



Communities and Equalities Scrutiny Committee

Date: Thursday, 7 February 2019

Time: 10.00 am

Venue: Council Antechamber, Level 2, Town Hall Extension

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Councillors - Andrews, Collins, Cooley, M Dar, Douglas, Evans, Fletcher-Hackwood, Hacking (Chair), Kirkpatrick, Rawlins and Rawson

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 10 January 2019.

To receive the minutes of the Our Manchester Voluntary and Community Sector (VCS) Fund Task and Finish Group on 3 January 2019.

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5. [10:05 – 10:40] Begging and people who beg in the city centre

Report of the Strategic Director (Strategic Development) and the Chief Operating Officer (Neighbourhoods)

This report provides information on the proactive partnership work on begging being undertaken.

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6. [10:40 – 10:50] Updated Financial Strategy and Directorate Business Plans 2019-20 - to follow

6a. [10:50 – 11:10] Neighbourhoods Budget and Business Plan 2019-20 - to follow

7. [11:10 – 11:30] Refreshed Business Plans - Equality Impact Assessments (EIAs)

Report of the Deputy Chief Executive

This report provides an overview of the role of Equality Impact Assessments (EIAs) in the Council's business planning process

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for 2019/2020. It outlines the context of why the Council undertakes EIAs and how this process is managed to support good quality analysis which informs decision making. It also describes how the Council uses Equality Delivery Plans as part of this process to highlight achievements on equality in the preceding year, as well as stating its commitments to equality activity and analysis over the remaining year of this budget cycle (2019-20).

8. [11:30 – 11: 45] Voluntary and Community Sector (VCS) Infrastructure Service - to follow

9. [11:45 – 11:50] Overview Report

Report of the Governance and Scrutiny Support Unit

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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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Communities and Equalities Scrutiny Committee

Minutes of the meeting held on 10 January 2019

Present:

Councillor Hacking - In the Chair

Councillors Andrews, Collins, Cooley, M Dar, Evans, Fletcher-Hackwood, Kirkpatrick, Rawlins and Rawson

Councillor S Murphy, Deputy Leader

Councillor Rahman, Executive Member for Schools, Culture and Leisure

Michele Scattergood, Breakthrough UK

Jackie Driver, Co-Chair, Our Manchester Disability Plan (OMDP) Board

Richard Jones, Engagement Group/Manchester Deaf Centre

Apologies:

Councillor Douglas

CESC/19/01 Minutes

The Chair informed Members that the information the Committee had requested on the Council's reserves would be considered by the Resources and Governance Scrutiny Committee, as this fell within its remit. A Member requested clarity, when considering budget proposals, on which areas fell within the Committee's remit.

Decision

To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 6 December 2018 as a correct record.

CESC/19/02 Our Manchester Disability Plan (OMDP) Update

The Committee received a report of the Strategic Lead/Lead for OMDP which provided an overview of progress, challenges and achievements in relation to the OMDP and an update on other disability-related projects such as the Disability Confident Scheme.

The Strategic Lead (Adult Social Care) provided an overview of the OMDP and the work taking place as part of the Health and Social Care workstream. Jackie Driver, the Co-Chair of the OMDP Board, outlined her background and her involvement in the OMDP Board. She reported that this work was unique within the UK and recommended that it be showcased more widely. Michele Scattergood from Breakthrough UK provided an overview of the Work and Skills workstream. She thanked the Work and Skills Team for their contribution and outlined the challenges involved, including the challenge of getting more organisations to contribute. Richard Jones, the Chair of the Engagement Group, outlined the Group's role in ensuring that the Council, partners and organisations led by disabled people were involved in and influencing strategy. He emphasised the importance of all those involved taking responsibility for communicating the OMDP in an accessible way to people across

the city. He reported that, going forward, the Group needed to do more to engage with disabled people across Manchester but that time and resources were limited so support from the Council was important. He shared his experiences as a Deaf person, outlining some of the barriers facing Deaf and disabled people in day-to-day life. He reported that the OMDP aimed to break down these barriers and give disabled people a quality of life equal to that of non-disabled people and he thanked those involved.

Some of the key points that arose from the Committee's discussions were:

- How this work could be showcased more widely;
- What was being done to ensure that disabled people who were living in residential care homes and were socially isolated were included;
- Whether the impact of the work was being measured;
- Request for more information on the Disability Confident Scheme; and
- Whether the Work and Skills workstream was aligned with sector demand.

Jackie Driver suggested that this work could be showcased through organisations such as the Local Government Association and the Equality and Human Rights Commission. Michele Scattergood informed Members about a project that her organisation, Breakthrough UK, was running to support isolated disabled people to establish themselves in their community. The Strategic Lead (Adult Social Care) reported that it was now recognised that supporting disabled people living in residential care by, for example, providing independent living equipment, should not be solely left to the care provider.

Michele Scattergood reported that the focus of the OMDP work at present was on getting people involved rather than producing statistics on outputs. The Strategic Lead (Adult Social Care) informed Members that a Research, Data and Policy Group would be developed in future. She reported that the need for an evidence base was recognised but that attitudinal change was needed first. The Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Manager reported that there was an under-representation of disabled people in the Council's workforce, particularly at a senior level. He reported that the Council was using the Disability Confident Scheme to put in place a number of approaches to increase the number of disabled people in the workforce, provide opportunities for progression and development and bring about a change in the organisational culture. Michele Scattergood reported that the Work and Skills workstream focused on enabling disabled people to have the same job opportunities as non-disabled people and did not try to direct them into particular sectors; however, she reported that the partner organisations currently involved in this work were from a limited number of sectors.

A Member who was also the Lead Member for Disabled People reported that the OMDP Board provided a high level of constructive challenge to those involved. She emphasised the many aspects of this work which related to a wide range of elements of everyday life for disabled people.

Decision

To thank the guests for their contribution and to note the report.

CESC/19/03 Delivering the Our Manchester Strategy

The Committee received reports of the Deputy Leader and the Executive Member for Schools, Culture and Leisure which provided 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.

The main points and themes within Deputy Leader's report included progress and outcomes in relation to:

- Our Manchester;
- Social inclusion;
- The Voluntary and Community Sector (VCS);
- Homelessness and rough sleeping;
- Equalities;
- International relations; and
- The Local Government Association (LGA).

The Deputy Leader informed Members that one of the city's homeless shelters had had to close due to an electrical fault but that, with the help of partners, sufficient capacity had been identified elsewhere.

Some of the key points that arose from the Committee's discussions were:

- Request for further details of the Adverse Childhood Experiences pilot taking place in Harpurhey; and
- What aspects of Brexit should concern this Committee.

The Deputy Leader reported that training was being given to help staff from a range of agencies understand the impact of Adverse Childhood Experiences on people, stating that this approach had resulted in a 70% reduction in exclusions in one school. She highlighted the impact of Brexit on community cohesion, citing the increase in hate crime after the referendum, and the impact on European Union nationals in the UK who would need to be supported through administrative process to remain in the UK.

