REPORT TO SHEVINGTON PARISH COUNCIL POLICY AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE JUNE 1ST 2017

THE NEW MAYOR OF GREATER MANCHESTER'S RESPONSIBILITIES.

The new mayor of Greater Manchester is accountable to and represents the people of all 10 boroughs in Greater Manchester, the Mayor .He oversees an economy larger than that of Wales and has one of the largest electoral mandates in the UK.

He will steer the work of Greater Manchester's Combined Authority, leading on issues such as the economy, transport, police and fire services. Together we will bring to life the plans to make Greater Manchester one of the best places in the world.

He will be responsible for transforming public services and shaping the future of our region, the Mayor will represent Greater Manchester people, making the case for our region at the heart of government and on the world stage. He will allow us to speak as one as we demand a fairer deal and build a better quality of life for the people who live here.

He will join Greater Manchester's Combined Authority as its chair and eleventh member. The leaders of the 10 councils will form the Mayor's Cabinet. He will also be supported by a Deputy Mayor for Policing and Crime, and a Deputy Mayor for Economic Growth and Business.

The job of the Mayor will range from setting budgets and priorities for Greater Manchester's public services to acting as an ambassador for the region.

- He will be responsible for the transport budget our region receives from Government, as well as the future of bus services in Greater Manchester.
- The Mayor will be the public's voice on policing matters, taking on the responsibilities of the Police and Crime Commissioner.
- He will make strategic decisions about the fire service and set its budget, taking on the responsibilities of the Fire & Rescue Authority.
- The Mayor will be responsible for a £300 million housing investment fund and the creation of a spatial framework for the whole of Greater Manchester. The spatial framework has to be approved by the 10 councils.

He will be able to make some decisions independently, but others will involve consultation and approval of the Mayor's Cabinet. Some decisions will need unanimous support, others will need a majority

Barry King

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