



Environment, Climate Change and Neighbourhoods Scrutiny Committee

Date: Thursday, 23 May 2024

Time: 2.00 pm

Venue: Council Antechamber, Level 2, Town Hall Extension

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Councillors - Shilton Godwin (Chair), Hussain, Kirwin-McGinley, Mumtaz, Ilyas, McCaul, Razaq, Wiest and Wright

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 declare any personal, prejudicial or disclosable pecuniary interest 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. Members with a personal interest should declare that interest 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 7 March 2024.

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5. Manchester City Council Climate Change Action Plan Work Programme 2024-25 & Climate Change Action Plan 2025-30 Development

Report of the Strategic Director (Growth and Development)

This report provides both an update on the work programme for the fifth and final year of the current MCC Climate Change Action Plan (CCAP Work Programme 2024-25) and plans for the development of the next MCC CCAP for the period 2025-30.

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6. Overview Report

Report of the Governance and Scrutiny Support Unit

This is a monthly report, which includes the recommendations monitor, relevant key decisions, the Committee's work programme and any items for information.

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Please note, there will be a Work Programming session at the rise of this meeting for committee members only.

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Environment, Climate Change and Neighbourhoods Scrutiny Committee

Minutes of the meeting held on 7 March 2024

Present:

Councillor Shilton Godwin – in the Chair
Councillors Chohan, Ilyas, McCaul, Wiest and Wright

Apologies: Councillor Collins and Holt

Also present:

Councillor Rawlins, Executive Member for Environment and Transport
Councillor Foley, Deputy Executive Member for Environment and Transport
Councillor Igbon, Executive Member for Vibrant Neighbourhoods
Councillor Ahmed Ali, Deputy Executive Member for Vibrant Neighbourhoods
Councillor White, Executive Member for Housing and Development
Councillor Hacking, Executive Member for Skills, Employment and Leisure
Councillor Johns, Chair of the Economy and Regeneration Scrutiny Committee

ECCNSC/24/13 Minutes

Decision

To approve the minutes of the Environment and Climate Change Scrutiny Committee meeting held on 8 February 2024 as a correct record.

ECCNSC/24/14 Housing Retrofit

The Committee considered the report of the Strategic Director, Growth and Development that provided an update on the Council's proposals to decarbonise the city's housing.

Key points and themes in the report included:

- Providing an introduction and background;
- An update on Social Housing, including Council owned properties;
- Describing the programmes targeted at private homeowners and the private rented sector;
- Cross tenure approaches and area-based schemes;
- Information on research projects;
- Resident engagement;
- Discussion of work and skills, incorporating an update on Green Skills;
- Funding arrangements;
- Internal staffing resources;
- An update on the approach to developing a Retrofit Plan; and
- Conclusions.

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

- That future update reports should include a visual representation that describes delivery of retrofitting by different tenures, this could be a graph or similar chart so as to understand progress against the stated ambition to retrofit 84,000 homes in the city by the end of 2025;
- Recognising the complexity of this issue and the limitations presented as a result of the short-term funding pots of money that were available to the city;
- The need for continual lobbying of the government for adequate, long-term funding to deliver the ambitions described;
- Recognising the importance of delivering housing retrofit at scale as an important contributor to delivering the carbon reduction target for the city;
- Noting that retrofitting was also a social justice issue, particularly in the context of the cost-of-living crisis;
- Social Housing Providers should collaborate to deliver housing retrofit programmes and use their collective powers to achieve economies of scale when commissioning works;
- Were loans available, rather than grants for residents wishing to undertake retrofit work on their properties; and
- The position on new builds and the installation of gas boilers.

The Executive Member for Housing and Development acknowledged the ask from the Committee regarding a dashboard to report progress against the 2025 target and stated that consideration would be given to how best to provide this in future update reports. He commented that retrofitting work was part of the wider Housing Strategy for the city, adding that initially the work had been targeted at social housing using the Social Housing Decarbonisation Fund. He added that local Housing Providers had applied for and been awarded funding through the Social Housing Decarbonisation Fund also, however he highlighted the issues and challenges surrounding green skills to deliver the work at the scale and pace required. He commented that the projects that had been delivered, including the pilot zero carbon retrofitting in North Manchester had demonstrated proof of concept to drive this programme of work. He described the current challenges to delivery, namely inadequate and short-term funding arrangements, inflationary pressures and the need to improve tenant engagement on this important subject area. He said that delivery of retrofitting needed to be considered in terms of both addressing the climate crisis and the many benefits to residents, both in terms of living in more comfortable and cost-effective homes. In response to residents who were willing to pay and the different options available, he commented that the Greater Manchester Combined Authority (GMCA) Portal would direct people to the different schemes available, adding that the 'Feel the Benefit' campaign to help Greater Manchester residents access home energy savings support was due to be launched. This campaign would see GMCA and its partners coming together to make energy saving advice clearer and easier to access. He said that until gas boilers were banned there were currently no enforcement options available however officers would continue to engage with developers on this issue, adding that the Local Plan would strengthen this position and new social housing buildings included alternatives to traditional gas boilers.

The Executive Member for Skills, Employment and Leisure discussed the challenges that existed in terms of the work and skills market to deliver the scale of retrofitting

required. He described the work of the Work and Skills Team who had embedded within the Liveable and Zero Carbon priorities into the refreshed Work and Skills Strategy. He commented that this refreshed Work and Skills Strategy would be reported to the Executive and appropriate Scrutiny Committee. He further advised that the Work and Skills Team were also working closely with GMCA providing support and promotion of commissioned activities to improve the provision of retrofit skills in Greater Manchester. He referred to the Green Skills Academy as an important development for the city and wider city region, adding that this provided an opportunity and platform to engage and work with employers to offer trainee and apprenticeship roles. He further discussed the current challenge that existed in regard to qualification recognition and the qualification structure, adding that discussions were ongoing with providers to address these issues. He also discussed the challenge regarding current government funding arrangements, particularly for Small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) adding that the current model did not work for this sector and lobbying of government continued on this issue. He further referred to huge pipeline of construction contracts that existed, with construction companies being very busy and noting that this presented a challenge to them releasing existing staff to retrain and learn new green skills. He concluded by stating that both government and industry were yet to understand the scale and pace required to deliver the works required.

The Committee welcomed Councillor Johns, Chair of the Economy and Regeneration Scrutiny Committee. He stated that he welcomed the progress reported since this had last been last considered by the Economy and Regeneration Scrutiny Committee. He said that he recognised the constraints placed on the city's ambitions due to the inadequate and short-term funding arrangements provided by the government. He also acknowledged the challenges described regarding green skills as previously articulated by the Executive Member for Skills, Employment and Leisure. He commented that challenges also existed in relation to the funding of post 16-year-old education and vocational skills, including the number of teachers to teach construction skills. He added that consideration needed to be given to how to include figures in future reports to demonstrate the gaps in the labour supply and narrative on what was being done to address this.

The Assistant Director of Strategic Housing stated that the funding made available to deliver housing retrofit works was to raise properties to a minimum of an energy performance certificate (EPC) rating of C, however the ambition in Manchester was to raise this to B.