The Executive Member for Schools, Culture and Leisure referred to the main points and themes within his report, which included progress and outcomes in relation to:

- Libraries, culture and parks; and
- Young people.

Some of the key points that arose from the Committee's discussions were:

- What was the new approach to the implementation of capital projects, which was referred to in the report; and
- The impact of the roll-out of Universal Credit on Free School Meals.

The Executive Member for Schools, Culture and Leisure confirmed that there would be an impact on Free School Meals from the roll-out of Universal Credit and informed Members about software which had been provided to Manchester schools to enable them to check whether a pupil was eligible for Free School Meals. He reported that the new approach to capital projects involved one officer from the Parks Team and one officer from the Capital Projects Team working together to progress capital projects in parks.

Decision

To note the reports.

CESC/19/04 Manchester Events Strategy 2019-2029

The Committee received a report of the Chief Operating Officer (Neighbourhoods) which identified the strengths of Manchester's event offer and the need to think differently about how Manchester focused its investment - differentiating investment into events that were aimed principally at supporting communities and animating the city and those which generated significant economic value and profile for the city through the development of the visitor economy. It set out the vision, principles and aims for the strategy and the need to develop a refreshed and more coherent events offer.

Officers referred to the main points and themes within the report, which included:

- An analysis of the current situation, including best practice from other cities worldwide;
- The vision and aims of the Events Strategy;
- The Events Programme; and
- Next steps.

Some of the key points that arose from the Committee's discussions were:

- Whether further information could be provided on the Council resources required to develop, deliver and facilitate the events listed in the Core Events Programme 2019/20 – 2020/21;
- The importance of ensuring that an ethical approach was taken to the bidding process;
- What could be done to ensure that the employment arising from large events met minimum standards, for example, avoiding the use of zero hour contracts;
- Whether more funding could be invested in community events; and
- Whether the criteria for funding community events had been reviewed through a co-design process, using an Our Manchester approach.

The Strategic Lead (Parks, Leisure and Events) reported that an ethical, fair and transparent bidding process was used and that one of the aims of the new Events Strategy was Collaborative Leadership and Good Governance which included an ethical approach to decision-making. He informed Members that the Strategy aimed to attract more events which would remain in the city for a number of years, rather than one-off large events, and this would enable the Council to use its procurement

process to ensure better employment opportunities for local people, for example, avoiding zero hour contracts. He reported that work was taking place with both the universities in the city to ensure that Manchester had the skills to support the delivery of these events. He informed Members that Manchester was not currently investing as much in events as some comparator cities in the UK. He advised the Committee that he would identify the best way to provide Members with further details of the Council resources being invested in core events without compromising commercially sensitive information.

The Executive Member for Schools, Culture and Leisure reported that he had been trying to increase the allocation of funding for community events and that he recognised the value of these events on neighbourhoods and community cohesion. He reported that new groups were being encouraged and supported to apply for funding for events and that the Council was looking at ways to secure more funding for community events. The Strategic Lead (Parks, Leisure and Events) reported that one of the ways the Council was looking at to do this was to get the commercial events taking place in the city to make a donation to the cost of the community events. He also informed Members that, while funding for global events had been reduced by 44.5% since 2010, funding for community events had been protected as the Council recognised the importance of community events. He reported that, although the criteria for funding community events had not been developed through a co-design process, the criteria meant that groups which adopted an Our Manchester approach, for example, engaging with local residents, were more likely to obtain funding.

Decision

To request that the Strategic Lead (Parks, Leisure and Events) provide Members with further details of the Council resources being invested in core events.

CESC/19/05 Overview Report

A report of the Governance and Scrutiny Support Unit was submitted. The overview report contained a list of key decisions yet to be taken within the Committee's remit, responses to previous recommendations and the Committee's work programme, which the Committee was asked to approve.

The Chair recommended that the Committee receive a report at its March meeting on how Greater Manchester Police (GMP) had prioritised the additional police resources funded through the precept and how this had benefited residents. A Member requested that the Committee also receive a report on Community Events at its March meeting, to which the Chair agreed.

Decision

To note the report and agree the work programme, subject to the above amendments.

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Communities and Equalities Scrutiny Committee – Our Manchester Voluntary and Community Sector Fund Task and Finish Group

Minutes of the meeting held on 3 January 2019

Present:

Councillor Rawlins – In the Chair
Councillors Andrews, Clay, M Dar and Russell

Councillor S Murphy, Statutory Deputy Leader
Councillor Craig, Executive Member for Adult Health and Wellbeing

Apologies:

Councillor Kirkpatrick

CESC/OMVCSF/19/01 Minutes

Decision

To approve as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 27 September 2018.

CESC/OMVCSF/19/02 Recap of Previous Meetings

The Programme Lead (Our Manchester Funds) provided an overview of the Task and Finish Group's previous two meetings, noting that Members had received a lot of background information at its first meeting and had then, at its second meeting, heard from guests from Voluntary and Community Sector (VCS) organisations about their experience of the process.

Decision

To note the overview provided of the previous meetings.

CESC/OMVCSF/19/03 Our Manchester Voluntary and Community Sector (VCS) Decision Making and Communications

The Task and Finish Group received the following documents for consideration:

- The Decision Making Flow Diagram;
- The Co-design of Grant Programmes Policy;
- The Grants Programme Booklet;
- An example of the Our Manchester VCS Fund newsletter; and
- An example of the Our Manchester VCS Fund Twitter account.

The Programme Lead informed Members that he had been planning to bring the Draft VCS Infrastructure Recommendations to this meeting but that they had not been available in time. He reported that he would circulate them to Members after the meeting.

Members discussed the way in which decisions from the first funding round had been communicated to unsuccessful groups. The Programme Lead reported that one of the lessons learnt from the first funding round was that the communication of the outcomes to organisations, particularly those which had been previously funded, could have been better and that this needed to change for future funding rounds. Members also discussed the timing of the communication of the information, before Christmas, but noted that it was important to give sufficient notice (current guidance 90 days) and not to delay informing the relevant groups.

Members discussed at what stage local Ward Councillors should be involved in the process, including when they should be informed of the decision made in relation to VCS organisations in their ward. The Programme Lead proposed that they be informed after the group had been informed but before the information was shared more widely. He advised that grants were awarded subject to a due diligence process and that Ward Councillors could provide evidence-based feedback as part of this. Members noted that this would only give Ward Councillors the opportunity to provide evidence to prevent an unsuitable group from obtaining funding, not to provide evidence to support a suitable group to obtain funding. A Member also expressed concern that it would be politically difficult for a Ward Councillor to intervene to stop a group obtaining funding. The Chair advised Members that decisions were taken based on evidence submitted and would not be influenced by lobbying from Ward Councillors. She also reported that groups were informed that any grants awarded were subject to a due diligence process.

