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**Manchester City Council  
Report for Information**

**Report to:** Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee – 21 May 2018

**Subject:** Overview Report

**Report of:** Governance and Scrutiny Support Unit

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**Summary**

This report provides the following information:

- Recommendations Monitor
- Key Decisions
- Items for information
- Work Programme

**Recommendation**

The Committee is invited to discuss the information provided and agree any changes to the work programme that are necessary.

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**Wards Affected:** All

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**Background Documents (available for public inspection):**

None

## 1. Monitoring Previous Recommendations

This section of the report contains recommendations made by the Committee, responses to them, if they will be implemented, and if it will be, how this will be done.

Date	Item	Recommendation	Action	Contact Officer
5 September 2017	CYP/17/40 School Place Planning and Admissions	To request further information on the number of siblings who have been allocated places at different schools.	A response to this recommendation has been requested and will be reported back to the Committee via the Overview report.	Michelle Devine, Interim Head of Access
5 September 2017	CYP/17/41 School Governance Update	To recommend that the Council work to increase recruitment of school governors who reflected the diversity of the local community.	A response to this recommendation has been requested and will be reported back to the Committee via the Overview report.	Ruth Bradbury, School Governance Lead
5 December 2017	CYP/17/64 Update on Manchester's implementation of the Special Educational Needs and Disability (SEND) reforms introduced in 2014	To request a breakdown of the ethnicity of children with SEND and of the children with SEND who were excluded from school.	A response to this recommendation has been requested and will be reported back to the Committee via the Overview report.	Amanda Corcoran, Director of Education/ Julie Hicklin, SEND Lead
2 January 2018	CYP/18/02 Re-inspection of services for	To recommend that the Communities and Equalities Scrutiny Committee and the	A response to this recommendation will be reported back to the Committee via the Overview report.	Rachel McKeon, Scrutiny

	children in need of help and protection, children looked after and care leavers	Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee jointly consider domestic abuse, in particular the issue raised in the Ofsted report, during the next municipal year, and to note that this will also be discussed at a meeting of the Corporate Parenting Panel.		Support Officer
30 January 2018	CYP/18/07 Updated Financial Strategy and Directorate Budget and Business Plans 2018-2020	To request that a visit to an Early Help Hub be arranged for Members of the Committee.	This will be arranged, in consultation with the Committee's new Chair.	Rachel McKeon, Scrutiny Support Officer
27 February 2018	CYP/18/13 Minutes	To request that the Scrutiny Support Officer circulate the dates of the scheduled future meetings of the Schools Funding Forum to the Committee.	This was circulated to Members by email on 28 February 2018.	Rachel McKeon, Scrutiny Support Officer
27 February 2018	CYP/18/14 Update on School Exclusions	To request that the Director of Education share school-level data on exclusions with the Chair.	A response to this recommendation has been requested and will be reported back to the Committee via the Overview report.	Amanda Corcoran, Director of Education
27 February 2018	CYP/18/14 Update on School	To request that the Committee visit schools which are successful in preventing pupils	This will be arranged, in consultation with the Committee's new Chair.	Rachel McKeon, Scrutiny

	Exclusions	from being excluded to identify good practice.		Support Officer
27 February 2018	CYP/18/15 Attainment and Progress 2017	To request more information on the MSA conference for governors.	This was circulated to Members by email on 1 March 2018.	Rachel McKeon, Scrutiny Support Officer
27 February 2018	CYP/18/16 The Employment of Children	To request that the Council carry out a social media campaign to raise awareness of the legislation relating to child employment.	A response to this recommendation has been requested and will be reported back to the Committee via the Overview report.	Amanda Corcoran, Director of Education
27 February 2018	CYP/18/17 Post Ofsted Improvement Plan Update: Children's Services Workforce Strategy	To recommend that the Corporate Parenting Panel consider the quality of social work assessments at a future meeting.	This will be referred to the Corporate Parenting Panel.	Rachel McKeon, Scrutiny Support Officer

## 2. Key Decisions

The Council is required to publish details of key decisions that will be taken at least 28 days before the decision is due to be taken. Details of key decisions that are due to be taken are published on a monthly basis in the Register of Key Decisions.

