

# Explaining devolution for Greater Manchester

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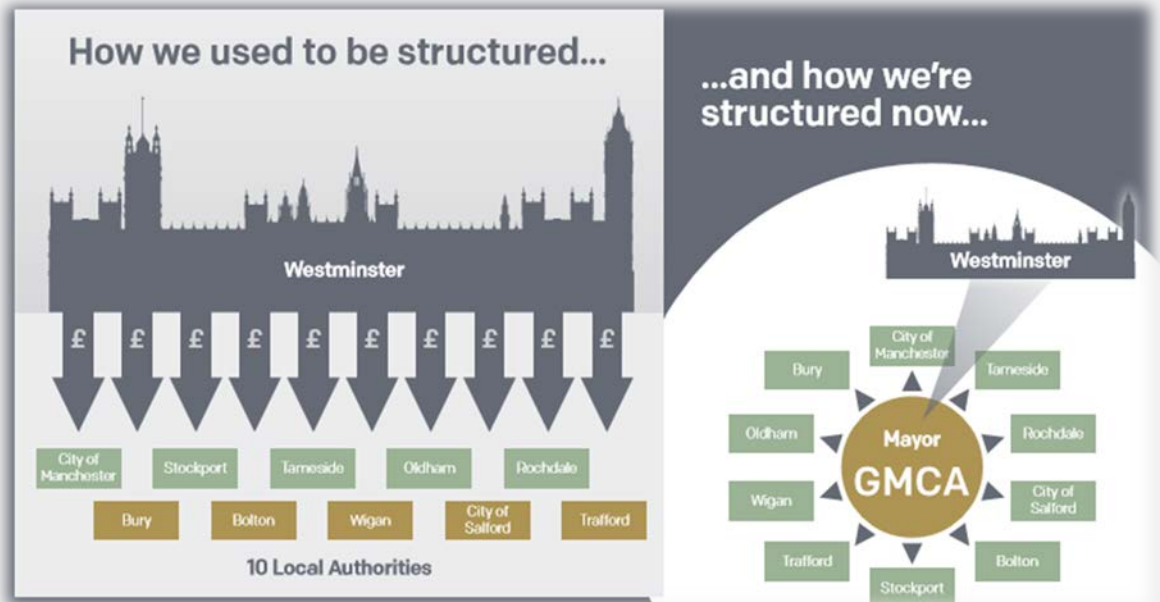
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# Devolution: an introduction

- Brings control closer to residents – influence for councillors, more say for citizens
- Unites the ten parts of Greater Manchester and makes us more independent
- Influence over our own destiny across key policy areas
- Part of Greater Manchester's journey to being one of the best places in the world

# Closer to power

- Less reliant on Westminster – level of govt removed
- More freedom and flexibility
- More say for local people



# How it works

- Ten areas uniting with a common purpose as the Greater Manchester Combined Authority
- Ground-breaking partnership between GMCA, the Mayor, the NHS, transport, police and fire service
- New Mayor – but much more than that



# Real autonomy

- More cohesive, coherent place, thanks to uniting Greater Manchester behind shared goals that we can control
- Not just a ceremonial change, a whole layer of bureaucracy removed
- New powers and a wider remit

# More control

- Key powers: health and care, public services, transport, planning and housing, sustainability, fire, police and crime, skills and employment, investment and business development
- More control of money and access to new funds to help growth and reform
- This means growth, choice and better planning across public services

# Starting well, living well, aging well

- Four key areas in health and care:
  - Preventing ill health by helping people at every stage in life
  - Local community NHS, care and support services working better together
  - Hospitals working better together
  - Sharing our assets – buildings, roles, ideas and ways of working

# Joining up support systems

- Transforming our public services through integration at a local level
- Looking at new ways to support people with ill health, or difficult or complex lives, by identifying problems early, helping them tackle those problems and learning from their experiences to support others



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# Making travel easier

- Developing a high quality, fully integrated transport system for Greater Manchester
- This will support our growth plans
- Building on the success of the Metrolink, transforming the local bus network, being bike- and pedestrian-friendly, and ensuring the roads are reliable and safe



# Right places for living and working

- A joint plan to manage the supply of land for the industry, jobs and new homes we need across the region up to 2035
- Building 9,000 more homes every year from now until 2020
- Turning empty houses into new homes



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# A cleaner, greener region

- Reducing Greater Manchester's carbon footprint to make the most of the region's energy and resources
- Helping businesses, residents and the public sector be more energy efficient
- Investing in our natural environment to respond to climate change and improve quality of life



# Making our area safer

- Police, fire and community safety working together
- Jointly identifying and dealing with likely risks to the community
- Focus on prevention, or early intervention, before problems become difficult to reverse





# Skills that employers want

- Economic investment has already created 8,500 new jobs
- A further 100,000 will be created by 2023
- Working with employers, colleges and agencies to give people the skills and qualifications that businesses really want



# Investing in our future

- Supporting growth across the region by removing barriers to investment, making it easier to set up new enterprises and helping existing business grow
- Already supported more than 90 companies across Greater Manchester with around £165m through our core investment fund



# The journey has begun

- Making Greater Manchester one of the best places in the world to live, work and learn
- Lots already happening, lots to do
- Culmination of a long history of working together
- Election of a new Mayor in 2017

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