The Programme Lead reported that the process had been co-designed by a range of stakeholders and that decisions were made based on this process and the evidence provided. The Deputy Leader advised that Members had been invited to be involved in the co-design process. The Executive Member for Adult Health and Wellbeing informed Members that the Communities and Equalities Scrutiny Committee had received reports on the co-design of the new process so Committee Members had been aware of what was happening; however, other Members might not have read this information, despite it being available to them. Therefore, she advised that it was important to communicate effectively with all Members, rather than assume that they were aware of this, and she suggested that a fact sheet for Members could be helpful. She emphasised the importance of clarity about when and how Ward Councillors would be engaged in the process and also highlighted that some groups were based on communities of interest rather than geographic areas. The Deputy Leader reported that, although information had been provided to Members during the co-design process, it had been a long process and the information had been sporadic and that it was important to have a better flow of information and for it to be more straight-forward.

Members discussed whether other Ward Councillors could feed into the review of the process, highlighting the issues that this could raise, for example, noting that some Members were dissatisfied because of the outcome of the funding applications, rather than the process. A Member advised that Ward Councillors should only be able to have their say on the future process for the fund, not on any decisions which had already been taken. He further advised that having a clear procedure for Members' involvement in the process should remove the problem of Members trying to obtain information or have influence outside of that process.

A Member expressed concern that smaller local groups could be disadvantaged when competing for grants against groups which were part of larger national organisations. The Programme Lead reported that the grant application process had been designed to enable all groups to demonstrate their work, rather than to favour organisations which had expertise in writing grant applications. He also advised that it was important to have support sessions for local groups at different times and in different locations. The Chair suggested that anonymised versions of successful bids from the first funding round could be used as examples to show to groups in future funding rounds. She also suggested that some groups might benefit from presenting their application orally rather than through an application form.

In response to a Member's question, the Programme Lead reported that it was valuable to have a wide representation of different groups, such as large and small organisations, and groups from Black and Minority Ethnic (BME) communities involved in the co-design and assessment processes. The Executive Member for Adult Health and Wellbeing advised that it could be useful to involve people with particular expertise on the Assessment Panel, for example, people with knowledge of a particular community or area of the city which had received less funding or people with expertise on carers. This could be done via briefings leading up to the Assessment Panel itself.

The Deputy Leader reported that the right decisions had been made regarding the groups which it had been unsuccessful but that the Council had learnt how to work with these groups to strengthen them and she reported that some of them were now in a stronger position than if they had just been awarded a grant.

Decision

To note that the Programme Lead will circulate the draft VCS infrastructure recommendations to Members of the Task and Finish Group.

CESC/OMVCSF/19/04 Improving Communications with Members

This was discussed as part of the previous item.

CESC/OMVCSF/19/05 Final Recommendations

A Member advised that the Task and Finish Group was not in a position to agree final recommendations at this meeting. He recommended that the Chair and the Programme Lead work together on a final report and recommendations, based on the discussions at the three meetings, which could be discussed and agreed at a further meeting of the Task and Finish Group. The Chair agreed to this.

Decision

To ask the Programme Lead and the Chair to work together on a final report and recommendations which can be discussed and agreed at a further meeting of the Task and Finish Group.

CESC/OMVCSF/19/06 Terms of Reference and Work Programme

The Task and Finish Group considered the Group's Terms of Reference and Work Programme.

Decision

To have a further meeting on 31 January 2019 at 2.00 pm to agree the Task and Finish Group's final report and recommendations.

**Manchester City Council
Report for Information**

Report to: Communities and Equalities Scrutiny Committee – 7 February 2019

Subject: Begging and people who beg in the city centre

Report of: Strategic Director (Strategic Development)
Chief Operating Officer (Neighbourhoods)

Summary

This report is to advise the Committee further on the proactive partnership work on begging now being undertaken.

Recommendations

To consider and comment on the contents of the report.

Wards Affected: All (primary focus on Deansgate and Piccadilly)

Alignment to the Our Manchester Strategy Outcomes (if applicable)

Manchester Strategy outcomes	Summary of how this report aligns to the OMS
A thriving and sustainable city: supporting a diverse and distinctive economy that creates jobs and opportunities	The ambition to create and sustain a city which attracts visitors and businesses is supported by the work undertaken by partners addressing begging.
A highly skilled city: world class and home grown talent sustaining the city's economic success	Providing support for individuals to improve their life chances and make a positive contribution through volunteering and enhancing work opportunities
A progressive and equitable city: making a positive contribution by unlocking the potential of our communities	Seeing the potential in all residents and utilising 'Our Manchester' principles to build on strengths
A liveable and low carbon city: a destination of choice to live, visit, work	This work supports the focus on making the city centre accessible and user friendly to all
A connected city: world class infrastructure and connectivity to drive growth	The new E-CINS database exemplifies innovative partnership working utilising digital solutions

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Background documents (available for public inspection):

The following documents disclose important facts on which the report is based and have been relied upon in preparing the report. Copies of the background documents are available up to 4 years after the date of the meeting. If you would like a copy please contact one of the contact officers above.

None.

1.0 Introduction

1.1 The City Centre Public Services Review was undertaken in 2016. The purpose of the review was to create a better understanding of the complexities, demands and pressure points for services delivering in the city centre. A new board known as the City Centre Accountability Board was established to oversee progress and performance of public services aligned to the outcomes of the review.

1.2 The City Centre Accountability Board is chaired by the Leader of the Council and comprises senior elected member representatives, Council Executive members, senior Greater Manchester Police (GMP) representation and prominent members of the business community. The Board has focused on developing and introducing a shared proactive approach to begging in the city centre, in consultation with colleagues and partners in the voluntary, community and social enterprise sector.

1.3 This report outlines the emerging findings about begging and people who beg in Manchester and provides information about the full scope of work being undertaken to address the issue of begging and its attendant issues.

2.0 Background / Context

2.1 In common with other UK cities, Manchester has seen an increase in the number of people begging. This is concentrated in the city centre but is also becoming more evident in other parts of the city.

2.2 A city centre survey was undertaken in the summer of 2018 to monitor perceptions of anti-social behaviour in the city centre including incidents of begging. Many respondents reported that begging was an increasing concern and was increasingly visible. 3,002 people completed the survey which launched on 27 July and ran for eight weeks. The survey aimed to capture the views of all city centre users, including residents, businesses and visitors, to understand to what extent public perceptions concerning the city centre had changed and to provide a benchmark for future similar surveys.

2.3 Nearly half of the respondents (1,430, 47.6%) were city centre residents, over a third (1,225, 40.8%) were visitors and 38% were people who worked in the city centre. In the section which asked about perceptions of begging in the city centre, approximately two thirds of visitors, workers and residents 'agree' or 'strongly agree' that they find individuals who beg intimidating. For the much smaller student group of respondents (4.7%), more than half gave this response. Almost half of all groups either 'agree' or 'strongly agree' with the statement 'begging stops me from wanting to visit the city centre'.

2.4 Whilst every person who begs has an individual story, common underlying themes include the impact of welfare reform, drug and alcohol misuse and homelessness.

2.5 A partnership approach is helping to understand the behaviour and characteristics amongst the people who are interacting with partner and Council

outreach teams. It evidences that not everyone who begs is homeless and that not every one who is homeless begs.

