

Economy Scrutiny Committee

Date: Wednesday 25 November 2015

Time: 10.00 am

Venue: Scrutiny Committee Room, Level 2, Town Hall Extension

Everyone is welcome to attend this committee meeting.

There will be a private meeting for members at 9.30am in Committee Room 6, Level 2 of the Town Hall Extension.

Access to the Scrutiny Committee Room

Public access to the Scrutiny Committee Room is over the bridge from level 2 of the old Town Hall building. There is no public access from within the Town Hall Extension. The bridge has a moderate incline so if you have limited mobility you may wish to call 0161 234 3241 for information on alternative access.

Filming and broadcast of the meeting

Meetings of the Scrutiny Committee are 'webcast'. These meetings are filmed and broadcast live on the Internet. If you attend this meeting you should be aware that you might be filmed and included in that transmission.

Membership of the Committee

Councillors -

Amesbury, Appleby, Bridges, Davies, Ellison, Farrell, Green, Hackett, Hacking, Karney, Lone, Moore, Peel, Raikes, Razaq, Richards (Chair), Shilton Godwin, Siddiqi, Simcock, Smitheman, Strong and Wilson

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, prejudicial or disclosable pecuniary 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 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 28 October 2015.

To receive the minutes of the Tax Avoidance Task and Finish Group on 27 October 2015.

5 [10.05 – 10.25] The Skills Company and Update on the National Careers Service

Report of Jayne Worthington, The Skills Company and Jerry Stokes, The Work Company

Part 1 of the report provides information on the Skills Company and its activity and progress within the City.

Part 2 of the report provides an update on delivery of the National Careers Service in Manchester.

6 **[10.25 – 10.45] Careers Education, Information, Advice and Guidance** Report of the Director of Education and Skills

This report provides an update on careers education, information, advice and guidance (CEIAG) in Manchester including the links between businesses and schools to promote career options and meaningful work experience. It sets out the responsibilities of the Local Authority and individual schools in the City, overviews the key initiatives and gives examples of good practise.

7 [10.45 – 11.05] Participation & Performance Post-16 including the offer for young people Not in Education Employment or Training (NEET) Report of the Director of Education and Skills

This report provides an overview of participation and performance post 16 and progress made on delivery of the raising the participation age (RPA) legislation in Manchester. It includes information on traineeships, apprenticeships and pathways for young people who are Not in Education, Employment or Training (NEET) with particular attention given to the support for people who are left behind or difficult to reach groups.

8 **[11.05 – 11.25] Manchester Adult Education Services (MAES)** Report of the Head of MAES

The purpose of this report is to provide information on MAES progress; to consider the impact of current and potential funding cuts to MAES and the implications for delivery.

9 **[11.25 – 11.45] Area Review of FE and 6th Form Colleges** Report of Head of Work and Skills

This report sets out the purpose, scope and review process and the potential opportunities and challenges in Greater Manchester.

10 **[11.45 – 11.50] Quarterly Economy Dashboard – For information** Report of the Core Performance and Intelligence Team

This is the Quarterly Economy Dashboard for Quarter Two 2015/2016

11 [11.50 – 12.10] Highways Asset Management Strategy and Policy – to follow

12 [12.10 – 12.15] Overview Report

Report of the Governance and Scrutiny Support Unit

This report includes a summary of key decisions due to be taken that are relevant to the Committee's remit as well as an update on actions resulting from the Committee's recommendations.

Please note that the actual start time for each agenda item may differ from the time stated on the agenda.

Information about the Committee

Scrutiny committees represent the interests of local people about important issues that affect them. They look at how the decisions, policies and services of the Council and other key public agencies impact on the city and its residents. Scrutiny committees do not take decisions but can make recommendations to decision-makers about how they are delivering the Community Strategy, an agreed vision for a better Manchester that is shared by public agencies across the city.

The Economy Scrutiny Committee has responsibility for looking at how the city's economy is growing and how Manchester people are benefiting from the growth.

The Council wants to consult people as fully as possible before making decisions that affect them. Members of the public do not have a right to speak at meetings but may do so if invited by the Chair. If you have a special interest in an item on the agenda and want to speak, tell the Committee Officer, who will pass on your request to the Chair. Groups of people will usually be asked to nominate a spokesperson. The Council wants its meetings to be as open as possible but occasionally there will be some confidential business. Brief reasons for confidentiality will be shown on the agenda sheet.

The Council welcomes the filming, recording, public broadcast and use of social media to report on the Committee's meetings by members of the public.

Agenda, reports and minutes of all Council Committees can be found on the Council's website www.manchester.gov.uk.

Smoking is not allowed in Council buildings.

Sir Howard Bernstein Chief Executive Town Hall, Albert Square Manchester, M60 2LA

Further Information

For help, advice and information about this meeting please contact the Committee Officer: **Bachel McKeon**

Tel: 0161 234 4997 Fax: 0161 274 7017 Email: rachel.mckeon@manchester.gov.uk

This agenda was issued on **17 November 2015** by the Governance and Scrutiny Support Unit, Manchester City Council, Town Hall, Albert Square, Manchester, M60 2LA.