The Strategic Director, Growth & Development said that different Social Housing Providers worked collaboratively to deliver retrofitting works, however they also were reliant on grant funding, adding that discussions were ongoing with the GMCA to understand the opportunities via the trailblazer devolution arrangements to support this activity. The Executive Member for Housing and Development added that he would discuss the issue raised with the Manchester Housing Providers Partnership. The Zero Carbon Programme Manager commented that there was an established history of collaborative working across the different Social Housing Providers in the city, adding that strategic consideration was given to the issue of retrofitting as part of their wider asset management strategy.

The Zero Carbon Programme Manager discussed the issue of tracking progress of housing retrofit delivery and how this could be tracked and reported against the established science-based carbon reduction target for the city and consideration would be given to this, noting the capacity issues within the team. She stated that the Council's Climate Change Action Plan would be refreshed in 2025 and they would be involved in those discussions as that work was progressed. She commented that the term retrofit meant different things and there was no standardised definition due to the complexity of this issue as the report articulated.

Decision

To note the report and recommend that future update reports include a visual representation that describes delivery of retrofitting by different tenure so as to understand progress against the stated ambition to retrofit 84,000 homes in the city by the end of 2025.

[Councillor Shilton Godwin declared a personal and non-prejudicial interest in this item as she would be engaging the services of the Your Home Better scheme.]

ECCNSC/24/15 Manchester Green and Blue Strategy and Implementation Plan, including annual update and a report on the Tree and Woodland Action Plan

The Committee considered the report of the Director of Planning, Building Control and Licensing that provided the annual update on the delivery of the Green and Blue (G&BI) Implementation Plan together with information on the Biodiversity Action plan and new draft Tree and Woodland Action Plan.

Key points and themes in the report included:

- Providing an introduction and background;
- Describing the governance arrangements and the role of the G&BI Board;
- Places for Everyone, noting that this had been recommended for adoption and would be going to Executive on the 15 March and Council on the 20 March for adoption by Council;
- Local Plan, noting that the preparation of a draft Local Plan would include strong environmental policies around green and blue infrastructure, biodiversity and open space making full use of the up-to-date evidence produced through the G&BI Strategy;
- Biodiversity Net Gain (BNG) and Urban Green Factor, noting that a Manchester Urban Green Factor approach was being considered for inclusion within the Local Plan to ensure developers were delivering more green infrastructure;
- An update on the G&BI Implementation Plan;
- Information of the Sustainable Drainage Systems (SuDS) design guide;
- Awards and recognition;
- An update on the Tree Action Plan, including findings from the public consultation;
- Providing an update on the delivery of the Manchester Biodiversity Strategy Action Plan; and
- Key priorities for 2024/25.

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

- Highways works and the planting of trees;
- The need to increase leaf cover in the city centre to counter the heat island effect and increase carbon capture;
- Trees on Council owned land and what protections were in place to protect these in the event that the land was sold;
- The need to ensure that urban waterways were free of rubbish and pollution to promote biodiversity, noting the complexity of this due to the different owners;
- The approach to weirs;
- How was the 10% uplift in biodiversity provision that all developments would be expected to provide calculated and how would this be enforced;
- The learning from the delivery of the West Gorton Community 'Sponge' Park should be used in all new developments;
- Water recycling and the use of grey water should be incorporated into all new developments;
- The need to ensure BNG was delivered on site when developments were delivered;
- Noting the importance of planting the correct species of trees;
- Noting the responses from the public consultation, adding that consideration needed to be given to increasing the response rate from different demographic groups; and
- Paying tribute to the Arbor team for their continued advice and support to local Members.

The Director of Planning, Building Control and Licensing stated that the team worked closely with the Highways Department to deliver appropriate tree planting when schemes were delivered. She commented that the importance of tree planting to provide canopy cover and counter the heat island effect, especially in the city centre, was understood. She commented that this was considered as part of the wider sustainable growth agenda to be included in the Local Plan.

The Director of Planning, Building Control and Licensing stated that the Council were the custodians of any high value trees on land that the Council owned, and the importance of trees were recognised in the principles of development. In regard to 'on site' BNG as opposed to 'off site' she said that currently they could not legislate against delivery of BNG 'off site', however the Local Plan would establish a hierarchy of preference.

The Director of Planning, Building Control and Licensing stated that all developers were required to submit a detailed Environmental Standard Statement that provided information on a range of environmental conditions and helped to show how a proposed development would affect the environment. This provided an opportunity to engage with developers on this topic.

The Senior Policy Officer referred to the Our Rivers Our City that was delivered in partnership with the Environment Agency, Natural England and United Utilities. He said that the interconnectivity of the water network was recognised with dialogue with different authorities had been initiated. He further advised that weirs were a barrier to biodiversity and the removal of these promoted connectivity between different

waterways and subsequently supported the local ecology. He further commented that the removal of these also contributed to flood resilience work. He advised that a bid had been submitted for the Medlock Project to improve connectivity and an update on this would be provided to the Committee at the appropriate time. He commented that if Members were interested, he would facilitate a walk along the Medlock to describe the ambitions.

The Planning and Infrastructure Manager commented that the Environment Agency were the principal responsible body to deal with issues of pollution in waterways, adding that Our Rivers Our City included consideration of pollution.

The Senior Policy Officer described that discussions were also ongoing across boundaries regarding tree planting and made reference to the work with Salford to identify cross boundary locations that would be suitable for tree planting. He stated that a long-term approach was being taken to the location of tree planting to increase canopy cover with a refreshed methodology to undertake a tree audit and report the increase in canopy cover.

The Neighbourhoods Team Lead, Grounds Maintenance commented that the importance of native trees was understood however consideration was given to climate resilience when selecting tree species. He added that this approach was undertaken in consultation with national experts.

The Principal Policy Officer provided a detailed response that described how the 10% uplift in biodiversity would be calculated based on the metrics prescribed in the national guidance. She commented that these would be included in any subsequent planning conditions or Section 106 agreements with developers. She said that the monitoring of these sites, including off site locations that would be required to be registered, will be monitored for the subsequent thirty years, noting that the Ecology Unit would be upscaled to support this activity.

Decision

To note the report.

ECCNSC/24/16 Update on The Management And Provision Of Allotments

The Committee considered the report of the Strategic Director (Neighbourhoods) that provided an overview of the provision and management of allotments in Manchester.

Key points and themes in the report included:

- Discussion of the current position and progress against Allotments Objectives;
- The approach to increasing access to the use of allotments and food growing spaces;
- Improvement to the quality of provision to ensure allotment sites were welcoming and accessible to all;
- The approach to ensuring sustainable practice; and
- Next steps.

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

- Welcoming the work described and acknowledging the work undertaken by all officers involved in the work described;
- Welcoming the decision to reduce plot sizes to increase uptake;
- Welcoming the work to return to use derelict plots;
- Had there been any analysis of the cost-of-living crisis and the use of allotments by residents to grow their own food;
- Was consideration given to increasing the number of allotments and using other available green space for food growing opportunities;
- Noting the current waiting lists and the level of unmet need; and
- The use of pesticides, and had consideration been given to introducing an organic only policy across the city.