2.6 An update report on the Community Safety Partnership from the Chief Operating Officer - Neighbourhoods was discussed at the Communities and Equalities Scrutiny Committee in November last year. In that report, information was provided about the new and proactive approaches which are now utilised to engage with people who beg including the establishment of a community safety commissioned project led by the voluntary and community sector (*Riverside, MASH and On the Out*) which works specifically with people who are in accommodation and beg in the city.

3.0 Begging in Manchester

3.1 Begging is a symptom of a complex range of issues which have both wider societal and personal elements specific to an individual. Our ambition in the city is to support each individual in addressing their particular situation thus reducing drivers leading to begging. This ambition takes account of the individual at a humane level whilst simultaneously addressing the concerns of the wider community including businesses which report the negative impact on them of people begging outside their premises and reports of harassing behaviour linked to begging.

3.2 Our approach is supportive and assertive. We support the message and campaign driven by *Big Change Manchester* which seeks to encourage members of the public to donate to charities and groups working with people who are on the streets rather than give money to people who are begging. This is to ensure that resources are used to support people to move on and make positive changes in their lives rather than sustaining a life on the streets. In Manchester city centre, there are free meals available provided by indoor services every day of the week including those commissioned by the Council. In addition, a range of faith and voluntary groups are active with street kitchens and food runs. Both Council outreach teams and the dedicated GMP team commence engagement with an individual on the street with an offer of practical support and signposting to relevant services. A proactive outreach team from drugs charity *CGL* is also part of the partnership and aims to motivate and support people to access treatment services. Whilst there has been success in many individual cases of working with people who beg and our approach is making a positive difference, the impact is diminished when the bigger picture is considered as the city continues to see new people on the streets. The case studies attached as appendix one illustrate this. The anecdotal national picture is that Manchester is sharing a common experience and that wider structural issues are continuing to lead to more people resorting to begging.

3.3 If we are unsuccessful in dissuading someone from begging, nor are they seeking support from relevant services despite our best endeavours, then a range of other methods may be used including civil and criminal justice action. Since the inception of the proactive partnership approach to begging, introduced after the City Centre Review, a wider range of legislation is now applied and the volume of cases involving the use of compliance and enforcement has risen significantly. It is recognised that the courts are limited by legislation in relation to court disposal options for individuals convicted of begging. Where possible, criminalisation is avoided and only used as a last resort, but arresting and taking someone through the

formal court process is a possible means of achieving behaviour change and so is part of the overall strategy where appropriate. Wherever possible, positive requirements are sought from the Court so that there is the chance of benefit to the individual such as attending for assessment and for substance misuse services. Begging is a trigger offence meaning officers have the power to carry out a mandatory drug test on arrest and over 90% of those arrested for begging in the city centre in 2018 have tested positive. We are actively liaising with colleagues in the criminal justice system such as Probation, CPS and the Judiciary to work together on achieving a shared understanding of the issues and constructive ways forward within the limitations of the sentencing process. We also seek to learn from other places to improve what we do in Manchester.

3.4 The focus of this report is on the city centre but begging is also taking place in other parts of the city particularly in areas with high footfall such as by shops. An example is to the south of the city centre around Chorlton and Didsbury. Chorlton-based *Reach out to the Community* is a volunteer run group providing support to people who beg and/or are sleeping rough. *Reach out to the Community* is a member of the Manchester Homelessness Partnership and active attendee of various of the sub-groups. They now have regular joint outreach with a link colleague in the Council's rough sleeping team so that support into accommodation will be given if a person begging in the locality needs this.

4.0 The emerging intelligence picture

4.1 Information from a range of partners who are interacting with people who are causing issues in the city centre is being used to help inform the strategy for addressing these issues. This includes people who are rough sleeping and begging.

4.2 It is important to note that people who are begging in the city centre are not a static group so the picture is constantly changing and it is difficult to get accurate demographic information from such a fluid population. However, information obtained by those engaged by one of the partnership teams indicates the following broad brush picture:

- The majority are male (about 20% female)
- Approximately a third are aged 26-35, a third are 36-45 with the remainder either older or younger
- Just over half are from Manchester, around a quarter are from other parts of Greater Manchester
- A significant number are using drugs and/or alcohol with heroin and cocaine/crack cocaine being the most prevalent

5.0 Next steps

5.1 Council and GMP city centre teams will continue to pursue the ambition of supporting and motivating individuals who beg to seek support and help to enable them to change their lives for the better, to live longer and more healthily.

5.2 We will seek to communicate with our partners in the criminal justice process to provide an up to date picture of begging in Manchester city centre. We will work with

partners to look at appropriate court outcomes to address begging and will continue to gather comprehensive business and community impact statements to support cases.

5.3 Through the Integrated Neighbourhood Management approach in the city centre, partners will work together with business and community sector groups to further reduce begging and the need to beg.

5.4 We will continue to seek best practice or a 'what works' approach to improve our strategy encompassing support and enforcement.

Appendix One: Case studies of individuals who were begging in the city centre

1. A person was begging persistently in the commercial district of the city centre and rough sleeping. Through partnership work involving GMP, Change Grow Live(CGL), the Council's Rough Sleepers' Team and a specialist support service this person is now accommodated, participating in a drug detox programme and has stopped begging. GMP took an assertive and supportive approach, warning the individual regarding the consequences of continuing to beg and offering advice and support regarding the services available in the city centre. To access support around accommodation needs, GMP made a referral to the Council's Rough Sleepers' Team. The individual engaged with the accommodation advice and moved into supported housing. Initially this person continued to beg whilst accommodated. However after further warnings from police officers regarding the offence of begging and encouragement to engage with the specialist support service, this person has since stopped begging and is engaged on a drug detox programme.
2. Reports were received by GMP and the Council's Anti Social Behaviour Action Team (ASBAT) from the business community regarding a person who persistently begged close to a cash machine. The business community described how this behaviour had a detrimental impact on members of the public. This person used Spice and drank alcohol in public spaces. GMP officers issued several warnings regarding the offence of begging and he was served with a Community Protection Notice by the ASBAT. This person initially ignored the warnings issued by the police and continued to beg. They were subsequently arrested on four occasions for the offence of begging. GMP officers liaised with CGL to access support in relation to substance misuse. CGL engaged with the individual through outreach and working together with *Inspiring Change* Manchester. To prepare for a detox, this person attended a 12 week motivational course delivered by CGL. The level of engagement and commitment from this person was excellent and they have entered detox, stopped begging and are now in accommodation.
3. Partners have worked together to protect the public from a person who acted anti socially when begging. This person had an organised approach to their begging and many complaints were received by GMP and the ASBAT from the business community who described the impact on members of the public. This person has stable accommodation but regularly attended the city centre to beg. GMP warned this person regarding the offence of begging and provided advice regarding relevant support services available. The individual continued to beg and was arrested by GMP. The ASBAT worked closely with GMP to secure additional statements detailing incidents of anti social behaviour to prepare an application for a Criminal Behaviour Order (CBO). Partnership support was provided by CityCo, NCP (National Car Parks), British Transport Police and representatives from our city centre bus/coach stations. The court granted a CBO against this person which prohibits them from begging and from entering specific areas where they committed anti social behaviour. The Criminal Behaviour Order was breached, not long after it was granted, and this person was sentenced to four months imprisonment.

