

Transport for the North Board Agenda

Date of Meeting	Monday 16 March 2026
Time of Meeting	1.00 pm
Venue	The Queens Hotel Leeds

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1.0	Appointment of Chair (1 minute) Lead: Joanne Barclay	
2.0	Welcome & Apologies (1 minute) The Chair to welcome Members and the public to the meeting. Lead: Chair	
3.0	Declarations of Interest (1 minute) Members are required to declare any personal, prejudicial or disclosable pecuniary interest they may have relating to items on the agenda and state the nature of such interest. Lead: Chair	
4.0	Minutes of the Previous Meeting and Chief Executive's Update (5 minutes) To approve the minutes of the Consultation Call meeting held on 20 November 2025 as well as the minutes from meeting of 4 September 2025 (including updates on agreed matters as appropriate). Lead: Chair	5 - 16
5.0	Governance and Constitutional Matters (10 minutes) To consider and approve the recommendations of the General Purposes Committee matters pertinent to the Annual Meeting, as well as the recommendations of the General Purposes Committee, the extension of interim S151 arrangements, and appointment of co-chairs until the next	17 - 30

	Annual Meeting. Lead: Joanne Barclay	
6.0	Annual Statement of Accounts, including Annual Governance Statement 2024/25 (10 minutes) To consider and approve the Accounts for 2024/25. Lead: Lisa Pitt/Keith Mitchell	31 - 118
7.0	Rail North Committee Update (10 minutes) To consider the report of the Rail North Committee held on 17 February 2026 and approve the proposal to submit statutory advice in respect of rail freight. Lead: Katie Day	119 - 130
8.0	Corporate Risk Register Update (5 minutes) To note the update on the corporate risk register. Lead: Katie Day	131 - 140
9.0	Date and Time of Next Meeting The next meeting will be held on 29 June 2026 at 1pm at the Greater Manchester Combined Authority Broadhurst House, 1st Floor, 56 Oxford Street, Manchester, M1 6EU.	
10.0	Exclusion of Press and Public The reports relating to the remaining items on the agenda have been withheld from public circulation and deposit pursuant to Section 100(B)(2) of the Local Government Act 1972 as amended on the grounds that the matters may be determined with the press and public excluded. Draft Resolution: That the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items pursuant to Section 100(A)4 of the Local Government Act 1972 on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraphs 2 and 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended) and public interest would not be served in publishing the information.	
11.0	Part 2 Minutes of the Previous Meeting To approve the Part 2 minutes of the Consultation Call meeting held on 20 November 2025 as well as the Part 2 minutes from meeting of 4 September 2025 (including updates on agreed matters as appropriate). Lead: Chair	141 - 148
12.0	Budget and Business Plan for 2026/27 (30 minutes)	149 - 172

	To consider and approve the Budget and Business Plan. Lead: Martin Tugwell	
13.0	Executive Leadership To receive an update and agree the preferred way forward. Lead: Chair/Joanne Barclay/Stephen Hipwell	173 - 174
14.0	Northern Powerhouse Rail Update (25 minutes) To receive an update on the programme. Lead: Katie Day	175 - 180