The Deputy Executive Member for Vibrant Neighbourhoods spoke of the many benefits offered by allotments. These included health and wellbeing, developing and strengthening community groups, supporting biodiversity and contributing the actions to address climate change.

The Parks Lead address the Committee by paying tribute to her colleague Sam Simpson who had been involved in the work described and who had sadly passed away last May. She wished to place on public record her recognition and appreciation of this work and the important contribution Sam made to the team.

The Parks Lead stated that the report described the positive progress that had been achieved to date to understand the use of allotments, including the donation of excess produce to local food banks. She said that all opportunities for increasing provision were considered, noting the correct use and balance of green space needed to be achieved. She said that these opportunities would be explored through the local Neighbourhood Teams in close consultation with the local community.

The Strategy Manager, Parks commented that demand for allotments had increased, hence the work to maximise plot space on those existing allotment sites. He stated that this increase in demand was as a result of a number of factors, including an increase in population and the cost-of-living crisis. He commented that the introduction of the improved data management system would help improve turnover rates and help address issues when plots were left uncultivated. He further noted the comment from a Member and stated that any local issues could be picked up following the meeting.

The Parks Lead stated that local volunteer societies were important in the promotion of best practice on allotment sites, recognising that a lot of good work was already done in relation to the use of pesticides. She said that the ambition was to scale up this work and develop and set of principles for all sites that included actions to increase and support biodiversity.

The Executive Member for Vibrant Neighbourhoods commented that the work described needed to be considered in the wider context of the Manchester Green and Blue Strategy that had previously been discussed earlier on the agenda. She commented that appropriate consideration needed to be given to expanding

allotment provision across the city when considering wider developments and the use of associated green space.

The Deputy Executive Member for Vibrant Neighbourhoods commented that due consideration to land ownership had to be given when considering alternative sites. The Director of Neighbourhood Delivery added that issues of land contamination also needed to be taken into account when identifying potential alternative sites for food growing opportunities.

The Deputy Executive Member for Vibrant Neighbourhoods concluded by informing the Committee that Manchester Metropolitan University were undertaking a research study in Rusholme into the use of green space and he would circulate information on this work to the Committee for information.

Decision

To note the report.

[Councillor Shilton Godwin declared a personal and non-prejudicial interest in this item as she is a plot holder at the Cleveleys Avenue site.]

ECCNSC/24/17 Overview Report

The report of the Governance and Scrutiny Support Unit which contained key decisions within the Committee's remit and responses to previous recommendations was submitted for comment. Members were also invited to agree the Committee's future work programme.

The Chair commented that she would be speaking with relevant Executive Members and Officers to scope the Work Programme for the new municipal year.

Decision

The Committee notes the report and agrees the work programme, noting the above comments.

**Manchester City Council
Report for Information**

Report to: Environment, Climate Change and Neighbourhoods Scrutiny Committee – 23 May 2024

Subject: Manchester City Council Climate Change Action Plan Work Programme 2024-25 & Climate Change Action Plan 2025-30 Development

Report of: Strategic Director (Growth and Development)

Summary

The Council declared a Climate Emergency in July 2019, has set a target to be Zero Carbon by 2038 at the latest and developed a Climate Change Action Plan (CCAP) 2020-25, which was approved by the Council's Executive in March 2020.

This report provides both an update on the work programme for the fifth and final year of the current MCC Climate Change Action Plan (CCAP Work Programme 2024-25) and plans for the development of the next MCC CCAP for the period 2025-30.

Wards Affected: All

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| <p>Environmental Impact Assessment - the impact of the issues addressed in this report on achieving the zero-carbon target for the city</p> |
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| <p>The Council's Climate Change Action Plan 2020-25 sets out the actions that will be delivered to ensure that the Council plays its full part in delivering the city's Climate Change Framework 2020-25.</p> |
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| <p>Equality, Diversity and Inclusion - the impact of the issues addressed in this report in meeting our Public Sector Equality Duty and broader equality commitments</p> |
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| <p>Actions set out in the Climate Change Action Plan 2020-25 recognise the need for just and equal delivery of climate action across the city, focusing on areas such as community engagement, accessible transport, access to green spaces and tackling fuel poverty.</p> |
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| Manchester Strategy outcomes | Summary of how this report aligns to the OMS/Contribution to the Strategy |
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| A thriving and sustainable city: supporting a diverse and distinctive economy that creates jobs and opportunities | Manchester's reputation as a leader in delivering on climate change will help to attract investment and businesses to the city. This will contribute towards helping the transition to a zero carbon city, which in turn will help the city's economy become more sustainable and will generate jobs within the low carbon energy and goods sector. |
| A highly skilled city: world class and home grown talent sustaining the city's economic success | Work underway in the Council supporting schools and the wider education sector will help develop a future well equipped workforce, whilst work underway under the Green Skills Action Plan is helping support industry be prepared for the demand that is being created within the zero carbon sector. |
| A progressive and equitable city: making a positive contribution by unlocking the potential of our communities | There is a targeted focus on retrofitting homes across the city to help tackle fuel poverty and the cost-of-living crisis by reducing energy bills and this is a key part of the transition to a zero-carbon city. Health outcomes will also be improved through healthier homes as well as other areas, such as the promotion of more sustainable and active modes of transport, improved air quality and increasing access to quality green spaces. |
| A liveable and low carbon city: a destination of choice to live, visit, work | Published plans for Ward Climate Change Action, Green and Blue Infrastructure, Open Spaces and Parks (helping to adapt and increase resilience) are key areas of Manchester becoming a zero carbon city will help the city to be a more attractive place for people to live, work, visit and study. |
| A connected city: world class infrastructure and connectivity to drive growth | Our investment in active and sustainable travel is helping Manchester to have a fully zero carbon transport system, which will create a world class business environment to drive sustainable economic growth. |

Full details are in the body of the report, along with any implications for:

- Equal Opportunities Policy
- Risk Management
- Legal Considerations

Financial Consequences – Revenue

None directly arising from this report.

Financial Consequences – Capital

None directly arising from this report.

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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 the Officers noted above.

1. [Manchester City Council Climate Change Action Plan 2020-25](#)
2. [Manchester City Council Climate Emergency Declaration \(July 2019\)](#)
3. [Manchester Climate Change Framework 2020-25 \(2022\)](#)

1.0 Introduction

- 1.1 This report provides an overview of the work programme that is planned to be delivered within the fifth year of the Council's Climate Change Action Plan (CCAP) between April 2024 - March 2025 and sets out the planned approach to development of a new five-year CCAP covering the period 2025-30.
- 1.2 The CCAP Work Programme for 2024-25 and proposed approach to development of the 2025-30 CCAP have been informed by discussions with officers delivering the five current workstreams and the Council's Zero Carbon Coordination Group.

