Executive Board through its Chair and the lead Chief Executive for Planning and Housing.

As agreed by Planning and Housing Commission October 2016 and Joint GMCA and AGMA December 2016.