Since serving the prison sentence, there have been no further reported incidents of begging in the city centre.

4. A person who persistently begged in the city centre had a long history of non-engagement with services. GMP warned this person regarding the activity of begging and provided advice regarding how to access the Council's Rough Sleepers' Team and the voluntary and community organisations in the city centre. Mandatory Drug Tests (MDTs) took place in custody following several begging offence arrests. On each occasion this person tested positive for Class A drug use. Following the MDTs, GMP arranged an appointment for this person to meet with CGL. They attended, were assessed by CGL and appropriate medication was prescribed. They are now willingly and actively taking steps to address their drug use which has significantly reduced. Through joint work with *Shelter* and access to the Social Impact Bond this person is about to move into their own tenancy.

**Manchester City Council
Report for Information**

Report to: Communities and Equalities Scrutiny Committee – 7 February 2019

Subject: Refreshed Business Plans - Equality Impact Assessments (EIAs)

Report of: Deputy Chief Executive

Summary

This report provides an overview of the role of Equality Impact Assessments (EIAs) in the Council's business planning process for 2019/2020. It outlines the context of why the Council undertakes EIAs and how this process is managed to support good quality analysis which informs decision making.

The report describes how the Council uses Equality Delivery Plans as part of this process to highlight achievements on equality in the preceding year, as well as stating its commitments to equality activity and analysis over the remaining year of this budget cycle (2019-20). A more detailed report, including the Equality Delivery Plans for 2019/20 is scheduled for consideration at this Committee's March meeting.

Recommendations

Members are invited to consider and comment on the contents of this report and identify any EIAs which Members would wish to review in detail.

Wards Affected: All

Alignment to the Our Manchester Strategy Outcomes (if applicable)

Manchester Strategy outcomes	Summary of how this report aligns to the OMS
A thriving and sustainable city: supporting a diverse and distinctive economy that creates jobs and opportunities	
A highly skilled city: world class and home grown talent sustaining the city's economic success	
A progressive and equitable city: making a positive contribution by unlocking the potential of our communities	EIAs are a vital component of how the Council has due regard for equality and equity in its decision making processes. Communities and customers are the focus of the EIAs and the analysis allows the Council to safeguard and enhance community potential and wellbeing in the

	delivery of its business.
A liveable and low carbon city: a destination of choice to live, visit, work	
A connected city: world class infrastructure and connectivity to drive growth	

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Background documents (available for public inspection):

The following documents disclose important facts on which the report is based and have been relied upon in preparing the report. Copies of the background documents are available up to 4 years after the date of the meeting. If you would like a copy please contact one of the contact officers above.

- 1) *Equality Delivery Plans: Draft Plans for the next Budget and Business Cycle* - Communities and Equalities Scrutiny Committee, 1 March 2017
- 2) *Refreshed Budget and Business Plans - Equality Impact Assessments (EIAs)* - Communities and Equalities Scrutiny Committee, 1 February 2018
- 3) *Equality Objectives 2016-2020* - Communities and Equalities Scrutiny Committee, 1 March 2018

1. Introduction

- 1.1 Manchester City Council has a long-standing commitment to promoting equality, celebrating the diversity of the city and working hard to ensure that outcomes for *all* Manchester residents are the best that they can be, with fairness and equity at their heart. Managing the significant and ongoing funding reductions that the Council continues to experience with a constant commitment to these values is a critical and well-recognised feature of the organisation's approach to equality, as demonstrated by its extended accreditation at the Excellent level of the Equality Framework for Local Government in June last year, from 2018-2021.
- 1.2 One of the key tools that supports the Council to manage equality outcomes through change processes is its equality impact assessment (EIA) framework. The Council has been routinely producing EIAs for over a decade, and the value of this commitment has been proven on numerous occasions with several business decisions being informed and influenced by the potential impact on communities highlighted through the assessment process.
- 1.3 The Council's EIA framework describes an EIA as: *'An objective piece of analysis of the likely impact of a given business change on people who share the characteristics that are protected by the Equality Act 2010 as well as carers.'* The EIA framework is the Council's primary tool for demonstrating due regard to equality in its business change processes and thus compliance with the specific duties of the public sector equality duty (2011).
- 1.4 The completion of an EIA is an entirely objective and evidence-based analysis of the business proposal, and is not a proposal or recommendation process in itself. The analysis allows services to identify the opportunities to maximise positive impacts arising from their business change, as well as highlighting the need to mitigate any potentially adverse ones prior to implementation. Appropriate mitigation is generally identified within the EIA and commonly involves adjusting part of the proposal to 'design out' an adverse impact, or where this is unavoidable, signposting affected communities and service users to suitable alternative provision elsewhere.
- 1.5 Most crucially, the process of undertaking an EIA is intended to inform the decision-making process. It is therefore vital that EIAs are identified as required and completed by the service responsible for the business change (with guidance and support, technical and specialist input and signposting to relevant evidence from the Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Team), and signed-off by senior officers in sufficient time for the EIA to be given due consideration prior to a decision being taken.

2. Equality Analysis and Business Planning

- 2.1 The business planning templates have numerous delivery plans attached as appendices, which includes the Equality Delivery Plan (EDP). The inclusion of the EDP as a vehicle to communicate the Council's equality commitments is a

crucial way for the authority to show due regard to equality in its strategic planning processes.

2.2 The EDP is structured to perform three important functions:

- 1) It requires Directorates to reflect its prominent equality achievements in preceding 12 months in support of the Council's overarching Equality Objectives (this may logically relate to the forward plans from the previous EDP, but can also describe achievements that did not stem from that process)
- 2) Directorates are asked to present a clear plan for equality activity in the next 12 months, and;
- 3) It is an opportunity for Directorates to articulate at an early stage which areas of the business planning activity will require equality analysis, in the form of Equality Impact Assessments (EIAs).

2.3 The schedule of EIAs presented in the EDP only includes those which link directly to the contents of the 'parent' business plan, including details of its proposed delivery date and responsible officers. It is important to note that the EIAs outlined here do not represent the Directorate's EDI or EIA activity in its entirety throughout the course of the financial year, as further activities and analyses are generally undertaken throughout the course of the year as 'business as usual' processes.

2.4 However, the inclusion of the EIA schedule in the EDP gives officers and Members assurance that equality considerations and analyses are being given due regard in the business planning process and that there is a clear and considered plan for safeguarding equality outcomes in the Directorates' activities for the year. A report outlining the full 2019-20 EDPs will be submitted to the Communities and Equalities Scrutiny Committee for consideration at its March 2019 meeting.