2.0 Background

- 2.1 A five-year Council CCAP 2020-25 went live following approval at the City Council's Executive Committee in March 2020.
 - 2.2 The City Council has a science-based 'carbon budget' calculated by the Tyndall Centre for Climate Research of 126,336 tonnes of CO₂. This is the maximum amount of CO₂ which the Council can emit between 2020 and 2025 to remain on target to be zero carbon by 2038. These emissions limits relate to the direct emissions from Council buildings, streetlights, vehicles and from MCC staff business travel.
 - 2.3 The CCAP also recognises the Council's unique leadership role in supporting and influencing the city to reduce its emissions and in ensuring that the city's residents are protected from the impacts of climate change.
 - 2.4 The actions outlined in the CCAP are structured across five workstreams as follows:
 - 1. Buildings and Energy
 - 2. Transport and Travel
 - 3. Sustainable Consumption
 - 4. Adaptation and Carbon Sequestration
 - 5. Influencing Behaviour and Catalysing Change
 - 2.5 Regular updates on delivery of the CCAP are provided via published Quarterly Progress Reports and Annual Reports, which have also been scheduled into this Committee's 2024/25 work programme. Previous CCAP quarterly and annual progress reports are available on [the Council's website](#).
- ## 3.0 Climate Change Action Plan Annual Work Programme 2024/25
- 3.1 The MCC Climate Change Action Plan Work Programme for 2024-25 focuses on specific actions or critical milestones to be delivered during this final year of delivery of the MCC CCAP 2020-25.
 - 3.2 The 2024-25 CCAP Work Programme includes actions that are ongoing as part of longer-term commitments and milestones for new projects, such as

purchasing direct renewable energy supplies through a Power Purchase Agreement (PPA), the delivery of the Local Net Zero Accelerator project through funding secured from the Department for Energy Security and Net Zero (DESNZ) and the ongoing Estates Decarbonisation Programme of Council owned buildings. This work programme is attached as **Appendix 1**.

- 3.3 For 2024-25, the City Council's CO2 emissions target is to emit no more than 18,759 tCO2 through direct emissions from Council buildings, streetlights, refuse collection vehicles, operational fleet and staff business travel.
- 3.4 Progress on MCC emissions reduction will continue to be reported quarterly with reports published on-line and made available to this Committee. A mid-year CCAP progress report is scheduled to come to this Committee in January 2025 and a CCAP Annual Report capturing all 2024/25 progress and actions will be published in summer 2025.
- 3.5 The 2024/25 Environment, Climate Change and Neighbourhoods Committee Work Programme will also include a range of CCAP related reports allowing wider opportunities for scrutiny of the CCAP work programme by the Committee over the municipal year.

4.0 **Developing a Climate Change Action Plan for the Period 2025-30**

- 4.1 The current MCC CCAP covers the period 2020-25 and a new MCC Climate Change Action Plan 2025-30 is in development, led by the Council's Zero Carbon Team within City Policy. This report sets out the Council's approach to developing the new CCAP for the 2025-30 period. A further update on progress with developing the 2025-30 CCAP will be provided to this Committee in January 2025.
- 4.2 This Committee will receive a report seeking their support for the 2025-30 MCC Climate Change Action Plan in September 2025 ahead of a final 2025-30 CCAP going to the City Council's Executive for approval in October 2025.
- 4.3 In our approach to developing this new 5-year CCAP, we have considered a number of factors including the national and regional context on policy and delivery of climate actions, our performance to date in delivering the current 2020-25 CCAP, areas where we need to do more, or may need to change our approach.

5.0 **CCAP 2025-30 - National, Regional and Local Policy and Funding Context**

- 5.1 During 2024/25 there are some wider national, regional and city level policy considerations which are relevant to the development of the new 2025-30 CCAP. These include a General Election, decisions relating to the decarbonisation of heat and the National Grid, the development and launch of a new GMCA 5-year Environment Plan, development of a new 10 year Our Manchester Strategy, local government funding and work to develop a new citywide Manchester Climate Change Framework for the 2025-30 period. It is

important that these are all considered in the development of the Council's 2025-30 CCAP over the next 12-18 months.

National

- 5.2 UK General Election - There will be a UK General Election held on a date before 28 January 2025. Regardless of the outcome, this will see a new government in office from 2025 and inevitably some changes to Government policies and spending priorities across a range of policy areas, including those affecting climate change such as the energy, retrofit and transport. Our timescales for development of the new 2025-30 CCAP take account of this and ensure that we have some time in the first half of 2025 to consider any national policy and funding changes and how these may impact on local plans.
- 5.3 Decarbonisation of the UK National Grid - Current projections are that the National Grid will decarbonise by 2035 and this is factored into the Council's projections of future carbon emissions. If the National Grid does not decarbonise at the expected rate, this could impact upon achievement of our carbon reduction targets. During 2024, the Council procured a Power Purchase Agreement (PPA) for a direct supply of renewable electricity which makes a significant contribution to meeting our CO2 reduction targets and also protects us against any slowdown in decarbonisation of the National Grid. However, we will continue to monitor national policy and grid decarbonisation progress and include the most up to date data in future projections.
- 5.4 Transitioning from Gas to Electric – The UK has been heavily reliant on the use of gas for many decades with gas being the dominant fuel for central heating of commercial and domestic homes and has offered a relatively cheap and lower carbon alternative. To achieve zero carbon by 2038 we need to rapidly transition heat and energy generation away from gas to renewable electricity supplies. System change (in terms of infrastructure and end user equipment) plus wide-spread behaviour change is required to move away from tried and tested gas solutions.

Regional

- 5.5 Greater Manchester has the same Zero Carbon 2038 targets as Manchester, and it is important that Manchester and GMCA work together to achieve our shared objectives.
- 5.6 GMCA are currently developing their new GM 5 Year Environmental Plan, expected to launch in January 2025. The Council are engaging with GMCA on an ongoing basis during this development process and it is important that MCC develops its own CCAP in the context of that wider GM plan. Decarbonisation and Net Zero funding will also be part of the new GM single settlement from Government from 2025/26 as set out in the GM Trailblazer Devolution Deal.

Local

- 5.7 A new Our Manchester Strategy for 2025-35 is under development with a report on the phase 1 engagement scheduled for the July 2024 meeting of this Committee and the draft strategy being considered in October 2024. The strategy will set the vision, themes and priorities for the city for the next decade and will be underpinned with extensive engagement and consultation via an online survey, in person engagement events, partnership board conversations and other targeted work with specific places and communities. The new CCAP 2025-30 will be aligned to the new Our Manchester Strategy and will set an externally facing vision and action plan which clearly states how the Council will deliver a Zero Carbon Council and contribute towards a Zero Carbon City.
- 5.8 Manchester Climate Change Agency are currently planning the development of a new Manchester Climate Change Framework for the period 2025-30. The Framework is the city's high-level strategy for tackling climate change. Representatives of Manchester Climate Change Agency are also providing expert input, support, and challenge in the development of the Council's CCAP 2025-30.
- 5.9 Financing CCAP 2025-30 – The Council has worked hard to invest significantly in the delivery of CCAP 2020-25 and it is our aim to continue to invest to deliver the 2025-30 CCAP. As we progress towards 2038, the actions needed to reduce the remaining CO2 emissions become technologically and financially more challenging. However, the Council, like all Councils in the UK, is facing significant budget challenges due to on-going cuts to government funding and we need to develop new funding and financing options to maintain the levels of investment needed in the future.
- 5.10 Zero Carbon by 2038 - We will develop the CCAP 2025-30 on the basis that our target is to be a Zero Carbon Council and a Zero Carbon City by 2038 at the latest and we will explore opportunities to take actions to accelerate our decarbonisation if they are found to be viable, deliverable and financeable.
- 6.0 Climate Change Action Plan 2025-30 – Engagement**
- 6.1 In March 2024, engagement began across each of the Council's Directorates (Growth and Development, Childrens, Adults, Public Health, Corporate Core and Neighbourhoods) for initial input into the development of CCAP 2025-30.
- 6.2 Every Council Directorate will be engaged regularly over the coming months covering climate adaptation, mitigation and carbon reduction. Workshops with Council officers will be supported by Manchester Climate Change Agency where relevant and the outputs from these workshops will form the basis of the Council's actions for inclusion within the CCAP 2025-30.
- 6.3 In the CCAP 2025-30 there will be targets and actions addressing two key areas:

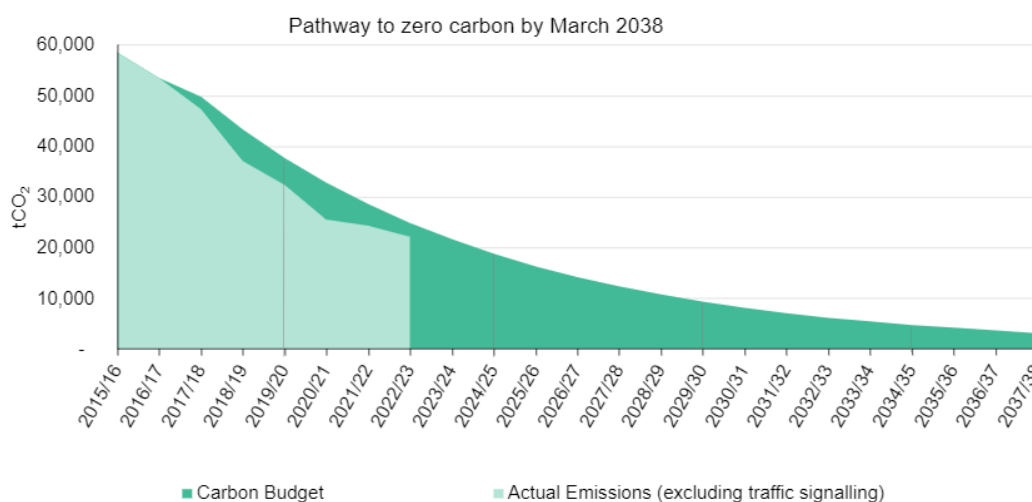
- **Zero Carbon Council** actions will deliver reductions to the City Council’s direct carbon emissions (key to meeting our Science Based Targets) across Council buildings, operational fleet, street lighting and staff travel. Alongside other indirect climate actions within the Council’s operations such as carbon literacy, policy actions and behaviour change. The Zero Carbon Council part of the plan will have embedded climate adaptation actions to ensure the Council is strengthening overall resilience to climate change and safeguarding service delivery.
- **Zero Carbon City** actions will relate to the Council’s city leadership role and ability to influence others in delivery of city-wide climate actions and emissions reductions. The Zero Carbon City part of the CCAP will also have climate adaptation actions embedded to ensure we are educating and influencing others to become more resilient city in the face of climate change.

7.0 CCAP 2025-30 - Zero Carbon Council

7.1 Manchester City Council has in place a science-based target, set by the Tyndall Centre for Climate Change Research, to be zero carbon by 2038 at the latest, 12 years ahead of UK government requirements. This involves the assignment of a ‘carbon budget’ – the total amount of carbon dioxide which can be emitted in order to stay within the 2038 target. The council has divided this carbon budget into 5 yearly blocks, to monitor our progress. The carbon budget for the period 2025-30 is 62,969 tonnes of CO₂.

7.2 Figure 1 below shows Manchester City Council's science-based carbon reduction ‘pathway’ to 2038.

Figure 1



| Manchester City Council | | 2020/21 - 2024/25 | 2025/26 - 2029/30 | 2030/31 - 2034/35 | 2035/36 - 2037/38 |
|-------------------------|---|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Target | Carbon Budget (Tonnes CO ₂) | 126,336 | 62,969 | 31,385 | 10,650 |
| Trajectory | % Estimated Reduction | -48% | -50% | -50% | |

Source: Manchester City Council.
 % estimated reduction represents the mean average emissions of each 5 year carbon budget period compared against the previous 5 year carbon budget period average, for example the emissions for the period 2020/21 - 2024/25 are compared to the period 2015/16 - 2019/20.

The darker shaded line in Figure 1 shows the Council's science-based target and the lighter shaded area shows the Council's progress to date. The table shows the Council is making strong progress in reducing emissions from its own operations.

- 7.3 In order to progress the planning of actions towards our 2030 (and ultimately 2038) target, the City Council is analysing emissions projections and planned emissions reductions across Council owned building and vehicles, our streetlights and from MCC staff travel – these make up the Council's direct emissions (also known as Scope 1 and 2 emissions).
- 7.4 The Council's purchase of renewable energy through a Power Purchase Agreement (PPA), which was procured in 2024 and is due to commence supply of clean renewable energy from late 2025, will make a significant contribution to the Council's CO2 reduction target during the 2025-30 period.
- 7.5 As the financial budget position for Local Government remains extremely challenging in the coming years, investments in further CO2 reductions across the Council's buildings, fleet, streetlighting and staff travel will be carefully assessed, planned and delivered and the CCAP 2025-30 will bring forward a programme of planned actions to enable the Council to meet its 2025-30 target.
- 7.6 In addition to actions on reducing the Council's direct operational emissions, the Zero Carbon Council workstream will also include actions around continued staff campaigns and carbon literacy training, continued efforts to reduce the carbon footprint of supplies and services used by the Council supplies (i.e. in-direct or Scope 3 emissions) and continued actions to develop different ways of funding zero carbon activity, both through existing Council funds and external public and private finance.
- 8.0 CCAP 2025-30 - Zero Carbon City**
- 8.1 During 2024/25, Manchester Climate Change Agency will be developing a new 2025-30 Climate Change Framework for the City. The Framework sets out how the City as a whole can deliver our shared Zero Carbon 2038 objectives.
- 8.2 The City Council must play its full part in the development and delivery of the Framework. We will do this through our Zero Carbon City actions tackling our direct emissions from Council operations (see section 8 of this report). In addition, the Council has a unique leadership role to play in supporting the rest of the city to play its full part in achieving Zero Carbon 2038. As such, the Council will work in partnership with the Climate Change Agency to develop the actions that the Council will deliver in 2025-30 and these will form the Council's agreed actions in both the Climate Change Framework and the Council's own Climate Change Action Plan.
- 8.3 During Autumn 2024 the Council and Manchester Climate Change Agency will collaborate to deliver a series of citywide climate mitigation workshops with MCC and external stakeholders.

8.4 The aim of this co-design approach is to ensure drafted actions in the CCAP 2025-30 are challenging yet deliverable and fully support the delivery of city-wider targets outlined in the Manchester Climate Change Framework.

9.0 **Recommendations**

9.1 The Environment, Climate Change & Neighbourhoods Scrutiny Committee is recommended to note and comment on the contents of the report.

