



Communities and Equalities Scrutiny Committee

Date: Wednesday 4 January 2017
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 (2nd Floor of Town Hall Extension)

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Membership of the Committee

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

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 7 December 2016.
- 5 **[2.05 – 2.40] Parks Strategy - to follow**
- 6 **[2.40 – 3.20] Volunteering in the city**

Part One – Overview of Volunteering activity in the City
The report of the Deputy Chief Executive (Growth & Neighbourhoods) provides an overview of how volunteering is facilitated and promoted throughout the City, and how residents and those who live outside the City, businesses and their employees, and the Voluntary and Community and Public Sectors, actually engage in a diverse range and sometimes unique, volunteering experiences. Given the significant levels of people already engaged, the report also outlines from working in an “Our Manchester” way, a number of key opportunities and considerations to enable more and more people to be engaged in their City.

Part Two – Our Manchester Voluntary and Community Sector Funding
The report of the Deputy Chief Executive (Growth and Neighbourhoods) and the Strategic Director (Adult Social Services) provides an update on how the Council is developing its approach to funding the Voluntary and Community Sector (VCS) Sector, including the infrastructure service, for the future.
- 7 **[3.20 – 3.55] Age-Friendly Manchester Strategy**
Report of the Strategic Director (Adult Social Services) and the Director of Public Health

This report sets out the city's plans for improving outcomes for older people through the Age-Friendly Manchester (AFM) programme. The report provides an update on the activities of the AFM programme in 2016/7.

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[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.

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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