A key decision, as defined in the Council's Constitution is an executive decision, which is likely:

- To result in the Council incurring expenditure which is, or the making of savings which are, significant having regard to the Council's budget for the service or function to which the decision relates, or
- To be significant in terms of its effects on communities living or working in an area comprising two or more wards in the area of the city.

The Council Constitution defines 'significant' as being expenditure or savings (including the loss of income or capital receipts) in excess of £500k, providing that is not more than 10% of the gross operating expenditure for any budget heading in the in the Council's Revenue Budget Book, and subject to other defined exceptions.

An extract of the most recent Register of Key Decisions, published on **1 May 2018** containing details of the decisions under the Committee's remit is included below. This is to keep members informed of what decisions are being taken and, where appropriate, include in the work programme of the Committee.

**Register of Key Decisions:**

Decision title	What is the decision?	Decision maker	Planned date of decision	Documents that will be considered	Contact officer details
Capital Investment in schools  Ref: 2016/02/01D	The approval of capital expenditure in relation to the creation of school places through new builds or expansions.	City Treasurer	January 2018 or later	Gateway 5 (procurement document)	Amanda Corcoran 0161 234 4314 a.corcoran@manchester.gov.uk
School Crossings  Ref: 2017/05/02/A	The approval of capital expenditure for the purpose of the introduction of controlled school crossings.	City Treasurer	March 2018 or later	Capital expenditure approval reports	Kevin Gillham 0161 234 5148 k.gillham@manchester.gov.uk
Organisation of Special Educational Needs provision  Ref:	Agree to a prescribed alteration to Rodney House school to change designated age range and number of places.	The Executive	March 2018 or later	Report outlining proposals. Outcomes of consultation process.	Amanda Corcoran Interim Director of Education 0161 234 1866 a.corcoran@manchester.gov.uk

Decision title	What is the decision?	Decision maker	Planned date of decision	Documents that will be considered	Contact officer details
2016/06/28	Agree to proposed changes to Sensory Services following consultation.				
School Place Planning Report  Ref: 2018/04/16A	Approval on the strategy and spend options for the 19/20 basic need allocation.	Executive	May 2018	Children and Young People Scrutiny report	Name:Amanda Corcoran Position:Director of Education Tel no:234 4314 Email address:a.corcoran@manchester.gov.uk
Looked After Children Investment Fund  Ref: 2016/03/16B	To approve the continued draw down from the Looked After Children Investment Fund as required throughout 2016/17.	Chief Executive in consultation with the City Treasurer	March 2018 or later	Not Applicable	Paul Marshall 0161 234 3804 paul.marshall@manchester.gov.uk  Simon Finch 0161 234 5016 s.finch@manchester.gov.uk
Leaving Care Services  Ref: 2018/03/21B	It is resolved for MCC to decommission the current 3rd party contract and establish a 'Wholly Owned Trading Company' to deliver Leaving Care Services.	The Executive	30/5/18	Report, supporting documents and recommendations	Name: Paul Marshall Position: Strategic Director Tel no: 0161 234 3804 Email address: paul.marshall@manchester.gov.uk

Decision title	What is the decision?	Decision maker	Planned date of decision	Documents that will be considered	Contact officer details
Children and Young People Foster Care Flexible Purchasing System  Ref: 2018/05/1D	Approval to use the North West FPS for the delivery of Foster Care services	Strategic Director of Children's Services	May 2018	Contract Report and recommendation	Mike Worsley Procurement Manager Tel: 0161 234 3080 Email: mike.worsley@manchester.gov.uk

**Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee  
Work Programme – May 2018**

<b>Monday 21 May 2018, 2.00pm (Report deadline Wednesday 9 May 2018)</b>				
<b>Item</b>	<b>Purpose</b>	<b>Executive Member</b>	<b>Strategic Director/ Lead Officer</b>	<b>Comments</b>
Children and Young People's Services - Overview and key issues	To receive an oral report on the upcoming issues and challenges within the Committee's remit.	Executive Member for Children's Services Councillor Rahman	Paul Marshall/ Amanda Corcoran	
Post Ofsted Improvement Plan Update	To receive an update on progress, to include an update on the integration of Education and Children's Services.	Executive Member for Children's Services Councillor Rahman	Paul Marshall/Sean McKendrick	
Placement Sufficiency	To receive an update on sufficiency of placements for Looked After Children (LAC).	Executive Member for Children's Services	Paul Marshall/Sean McKendrick	
School Place Planning	To receive a report on school place planning, including special schools and alternative provision.	Councillor Rahman	Amanda Corcoran	Executive report
Final report and recommendations of the Road Safety Around Schools Task and Finish Task Group	To receive the final report and recommendations of the Road Safety Around Schools Task and Finish Task Group.	Councillor Rahman Councillor Stogia	Lee Walker	TBC Invitation to be sent to Cllr Reid, Chair of the Task and Finish Group
Ofsted Subgroup- to	The report seeks the Committee's approval to re-	-	Rachel	