10.0 **Appendices**

10.1 Appendix 1 Manchester City Council Climate Change Action Plan 2024-25 Work Programme

Appendix 1 –

Manchester City Council CCAP 2024-25 Work Programme

Introduction

This document describes the actions to be progressed in Year 5 of the Climate Change Action Plan (CCAP) 2020-25. The achievements and highlights of Year 4 will be detailed in the Annual Report 2023-24 which will be presented to the Council's Executive Committee in September 2024 and made available on the Council's website after this date.

The 2024-25 CCAP Work Programme is presented here to provide a high-level overview of planned actions. More details on the summary of actions contained here will be presented in more detail in future annual and bi-annual reports which will be published on the [Council's website](#) and also in detailed reports to this Committee over the year as set out in this Committee's 2024/25 Work Programme.

The actions are accurate at the time of publication but may be subject to change during the year as actions may be brought forward or delayed due to external factors such as funding opportunities.

Workstream 1: Buildings & Energy

Council Actions

- Progress the large-scale Renewable Energy Generation project through the the agreed Power Purchase Agreement (PPA)
- Continued delivery of the MCC Estates Carbon Reduction Programme using funding secured from MCC's own resources and UK Government funding
- Deliver housing retrofit for the Council's social housing stock, incorporating the development of skills
- Continue progressing work to connect the Town Hall to the Manchester Energy Network
- Develop appropriate actions for inclusion in the new MCC CCAP for 2025-30 to ensure that the Council achieves its emissions reduction targets and plays its full part in delivering its Zero Carbon 2038 objectives

City Actions

- Work in partnership with the Manchester Housing Providers Partnership to create a cross tenure retrofit plan
- Develop and update energy policies in the Local Area Energy Plan (LAEP), coordinating with wider Greater Manchester authorities and partners

Workstream 2: Travel & Transport

Council Actions

- Continue to assess options to replace other MCC Internal Combustion Engine vehicles with low and zero carbon alternatives within the refuse collection and wider MCC operational fleet as leases expire.
- Produce a sustainable materials list that identifies carbon and whole life costs for Highways

- Continue to embed the Staff Travel Policy across the Council via the Sustainable Travel Guide with communication and promotion of schemes, active travel workshops, engagement with services and monitor progress
- Develop appropriate actions for inclusion in the new MCC CCAP for 2025-30 to ensure that the Council achieves its emissions reduction targets and plays its full part in delivering its Zero Carbon 2038 objectives

City Actions

- Refresh the Manchester Local Implementation Plan, to set out Manchester's priorities for delivering the Greater Manchester Transport Strategy 2040, working with GMCA, TfGM, other Local Authorities and National Government
- Deliver the Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure Strategy and assess investment requirements, link with the Local Area Energy Plan and Local Plan. Conduct a refresh of the EV Infrastructure Strategy.
- Deliver the Council's Air Quality Action Plan, ensuring alignment to the GM Clean Air Plan

Workstream 3: Sustainable Consumption

Council Actions

- Continue to implement the 10% environmental weighting within the social value element of the tender process to influence suppliers and develop a monitoring framework to monitor emissions from goods and services procured
- Deliver actions outlined within the Single Use Action Plan across the Council to end of 2024 and review further work needed from 2025 onwards.
- Ongoing delivery of the Sustainable Events plan, with a focus this year on taking part in a national project 'Green Events Code Pilot' with ten other Local Authorities to review the role of Councils in driving sustainable event delivery, where 10 Manchester events are taking part. Along with continued engagement and data collection across key impact areas introduced in 2023/24: Energy, Travel, Waste, Food & Drink and Water
- Reviewing waste and recycling collections across MCC operational estates, Markets and Events to identify opportunities for emissions reductions
- Drafting and adoption of an MCC Sustainable Food Policy
- Develop appropriate actions for inclusion in the new MCC CCAP for 2025-30 to ensure that the Council achieves its emissions reduction targets and plays its full part in delivering its Zero Carbon 2038 objectives

City Actions

- Markets continue to enforce trader operating requirements to eradicate avoidable single use plastics. Parks cafe contracts to be in place early 2024/25 which includes requirements to eradicate avoidable single use plastics

Workstream 4: Climate Adaptation and Carbon Sequestration

Council Actions

- Review additional funding opportunities to deliver appropriate tree planting as outlined in the MCC Tree Action Plan
- Delivery of the MCC Parks department's Climate Change Action Plan

- Delivery of the Green & Blue Infrastructure Strategy and revised Implementation Plan and the Biodiversity Strategy with a particular focus on biodiversity net gain
- Develop appropriate actions for inclusion in the new MCC CCAP for 2025-30 to ensure that the Council achieves its emissions reduction targets and plays its full part in delivering its Zero Carbon 2038 objectives

City Actions

- Increasing the quantity of appropriate trees and hedgerows across the city, using the Tree Opportunity Mapping assessment to identify planting locations
- Continue to explore increasing nature-based solutions (NBS) across the city and further develop relationships with external stakeholders to provide better opportunity for funding and knowledge sharing.
- Implementing where feasible the MCC Highways Sustainable Drainage Systems (SuDS) Developer Design Guidance.
- Documenting lessons learnt and continuing to assess what works well in the Manchester environment in terms of SuDS design and trialling new green technologies, products and materials associated with SuDS.
- Explore solutions in ensuring the long-term functionality of the SuDS systems and preventing the rapid deterioration of plant and tree health in the city centre, caused by compaction from vehicles and pedestrians.

Workstream 5: Influencing Behaviour & Catalysing Change

Council Actions

- Train the Council's workforce in order to embed the Council's zero carbon ambition across all services. This includes carbon literacy training for 50% of staff by March 2025, achieving Gold Carbon Literacy Accreditation, additional training including Climate Fresk (a collaborative training workshop that aims to increasing understanding of the latest IPCC climate science)
- Continue to embed zero carbon ambitions into Council decision-making
- Continue delivery of the Finance and Investment work programme, to identify and develop financial models and a pipeline for investing in decarbonisation and climate change projects across the city
- Develop appropriate actions for inclusion in the new MCC CCAP for 2025-30 to ensure that the Council achieves its emissions reduction targets and plays its full part in delivering its Zero Carbon 2038 objectives

City Actions

- MCC to continue to lead by example in its commitment to acting on climate change across all areas of the Council and showing leadership across the city with residents and external partners
- Continue to actively engage residents (including young people) and communities to tackle climate change, including delivery of refreshed ward climate action plans and continuing to work with Manchester Climate Change Agency and other partners to deliver the 'In Our Nature' programme
- Continue to report on Council actions to take positive climate action through website content, social media and the press, and align the Zero Carbon Communications work with wider communications across the council e.g., waste and recycling, green and blue infrastructure, active travel and neighbourhoods
- Launch citywide communications campaign in May 2024, jointly developed by Manchester Climate Change Agency and MCC

- Develop the next Manchester Climate Change Framework, working with the Manchester Climate Change Partnership and Manchester Climate Change Agency, with a specific focus on those actions the Council can support delivery of via the use of all available levers to accelerate decarbonisation across the city
- Refresh and deliver commitments outlined in the MCC Education service's Climate Change Strategic Action Plan
- Support and engage education providers to embed climate change plans into their operations and education settings
- MCC to continue to engage with partners across Greater Manchester, nationally and internationally to share best practice, influence climate action and lobby UK Government for support and policy changes
- Continue to deliver the refreshed Green Skills Plan developed from the Work & Skills Strategy with a focus on retrofit skills, promotion of opportunities, career guidance and engaging with young people via education providers

**Manchester City Council
Report for Information**

Report to: Environment, Climate Change and Neighbourhoods Scrutiny
Committee – 23 May 2024

Subject: Overview Report

Report of: Governance and Scrutiny Support Unit

Summary

This report provides the following information:

- Recommendations Monitor
- A summary of key decisions relating to the Committee's remit
- 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.

