



# Communities and Equalities Scrutiny Committee

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Date: Wednesday 7 December 2016  
Time: 2.00 pm  
Venue: Scrutiny Committee Room, Level 2, Town Hall  
Extension

Everyone is welcome to attend this meeting.

There will be a private meeting for members only at 1.30 pm in Committee Room 6, 2006 (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor of Town Hall Extension)

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## **Membership of the Committee**

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Councillors Ahmed Ali, Alijah, Cookson, Cooley, Evans, Fletcher-Hackwood, Grimshaw, Hassan, Marshall, Madeleine Monaghan, Pritchard, Rawlins (Chair), Sharif Mahamed and Knowles

## Agenda

- 1 **Urgent business**  
To consider any items which the Chair has agreed to have submitted as urgent.
- 2 **Appeals**  
To consider any appeals from the public against refusal to allow inspection of background documents and/or the inclusion of items in the confidential part of the agenda.
- 3 **Interests**  
To allow Members an opportunity to [a] declare any personal or prejudicial interests they might have in any items which appear on this agenda; and [b] record any items from which they are precluded from voting as a result of Council Tax/Council rent arrears; [c] the existence and nature of party whipping arrangements in respect of any item to be considered at this meeting. Members with a personal interest should declare that at the start of the item under consideration. If members also have a prejudicial interest or disclosable pecuniary interest they must withdraw from the meeting during the consideration of the item.
- 4 **Minutes**  
To approve as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 9 November 2016.
- 5 **[2.05 – 2.35] Parks Strategy – to follow**
- 6 **[2.35 – 3.05] Leisure – to follow**
- 7 **[3.05 – 3.35] Budget Process 2017-2020: Consideration of Options and Further Information**  
Report of the Director of Neighbourhoods and the City Treasurer

This report sets out briefly the financial considerations, the current forecast position and savings options for the period to 2019/20. The financial position is based on the best information available at this present time. Committees will be asked to use the information provided to identify which, if any, of the options put forward fall into either of the following categories:

A: Options which should only be considered by the Executive if the overall level of savings required exceeds £40m or

B: Options which should only be considered by the Executive if the level of savings required means that all options have to be taken forward, and no alternative savings can be found.

This report is accompanied by a number of appendices including the Directorate Budget Report and briefing notes containing the additional information requested by Committee at their November meeting as follows:

Appendix 2 - Budget option for Neighbourhood Teams	Page 33
Appendix 3 - Neighbourhood Investment Fund (NIF)	Page 36
Appendix 4 - Targeted communications activity for the budget consultation	Page 38

8 **[3.35 – 3.55] Delivering the Our Manchester Strategy**  
Reports of the Deputy Leader and the Executive Member for Culture and Leisure

The reports provide an overview of work undertaken and progress towards the delivery of the Council's priorities as set out in the Our Manchester strategy for those areas within their respective portfolios.

9 **[3.55 - 4.00] Overview Report**  
Report of the Governance and Scrutiny Support Unit

This report provides members with details of key decisions that fall within the Committee's remit and an update on actions resulting from the Committee's recommendations. The report also includes the Committee's work programme, which the Committee is asked to amend as appropriate and agree.

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## Information about the Committee

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The Communities Scrutiny Committee examines the work of the Council and its partners relating to reducing levels of crime, community cohesion, older people and equality and inclusion.

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## Further Information

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