EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This order amends the Greater Manchester Combined Authority Order (S.I. 2011/908).

Part 6 of the Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Act 2009 ("the 2009 Act") provides for the establishment of combined authorities for the areas of two or more local authorities in England. Combined authorities are bodies corporate which may be given power to exercise functions relating to transport and to economic development and regeneration in their area.

The Secretary of State may only make changes to existing combined authority arrangements for an area where a scheme for such an authority has been published under section 112 of the 2009 Act. This Order has been made following the publication of such a scheme on 19th December 2014 by the constituent councils whose areas together make up the Greater Manchester Combined Authority. The scheme is available at http://www.manchester.gov.uk/gmca.

Article 4 of the Order allows for the appointment of an additional member of the Greater Manchester Combined Authority, to be known as the Interim Mayor, and provides for the eligibility requirements, appointment process, the maximum term of appointment, voting rights, the procedures concerning resignation and termination and remuneration. Article 4(6) amends the final paragraph (remuneration) of Schedule 1 of the Greater Manchester Combined Authority Order (S.I. 2011/908).

A full regulatory impact assessment has not been prepared as this instrument will have no impact on the costs of business and the voluntary sector.