re-establish	establish the Ofsted Subgroup for the 2018/19 municipal year.		McKeon	
Overview Report	The monthly report includes the recommendations monitor, relevant key decisions, the Committee's work programme and any items for information.	-	Rachel McKeon	
Annual Work Programming Session	The meeting will close for the annual work programming session where members determine the work programme for the forthcoming year.		Rachel McKeon	

**Tuesday 19 June 2018, 2.00pm (Report deadline Thursday 7 June 2018)**

Item	Purpose	Executive Member	Strategic Director/ Lead Officer	Comments
Review of Leaving Care Services	To receive a report on the review of future service delivery models for Leaving Care Services.	Executive Member for Children's Services	Paul Marshall	Executive Report See June 2017 minutes Invite relevant scrutiny chairs
Overview Report		-	Rachel McKeon	

**Items To be Scheduled**

Item	Purpose	Executive Member	Strategic Director/ Lead Officer	Comments
Annual Adoption and Fostering report	To receive a report on the Council's performance in relation to its adoption and fostering services	Executive Member for Children's	Paul Marshall	

		Services		
Changes to Lancasterian Sensory Support Service	To receive a further report in a year's time in order to monitor the impact of the changes.	Councillor Rahman	Amanda Corcoran	May 2018 - TBC See February 2017 minutes
Children and Young People's Health, including Mental Health	To receive a further report at an appropriate time, to include examples of the improvements the transformation work on mental health services has made at the individual child level.	Councillor Craig Executive Member for Children's Services	David Regan/Paul Marshall/ Jock Rodger/ Clinical Commissioning Group	See December 2016 minutes Invitation to members of Health Scrutiny Committee and Mental Health Champion
Children and Young People's Plan	To receive a further report at an appropriate time, to include a 'plan on a page'.	Executive Member for Children's Services	Paul Marshall	See October 2016 minutes
Complex Safeguarding/Protect report	To receive a report on the Council's Complex Safeguarding service	Executive Member for Children's Services	Paul Marshall	
Curriculum for Life	To receive a more detailed report at an appropriate time, to include more information on the governance and delivery of the Curriculum for Life and how it will be evaluated.	Councillor Rahman	Amanda Corcoran	See October 2017 minutes Invite Chair of Economy Scrutiny Committee
Early Years	To receive a quarterly update. Next update to report on the Early Years Delivery Model, focusing on the Health Visitor programme.	Executive Member for Children's	Amanda Corcoran	See 2 January 2018 minutes

		Services		
Edge of Care Services	To receive a report on the range of approaches used to support children and young people on the edge of care, to include the context, anonymised case studies and information on value for money.	Executive Member for Children's Services	Paul Marshall/ Sean McKendrick	See December 2017 minutes
Foster Care	To receive a further report at an appropriate time, to include information on the success of the Council's fostering service's recruitment and retention activity and an update on the number of children for whom the Council have secured a 'permanent' placement. To update Members on the issues raised by Manchester Foster Care Association, where appropriate.	Executive Member for Children's Services	Paul Marshall/Sean McKendrick	See November 2017 minutes
Greater Manchester Review of Children's Services	To receive a further report which provides more information on the proposals for Greater Manchester Children's Services, the Children and Families Bill and the Alan Wood review of LSCB, including the implications for Manchester City Council.	Executive Member for Children's Services	Paul Marshall	See 31 January 2017 minutes
Locality Plan	To receive a report on the Locality Plan as it relates to services for children and young people, including Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services.	Executive Member for Children's Services Councillor Craig	Paul Marshall	See November 2016 minutes Invite Chair of Health Scrutiny Committee
Looked After Children (LAC) and Corporate Parenting	To receive an update on recent developments in respect of LAC and corporate parenting. To receive information on the Corporate Parenting Panel. To include the future role/best use of existing children's homes including best practice within other local authorities and models of practice.	Executive Member for Children's Services	Paul Marshall / Linda Evans	
Looked After Children (LAC) Investment Plan	To receive a quarterly update.	Executive Member for	Paul Marshall /Simon Finch	Invite Resources and