3. Schedule of EIAs

3.1 As part of this year's business planning process, Directorates have completed initial drafts of their EDPs for 2019-20 and, as such have identified their planned EIA activity for the coming year (notwithstanding the additional activity anticipated at 2.3 above). In-keeping with the overall approach to business planning this year, EDPs largely reflect the plans and commitments made last year as part of the three year budget.

3.2 Below is a schedule of the EIA activity that Directorates have identified, complete with timescales and responsible officers for each analysis. As noted above, the proposed timescales will allow the potential equality impacts of any change to be fully understood and, where relevant, mitigated, before a decision is made and the change implemented.

Proposal	Proposed EIA Completion Date	Decision Date	Senior Management Lead	Comments on initial potential impacts
Core				
Shared Cost Additional Voluntary Contribution Scheme	Apr 19	May 19	Sam McVaigh, Head of Workforce Strategy	Do not anticipate a disproportionate impact on any given characteristic arising from this proposal
Voluntary, Community and Social Enterprise Sector (VCSE) infrastructure contract review	Jul 19	Sept 19	Michael Salmon, Programme Lead - Our Manchester Funds	The contract review is subject to a co-design process throughout which equality considerations have been and continue to be factored in. This approach seeks to mitigate the risk of adverse equality impact from the review process
Revised Council Tax Support Scheme	Feb 19	Mar 19	Julie Price, Director of Customer Services and Transactions	Initial indications are that whilst a broad range of characteristic groups will be affected by the changes, none of these will be disproportionately impacted.
Counter-fraud investigations and prosecutions	Mar 19	Apr 19	Tom Powell, Head of Audit and Risk Management	Do not anticipate a disproportionate impact on any given characteristic arising from this proposal
Highways claims process	Jun 19	Jul 19	Tom Powell, Head of Audit and Risk Management	Do not anticipate a disproportionate impact on any given characteristic arising from this proposal
Neighbourhoods				
Manchester Volunteer Inspire Programme	Apr 19	Jun 19	Fiona Worrall, Chief Operating Officer Neighbourhoods	Extending volunteering to enable more residents to volunteer where they live
School Catering	Oct 19	n/a - no service change	Matt Bennett, Head of Commissioning and Delivery	Assess existing provision meets the needs of increasingly diverse customer base

Changes to Channel and Dovetail	tbc	tbc	Fiona Worrall, Chief Operating Officer Neighbourhoods	Assess impact of revised national counter terrorism strategy on local implementation
Public Space Protection Orders	Sept 19	Dec 19	Fiona Worrall, Chief Operating Officer Neighbourhoods	Assess impact of PSPOs on diverse communities (pending outcome of public consultation)
Refreshed Waste Strategy	Dec 19	Mar 20	Fiona Worrall, Chief Operating Officer Neighbourhoods	In line with national changes, to ensure no resident is disadvantaged by the refreshed strategic approach
Passageway communal collection review	Feb 20	Mar 20	Fiona Worrall, Chief Operating Officer Neighbourhoods	Improvements to existing communal sites and potential collection systems changes
New cycle and walking routes	tbc	tbc	Steve Robinson, Director of Highways Operations	New infrastructure projects meet the needs of diverse communities
Strategic Development				
Factory	Mar 20	2021	Pat Bartoli, Head of City Centre Regeneration	World class cultural centre accessible by all residents
Review of the Housing allocation scheme	Jun 19	Sept 19	Jon Sawyer, Director, Housing and Residential Growth	Ensuring all Manchester Residents have equal access to social housing
Affordable Housing Policy	tbc	tbc	Jon Sawyer, Director, Housing and Residential Growth	Ensuring all Manchester Residents have equal access to affordable

Housing solutions for residents	various	various	Jon Sawyer, Director, Housing and Residential Growth	Ensure additional provision meets the needs of our diverse communities
All major residential and commercial developments	various	various	Eddie Smith, Strategic Director, Development	Ensuring residents benefit from residential and economic growth of city including employment opportunities
Refurbishment of Alexander House	Mar 20	2021	Julie McMurray, Head of Estates	Changes to estate meets the needs of diverse staff and residents
Resident employer programme	tbc	tbc	Angela Harrington, Head of Work and Skills	To ensure residents benefit from employment opportunities
Simplify the skills offer & pathways to sustainable jobs	tbc	tbc	Angela Harrington, Head of Work and Skills	To ensure all residents have equal access to sustainable employment
Family Poverty Strategy	tbc	tbc	Angela Harrington, Head of Work and Skills	tbc
Children and Education				
Delivery of Children's Locality Plan	tbc	tbc		No negative impacts anticipated
Reform of Services to Care Leavers	tbc	tbc		No negative impacts anticipated
Reconfiguration of Early Years Delivery Model (Early Help / Early Years)	tbc	tbc		No negative impacts anticipated
Homelessness				
Development of the Manchester	Feb 19	Mar 19	Jane Davies	No negative equality impacts anticipated at this stage

Access and Support Gateway				
Commissioning of the young people's pathway	Mar 19	May 19	Jane Davies	No negative equality impacts anticipated at this stage
Housing Related Support commissioning	Feb 19	Mar 19	Jane Davies	No negative equality impacts anticipated at this stage
Advice Commissioning	Feb 19	Mar 19	Jane Davies	No negative equality impacts anticipated at this stage
Procurement of dispersed temporary accommodation	Apr 19	May 19	Louise Stonall	Positive equality impacts anticipated at this stage
Commissioning and Adult Social Care				
Development of an integrated Health & Social Care Command Centre (Front Door)	Sept 19	Oct 19	Glyn Syson	No negative equality impacts anticipated at this stage
Commissioning services to sit in Connect 2 Support	Apr 19	May 19	Glyn Syson	No negative equality impacts anticipated at this stage
Redesign Community Alarms & Manchester Supported Independent Living Service	May 19	Jun 19	Karen Crier	No negative equality impacts anticipated at this stage

Enhance the Assistive Technology offer	Jul 19	Aug 19	Nicky Parker	No negative equality impacts anticipated at this stage
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3.3 In line with previous years the full Directorate EDPs will be submitted to this Committee's next meeting for discussion, with Directorate Equality Champions in attendance to present their areas' plans.

4. Conclusion

4.1 Through the delivery of the EIA and Equality Delivery Planning processes above, the Council continues to mainstream its equality analysis and commitment into its business change approaches. This ensures that delivering equality improvement is part of our business as usual, is everybody's shared responsibility and continues the long-standing commitment to fairness and inclusion that underpins the Council's approach to delivering the Our Manchester strategy.

4.2 In response to feedback from the Equality Framework for Local Government (EFLG) peer review undertaken in June 2018, as a result of which the Council retained its EFLG Excellent status, the Council's provision and governance of its EIA framework will be further strengthened in 2019-20 to enhance the good practice in this area.

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**Manchester City Council
Report for Information**

Report to: Communities and Equalities Scrutiny Committee – 7 February 2019

Subject: Overview Report

Report of: Governance and Scrutiny Support Unit

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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Background documents (available for public inspection):

None

1. Monitoring Previous Recommendations

This section of the report lists recommendations made by the Committee and responses to them indicating whether the recommendation will be implemented and, if it will be, how this will be done.