Wards Affected: All

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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 Environment and Climate Change Scrutiny Committee. Where applicable, responses to each will indicate whether the recommendation will be implemented, and if it will be, how this will be done.

There are no outstanding previous recommendations.

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 **13 May 2024** containing details of the decisions under the Committee's remit is included overleaf. This is to keep members informed of what decisions are being taken and to agree, whether to include in the work programme of the Committee.

| Subject / Decision | Decision Maker | Decision Due Date | Consultation | Background documents | Officer Contact |
|--|-------------------------------------|--|--------------|---|---|
| Neighbourhoods | | | | | |
| <p>TC1183 - Cafes in Manchester Parks (2024/02/09A)</p> <p>Manchester Parks Café is actively seeking partners to contribute to the ongoing efforts in enhancing the quality of services and community impact. We aim to strengthen the role of our cafes as vital hubs, fostering the well-being of the city of Manchester. This is a concession contract that comprises of 7 lots.</p> | Strategic Director (Neighbourhoods) | Not before 9 Mar 2024 | | Confidential Contract Report with Recommendations | |
| <p>TC1184 - Manchester Parks Ice-cream (2024/02/09B)</p> <p>Manchester City Council is</p> | Strategic Director (Neighbourhoods) | Not before 9 Mar 2024 (Please note a D3 Notice was issued) | | Confidential Contract Report with Recommendations | Joshua Ward, Procurement Officer joshua.ward@manchester.gov.uk |

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| <p>seeking a concessionaire for the operation of Ice Cream Concessions across Manchester City Parks including a small collection of cold beverages in consultation with the Area Lead. This tender is split across 22 lots representing each of the different park areas. Each Lot will be awarded independently.</p> | | <p>14 May 2024 regarding this decision.)</p> | | | |
| <p>TC1189 - Award for the provision of wheeled bins for Manchester residents (2024/02/14A)</p> <p>Awarding a supplier for the supply of wheeled bins to be used for the collection of waste and recycling from Manchester.</p> | <p>City Treasurer</p> | <p>Not before 13 Mar 2024</p> | | <p>Report and recommendation</p> | <p>Linden Helliwell, Contract Manager linden.helliwell@manchester.gov.uk</p> |

**Environment, Climate Change and Neighbourhoods Scrutiny Committee
Work Programme – May 2024**

Thursday 23 May 2024, 2pm (Report deadline Monday 13 May 2024)

| Item | Purpose | Lead Executive Member | Lead Officer | Comments |
|--|--|----------------------------|--|--|
| 2024/25 Climate Change Action Plan Annual Work Programme | To receive the Manchester City Council Climate Change Action Plan Annual Work Programme for 2023/24. To include the plan for developing the MCC CCAP 2025-30 and MCC's Climate Adaptation and Resilience activities. | Cllr Rawlins | Rebecca Heron Mark Duncan Sarah Henshall | |
| Overview Report | This is a monthly report, which includes the recommendations monitor, relevant key decisions, the Committee's work programme and any items for information. | - | Lee Walker | |
| Annual Work Programming Session | The meeting will close for the annual work programming session where members determine the work programme for the forthcoming year. To follow a presentation from the Director/Lead Officers on upcoming issues and challenges within the Committee's remit. | Cllr Rawlins Cllr Igbon | Rebecca Heron Neil Fairlamb John Rooney Mark Duncan | This session will be held in private following closure of the meeting. |

Thursday 27 June 2024, 2pm (Report deadline Monday 17 June 2024)

| Item | Purpose | Lead Executive Member | Lead Officer | Comments |
|---|--|-----------------------|-----------------|----------|
| Manchester City Council Procurement and Scope 3 | <p>An update on the steps being taken on the Council's procurement to support carbon reduction and report on the Council's consumption-based emissions (Scope 3) and what action is being taken to reduce these.</p> <p>Scope 3 encompasses emissions that are not produced by the company itself, and not the result of activities from assets owned or controlled by them, but by those that it's indirectly responsible for, up and down its value chain.</p> | | Peter Schofield | |
| Overview Report | <p>This is a monthly report, which includes the recommendations monitor, relevant key decisions, the Committee's work programme and any items for information.</p> | - | Lee Walker | |

Thursday 18 July 2024, 2pm (Report deadline Monday 8 July 2024)

| Item | Purpose | Lead Executive Member | Lead Officer | Comments |
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| A new Our Manchester Strategy | To receive a report on the outcomes and emerging messages from the consultation and public engagement on the new Our Manchester Strategy, focused on the areas within the remit of this committee. | Cllr Craig | James Binks | |
| Electric Vehicle Charging Strategy - Update | Further to the report considered in September 2023 to receive an update report on the implementation of the Electric Vehicle Charging Strategy. This report will include an update on the approach to the provision of on-street charging facilities. | Cllr Rawlins | Rebecca Heron Hayley Fails | |
| Overview Report | This is a monthly report, which includes the recommendations monitor, relevant key decisions, the Committee's work programme and any items for information. This will include the Manchester City Council Climate Change Action Plan Q1 emissions report. | - | Lee Walker | |

Thursday 5 September 2024, 2pm (Report deadline Friday 23 August 2024) to account for a Bank Holiday

| Item | Purpose | Lead Executive Member | Lead Officer | Comments |
|--|--|-----------------------|--|----------|
| Manchester City Council 2020-25 Climate Change Action Plan 2023/24 Annual Report | To provide a full update and progress report on actions and progress in 2023/24 to deliver the 2020-25 MCC CCAP for committee to comment ahead of submission to Executive in October 2024. | Cllr Rawlins | Rebecca Heron Mark Duncan Sarah Henshall | |
| Housing Retrofit | Report will provide an update on the progress made since March 2023, describing the key achievements and planned activity in housing retrofit. | Cllr White | David Lynch Martin Oldfield Sharon Hanbury | |
| Work of Neighbourhood Teams | The scope of this report is to be agreed. | Cllr Igbon | Shefali Kapoor Mark Rainey | |
| Fly-tipping and Keep Manchester Tidy | To receive a report that described the work to reduce fly-tipping; describing how the activity contributes to the climate change agenda and protecting the environment. This report will also include an update of the work of Keep Manchester Tidy. | Cllr Igbon | Shefali Kapoor Heather Coates | |
| Overview Report | This is a monthly report, which includes the recommendations monitor, relevant key decisions, the Committee's work programme and any items for information. | - | Lee Walker | |