budget		Children's Services Councillor Flanagan		Governance Scrutiny Chair
Manchester Safeguarding Children Board (MSCB)	To receive the MSCB's Annual Report.	Executive Member for Children's Services	Paul Marshall / Julia Stephens-Row	
Post Ofsted Improvement Plan Update	Regular reports provided by the Strategic Director for Children's Services detailing action taken as part of the Ofsted Improvement Plan. An update is currently received at each meeting. Updates will be aligned to themes within the Improvement Plan. Future content of reports will include: Early Help, Corporate Parenting and LAC, Safeguarding, Fostering and Adoption, Quality of Practice (including a breakdown of the cases which have 'not met' practice standards, including case studies if appropriate) and Missing from Home. To also include an update on the progress and impact of the Getting to Good Board and its priorities. The Early Help Update will include a response to the Committee's recommendation that information on any resistance from individual schools be circulated to members and that schools which are positively engaging with Early Help be promoted as an example to others.	Executive Member for Children's Services	Paul Marshall/ Linda Evans	See July 2016, September 2017 and 30 January 2018 minutes.
Pupil Referral Units (PRUs), alternative provision and the review of specialist provision for children with social, emotional	To receive a report on Pupil Referral Units, alternative provision and the review of specialist provision for children with social, emotional and mental health needs and for this to also include an update in relation to the next steps on school exclusions.	Councillor Rahman	Amanda Corcoran	See February 2018 minutes

and mental health needs				
Raising Standards of Practice in Children's Social Care	To receive an update report.	Executive Member for Children's Services	Paul Marshall	See September 2016 minutes
Safeguarding	Regular reports provided by the Strategic Director for Children's Services, three a year. Future content to include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Working together</li> <li>• Sex education in schools, safeguarding risks of access to internet porn, internet bullying</li> <li>• Feedback of action from lifestyle choices</li> <li>• Information on multi-agency work to disrupt and enforce against activities leading to Child Sexual Exploitation (CSE)</li> <li>• Safeguarding children in sport</li> </ul>	Executive Member for Children's Services	Paul Marshall / Linda Evans	See July 2017 and February 2018 minutes
School Attendance and Attainment	To receive regular reports regarding attainment and attendance. To include information on the use of flexi-schooling in Manchester and on children who are not included in the school attendance figures because they are waiting for a school place or are being home schooled.	Councillor Rahman	Amanda Corcoran	See 30 January 2018 minutes
School Calendar	To receive a report on progress to better align school calendars for 2018/2019.	Councillor Rahman	Amanda Corcoran	See June 2016 minutes
School Improvement	To receive a report on how schools can achieve success through the schools workforce. To include information on the recruitment and retention of quality and qualified teaching staff in both the primary and secondary sectors.	Councillor Rahman	Amanda Corcoran	Invite Head Teachers
Sport and Active Lifestyles for Children	To receive a further report to include a review of the data from the 2017/2018 academic year.	Executive Member for	Amanda Corcoran/	September 2018 – TBC

and Young People		Children's Services Councillor Rahman	David Regan/Lee Preston/Neil Fairlamb	See December 2017 minutes Invite Chair of Communities and Equalities Scrutiny Committee
Working Together to Safeguard Children	To consider Edwina Grant's discussion paper on future arrangements for working together to safeguard children at a future meeting.	Executive Member for Children's Services	Paul Marshall	See 30 January 2018 minutes
Young Carers	To receive a report on Young Carers.	Executive Member for Children's Services	Amanda Corcoran	See 30 January 2018 minutes
Youth and Play Trust	To review progress, including information on the transition arrangements for the hubs. To receive an update on the response to the recommendations of the Youth and Play Task and Finish Group.	Executive Member for Children's Services Councillor Rahman	Amanda Corcoran	See December 2015 & February 2016 minutes