Date	Item	Recommendation	Action	Contact Officer
7 September 2016	CESC/16/19 Equality Action Plans 2016/17: Update	To request that the Head of Legal Services provide the action plan for providing support to residents to access revenues and benefits to members of the Committee.	A response to this recommendation has been requested and will be reported back to the Committee via the Overview report.	Jacqui Dennis, Deputy City Solicitor
7 December 2017	CESC/17/48 Volunteering – Timebanks	To ask Equality Lead Members to consider what role they could play in enabling timebanking to reach different communities, including consideration of specific timebanks around protected characteristics.	A response to this recommendation has been requested and will be reported back to the Committee via the Overview Report.	Keiran Barnes, Equality Team Leader
1 March 2018	CESC/18/17 Equality Objectives 2016 – 2020	To request that the Executive Member for Schools, Culture and Leisure and the Statutory Deputy Leader provide a briefing note on the UNESCO City of Literature group, including any opportunities for Member involvement, and that this be circulated to all Members of the Council.	A response to this recommendation has been requested.	Rachel McKeon, Scrutiny Support Officer
11 October 2018	CESC/18/39 Widening Access and Participation, Leisure, Libraries, Galleries and Culture – Update	To request that data on which wards the users of individual leisure facilities lived in be circulated to Members.	A response to this recommendation has been requested and will be circulated to Members.	Lee Preston, Sport and Leisure Lead

8 November 2018	CESC/18/50 Equality Update	To seek assurance that the Strategic Development Directorate will produce EIAs where relevant, especially in relation to its housing activities.	A response to this recommendation has been requested and will be reported back to the Committee via the Overview Report.	Keiran Barnes, Equality Team Leader
6 December 2018	CESC/18/54 Update on Revenue Financial Strategy and Business Plan Process 2019/20	To ask the Chief Operating Officer (Neighbourhoods) to confirm the implications of the change of management for staff employed at the Powerleague in Whalley Range.	A response to this recommendation has been requested and will be reported back to the Committee via the Overview Report.	Fiona Worrall, Chief Operating Officer (Neighbourhoods)
6 December 2018	CESC/18/56 Overview Report	To recommend that the Chair meet with Councillor Fletcher-Hackwood to discuss how to take forward the suggestion that the Committee contribute to the review on making misogyny a hate crime.	A response to this recommendation will be reported back to the Committee via the Overview report.	Rachel McKeon, Scrutiny Support Officer
10 January 2019	CESC/19/04 Manchester Events Strategy 2019-2029	To request that the Strategic Lead (Parks, Leisure and Events) provide Members with further details of the Council resources being invested in core events.	A response to this recommendation has been requested and will be circulated to Members.	Neil Fairlamb, Strategic Lead (Parks, Leisure and Events)

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 **16 January 2019** 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 to be considered	Contact officer details
Supply of Library Materials 2018/12/20B	Approval to appoint a supplier(s) to provide Library Materials for the period of 1st June 2019 to 31st May 2022 with an option to extend for a further 12 months under an ESPO framework via STaR Procurement.	Director of Neighbourhood Services	February 2019	Confidential Report and Recommendation	Joanne Kettleby Service Development Specialist, Libraries Galleries and Culture. Tel: 0161 234 1940 Email: j.kettleby@manchester.gov.uk
Factory Project Ref: 15/012	The approval of capital expenditure in relation to the creation of the Factory.	City Treasurer	March 2018 or later	Checkpoint 4 Business Case	Dave Carty 0161 219 6501 d.carty@manchester.gov.uk

Leisure Services – External Ref: 2016/02/01C	The approval of capital expenditure.	City Treasurer	March 2018 or later	Checkpoint 4 Business Case procurement document	Lee Preston 07852957286 l.preston2@manchester.gov.uk
Peterloo Memorial 2018/10/04D	The approval of capital expenditure in relation to the creation of the Peterloo Memorial.	City Treasurer	December 2018 or later	Checkpoint 4 Business Case	Dave Carty d.carty@manchester.gov.uk 0161 234 5908
House and Institute of Sport 2018/10/17A	To undertake feasibility works around the National Squash Centre and Athletics Arena in advance of development of MMU – Institute of Sport and Council’s House of Sport. Feasibility works £1.5m (Council contribution £450k, MMU £1.05m).	The City Treasurer	October 2018	Report to Executive: Eastlands Regeneration Framework - 13.12.17 & 25.07.18 (update).	Name: Richard Cohen Position: Senior Development Surveyor Tel no: 234 3019 Email address: r.cohen@manchester.gov.uk
The Factory – MCC Contribution to the Factory & Land Acquisition’s in St Johns 2019/01/02A	Approval to spend MCC capital funding on the Factory Project & Land Acquisition’s in St Johns	The City Treasurer	Feb 19	Factory Manchester 1.Report to The Executive 29 July 2015 2.Factory Manchester	Jared Allen Director of Capital Programmes Tel: 0161 234 5683 Mobile: 07866 989671 email: j.allen4@manchester.gov.uk

				Project Overview 31st May 2016 3.Report to The Executive 26 July 2017 4.Report to The Executive January 2017 5. Report to The Executive 21 March 2018 6.Report to The Executive 14 November 2018	
University of Manchester – Armitage Sports Pitches Development Ref: 15/072	To approve the investment proposal and business case.	The Executive	March 2018 or later	Report and recommendation	Lee Preston 07852957286 l.preston2@manchester.gov.uk
The Great Run and Great City Games 2017 – 2020 Ref: 2017/02/01D	To approve a proposed 4 year contract 2017 – 2020, at a cost of £300,000 annually.	The Executive	March 2018 or later	Report and Recommendation	Mike Parrot 07786365016 m.parrot@manchester.gov.uk
Indoor Leisure Contracting Arrangements Ref: 2017/10/24B	To agree the appointment of a new Leisure Centre operator	Executive	May 2018	Report and recommendations	Lee Preston Sport and Leisure Lead 0161 219 2545 l.preston2@manchester.gov.uk

Sport and Leisure Governance Arrangements – Manchester Active Ref: 2017/10/24C	To agree the design and implementation of the new Sport and Leisure Governance Vehicle-Manchester Active	Executive	May 2018	Report and recommendations	Lee Preston Sport and Leisure Lead 0161 219 2545 l.preston2@manchester.gov.uk
National Taekwondo Centre 2018/10/19A	Enter into a 39 year lease with Sport Taekwondo UK Ltd for areas within the building.	The Chief Executive	November 2018	Briefing Note and Heads of Terms	Name: Richard Cohen Position: Senior Development Surveyor Tel no: 234 3019 Email address: r.cohen@manchester.gov.uk
Our Manchester VCS Funding Programme Ref: 2018/03/1E	To award £2.4m a year(in total), for 3 years to 63 voluntary and community sector organisations via medium and large grants	Deputy Chief Executive Growth and Neighbourhoods, Strategic Director Commissioning	28th March 2018	Report of the independent chair of the assessment panel Report on the conclusion of the due diligence process	Name: Michael Salmon Position: Programme Lead Tel no:0161 234 4557 Email address: m.salmon@manchester.gov.uk
Contract for the Provision of Advice Services 2018/08/16A	The appointment of a Provider to deliver Advice Services	Executive Director Strategic Commissioning and Director of Adult Social Services	November 2018	Report and Recommendation	Mike Worsley Procurement Manager mike.worsley@manchester.gov.uk 0161 234 3080