Thursday 10 October 2024, 2pm (Report deadline Monday 30 September 2024)

| Item | Purpose | Lead Executive Member | Lead Officer | Comments |
|--|--|-----------------------|----------------------------------|----------|
| A new Our Manchester Strategy | To receive the draft Our Manchester Strategy 2025-2035. | Cllr Craig | James Binks Peter Norris | |
| Manchester Climate Change Agency/ Partnership Impact Report 2023/24 | To receive and comment upon the Manchester Climate Change Agency 2023/24 Impact Report. | Cllr Rawlins | Samantha Nicholson, MCCA | |
| Manchester Active Travel Strategy and Investment Plan – Update on Progress | To receive an update report on the Manchester Active Travel Strategy and Investment Plan. | Cllr Rawlins | Hayley Fails Robert Scott | |
| Manchester City Council Single Use Plastics Action Plan | To update the Committee on progress in delivering the Council’s Single Use Plastic Action Plan. | Cllr Rawlins | Peter Schofield Helen Harland | |
| Local Area Energy Plan | To receive an update report on the Manchester Local Area Energy Plan. | Cllr Rawlins | Hayley Fails | |
| Overview Report | This is a monthly report, which includes the recommendations monitor, relevant key decisions, the Committee’s work programme and any items for information. This will include the Manchester City Council Climate Change Action Plan Q2 emissions report. | - | Lee Walker | |

Thursday 7 November 2024, 2pm (Report deadline Monday 28 October 2024)

| Item | Purpose | Lead Executive Member | Lead Officer | Comments |
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| 2025/26 Budget Proposals | To receive a report on the Council's anticipated budget position for 2024/25, the budget process and draft proposals for any services in the remit of this committee. | Cllr Rawlins Councillor Igbon Councillor Akbar | Tom Wilkinson Paul Hindle | |
| Manchester's Emissions Report | To provide a summary of Manchester's Emissions Report covering the city's direct, energy-related emissions and a report and discussion on city-wide indirect emissions. | Cllr Rawlins | Samantha Nicholson, MCCA | |
| Adaptation, and Resilience | Adaptation and Resilience inc. city centre greening and heat management. | | Samantha Nicholson, Sarah Henshall | |
| Overview Report | This is a monthly report, which includes the recommendations monitor, relevant key decisions, the Committee's work programme and any items for information. | - | Lee Walker | |

Thursday 5 December 2024, 2pm (Report deadline Monday 25 November 2024)

| Item | Purpose | Lead Executive Member | Lead Officer | Comments |
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| Manchester City Council Power Purchase Agreement | To provide a progress report on the Council's renewable energy Power Purchase Agreement (PPA). | Cllr Rawlins | Sarah Narici Mark Duncan | |
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| Overview Report | This is a monthly report, which includes the recommendations monitor, relevant key decisions, the Committee's work programme and any items for information. | - | Lee Walker | |

Thursday 16 January 2025, 2pm (Report deadline Monday 6 January 2025)

| Item | Purpose | Lead Executive Member | Lead Officer | Comments |
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| 2020-25 Climate Change Action 2024/25 Mid-Year Progress Report | To provide a full update and progress report on actions and progress in Q1 and Q2 of 2024/25 to deliver the 2020-25 Manchester City Council Climate Change Action. | Cllr Rawlins | Rebecca Heron Mark Duncan Sarah Henshall | |
| 2025-30 Manchester City Council Climate Change Action Progress Report | To provide a progress update of Manchester City Council Climate Change Action Plan for the period 2025-30 | Cllr Rawlins | Rebecca Heron Mark Duncan | |

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| | | | Sarah Henshall | |
| Overview Report | This is a monthly report, which includes the recommendations monitor, relevant key decisions, the Committee's work programme and any items for information. | - | Lee Walker | |

Thursday 13 February 2025, 2pm (Report deadline Monday 3 February 2025)

| Item | Purpose | Lead Executive Member | Lead Officer | Comments |
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| 2025/26 Budget Proposals | Consideration of the final 2025/26 budget proposals within the remit of this Committee that will go onto February Budget Executive and Scrutiny and March Council. | Cllr Rawlins Cllr Igbon Cllr Akbar | Tom Wilkinson Paul Hindle | |
| Carbon Literacy | A report on progress in the Council's carbon literacy training and development for its staff and also wider work on Manchester becoming a Carbon Literate City. | Cllr Rawlins | Suzanne Grimshaw Lauren Harwood | |
| Aviation and Manchester Airport | Annual report on MAG (Manchester Airports Group) and aviation. | Cllr Rawlins | David Houliston | |
| Parks Strategy Update and Parks and Climate Change | To receive an update report on the progress of delivering the Manchester's Park Strategy and an update on the implementation and the delivery of the Parks Climate Change Action Plan (CCAP) since the last report to the Environment and Climate Change Scrutiny Committee on 8 February 2024. | Cllr Igbon | Kylie Ward | |
| Overview Report | This is a monthly report, which includes the recommendations monitor, relevant key decisions, the | - | Lee Walker | |

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| | Committee's work programme and any items for information. | | | |
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Thursday 6 March 2024, 2pm (Report deadline Monday 24 February 2025)

| Item | Purpose | Lead Executive Member | Lead Officer | Comments |
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| Sustainable Food | To receive a report that considers the subject of sustainable food. | Cllr Rawlins | David Houliston | |
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| Overview Report | This is a monthly report, which includes the recommendations monitor, relevant key decisions, the Committee's work programme and any items for information. | - | Lee Walker | |

Items To Be Scheduled

| Item | Purpose | Lead Executive Member | Lead Officer | Comments |
|---|--|-----------------------|----------------|---------------------------------------|
| Neighbourhood Compliance Team Deep Dive | The scope of this report is to be confirmed. | Cllr Igbon | Shefali Kapoor | Item to be scheduled after Sept 2024. |
| Trading Standards | The scope of this report is to be confirmed. | Cllr Igbon | Shefali Kapoor | Item to be scheduled after Sept 2024. |
| Food Hygiene | The scope of this report is to be confirmed. | Cllr Igbon | Shefali Kapoor | Item to be scheduled after Sept 2024. |
| Licensing and Out of | The full scope of this report is to be confirmed. This | Cllr Igbon | Shefali | Item to be scheduled |

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| Hours | will include consideration of the approach to street pedlars. | | Kapoor | after Sept 2024. |
| Annual Waste and Recycling Update | To receive a report that provides an update on delivering waste and recycling removal services. | Cllr Igbon | Heather Coates | Item to be scheduled after Sept 2024. |
| Manchester Energy Network | To receive a report that provides information on the contribution the Manchester Energy Network, formally known as the Civic Quarter Heat Network is making to supporting the Manchester net zero carbon pathway to 2038. | Cllr Rawlins | Sarah Narici Mark Duncan | |
| Pesticides Policy | To receive a report that describes the policy in relation to the use of pesticides for weed control on streets. | Cllr Igbon | Heather Coates | Previously considered 7 December 2023. |
| Commercial Property Retrofit | A report on the work of the Manchester Climate Change Agency challenge group and their assessment of the opportunities and challenges around commercial retrofit. | Cllr Rawlins | Samantha Nicholson, MCCA | |