**Communities and Equalities Scrutiny Committee
Work Programme – February 2019**

Thursday 7 February 2019, 10.00 am (Report deadline Tuesday 29 January 2019)				
Item	Purpose	Executive Member	Strategic Director/ Lead Officer	Comments
Begging and people who beg in the city centre	To receive a report on the connection and distinction between rough sleeping and begging in the city centre and other areas of the city. To include information on the E-CINS analysis report.	Councillor S Murphy Councillor N Murphy	Eddie Smith/Fiona Worrall/Kate Macdonald/Sam Stabler	Invite City Centre Councillors, representatives from Riverside Housing and Reachout to the Community and the Chair of the Neighbourhoods & Environment Scrutiny Committee
Detailed budget and business plans	The Committee will consider the detailed budget and business plans within its remit following consideration of original proposals at its December 2018 meeting.	Councillor Ollerhead Councillor S Murphy Councillor N Murphy Councillor Rahman	Carol Culley/ Fiona Worrall	
Equality Impact Assessments (EIAs) 2019-20	To highlight the list of budget-related EIAs identified in the Directorates' Equality Delivery Plans for the Committee to factor into its work programme to review throughout the year.	Councillor S Murphy	Sara Todd/Sam McVaigh/Keiran Barnes	
Voluntary and	To receive an update to include information on the	Councillor S	Sara	

Community Sector (VCS) Infrastructure Service	recommendations from the co-design process and the consultation.	Murphy	Todd/Michael Salmon	
Overview Report	The monthly report includes the recommendations monitor, relevant key decisions, the Committee's work programme and any items for information.	-	Rachel McKeon	
At the rise of the meeting, Members will meet to discuss the format of future reports and how the Committee can better scrutinise the issues within its remit.				

Thursday 7 March 2019, 10.00 am (Report deadline Tuesday 26 February 2019)				
Item	Purpose	Executive Member	Strategic Director/ Lead Officer	Comments
Greater Manchester Police (GMP) priorities for additional resources	To receive a report or presentation on how the funding from the precept has been spent and how this had benefited residents and priorities for spending this funding in the next year.	Councillor N Murphy	Fiona Worrall/Sam Stabler	See January 2019 minutes Invite Chief Superintendent Wasim Chaudhry, or another representative from GMP, and the Deputy Mayor for Policing and Crime
Community Events	To receive a report on community events, including allocation of Council funding.	Councillor S Murphy Councillor Rahman	Fiona Worrall/Neil Fairlamb	See January 2019 minutes
Equalities Performance Management	To receive a report to include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • achievements in 2018-19 in support of the Council's equality objectives. • a forward plan for co-designing / refreshing 	Councillor S Murphy	Sara Todd/Sam McVaigh/Keiran Barnes	

	<p>the equality objectives for 2020-24.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> detail and analysis of the Directorate Equality Delivery Plans 2019-20. 			
Final Report of the Our Manchester Voluntary and Community Sector (VCS) Fund Task and Finish Group	To receive the final report and recommendations of the Our Manchester Voluntary and Community Sector (VCS) Fund Task and Finish Group.	Councillor S Murphy Councillor Craig	Rachel McKeon	
Overview Report		-	Rachel McKeon	

Items To be Scheduled				
Item	Purpose	Executive Member	Strategic Director/ Lead Officer	Comments
Community Safety Overview	To receive a regular update report on the work of the Community Safety Partnership (CSP). To request that this include regular updates on work in relation to accommodation for offenders.	Councillor N Murphy	Fiona Worrall/ Sam Stabler/ Samiya Butt	See November 2018 minutes
Sport and Leisure	To receive an update report at an appropriate time. To ask officers to undertake a piece of work to map the providers' Community Development Plans against the Our Manchester Strategy and all the Equality Strands, including engagement with Age Friendly Manchester and the Our Manchester Disability Plan and to include this in the report, with case studies.	Councillor Rahman Councillor S Murphy	Sara Todd/Fiona Worrall/Neil Fairlamb	See December 2016 and November 2018 minutes
Trans Report	To continue to monitor actions arising from the Trans Report.	Councillor S Murphy	Sara Todd/Sam McVaigh/Keiran Barnes	See November 2017 minutes
Universal Credit	To receive a report on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the Welfare Reform Board's work on the 	Councillor S Murphy	Angela Harrington	TBC See November

	<p>impact of Universal Credit in Manchester, focusing on to its impact on people with protected characteristics.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • how advice services are supporting residents moving to Universal Credit. 			2017 minutes Invite Chair of Economy Scrutiny Committee
Extra Care Housing Options	To receive a report on extra care housing options.	Councillor Richards Councillor S Murphy Councillor Craig	Director of Adult Social Services /Jon Sawyer/ Zoe Robertson	See February 2018 minutes Invite Chairs of Health Scrutiny Committee and Neighbourhoods and Environment Scrutiny Committee and Lead Member for Age Friendly Manchester
Languages	To receive a report on languages, including how the city celebrates the range of languages spoken in Manchester and the work of Manchester University's Multilingual Manchester.	Councillor S Murphy Councillor Rahman	Fiona Worrall	See March 2018 minutes
Parks Strategy	To receive a further report on the Parks Strategy, to include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • further information on the management plans for parks. • how smaller parks fit into the strategy and how they can be improved. 	Councillor Rahman	Fiona Worrall/Neil Fairlamb/Kylie Ward	
Widening Access and Participation	To receive a further report on Widening Access and Participation focusing specifically on protected characteristics.	Councillor Rahman Councillor S Murphy	Sara Todd/Fiona Worrall/Neil MacInnes/Neil Fairlamb/Keiran Barnes	See October 2018 minutes

Recording Misogyny as a Hate Crime	To receive an update on what actions GMP is taking in relation to recording misogyny as a hate crime.	Councillor N Murphy	Fiona Worrall/ Sam Stabler	See November 2018 minutes
Greater Manchester Ageing Strategy	To receive a report on the Greater Manchester Ageing Strategy and how this relates to the work taking place at a Manchester level.	Councillor S Murphy Councillor Craig	David Regan/ Paul McGarry/ Philip Bradley/ Dave Thorley /Sophie Black	See November 2018 minutes Invite Lead Member for Age Friendly Manchester
Voluntary and Community Sector (VCS) Infrastructure Contract	To receive a further report, to include information on how the Memorandum of Understanding between the GMCA and the GMCVO relates to this work.	Councillor S Murphy Councillor Ollerhead	Sara Todd/Michael Salmon	See December 2018 minutes