



Neighbourhoods and Environment Scrutiny Committee

Date: Wednesday, 6 November 2019

Time: 2.00 pm

Venue: Council Antechamber, Level 2, Town Hall Extension

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Councillors - Igbon (Chair), Azra Ali, Appleby, Butt, Flanagan, Harland, Hassan, Hughes, Jeavons, Kilpatrick, Lynch, Lyons, Razaq, Sadler, Strong, Whiston, White 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 [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 9 October 2019.

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4A. Minutes

To note the minutes of the Climate Change Subgroup meeting held on 22 October 2019.

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5. Allocations Policy Review - To follow

6. Homelessness Update - To follow

7. Highways Maintenance Programme - To follow

8. Red & Amber School Crossings

Report of the Director of Highways

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This report provides information on the red and amber school crossings programme, reporting that with 46 of the 81 sites being complete and the remainder due for completion by the spring/summer 2020.

9. Overview Report

Report of the Governance and Scrutiny Support Unit

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This report includes details of the key decisions due to be taken that are relevant to the Committee's remit as well as an update on

actions resulting from the Committee's recommendations. The report also includes the Committee's work programme, which the Committee is asked to agree.

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Neighbourhoods and Environment Scrutiny Committee

Minutes of the meeting held on 9 October 2019

Present:

Councillor Igbon – in the Chair

Councillors Azra Ali, Appleby, Butt, Flanagan, Hassan, Hughes, Jeavons, Kilpatrick, Lynch, Razaq, Sadler, Whiston and White

Apologies: Councillors Harland, Lyons and Wright

Also present:

Councillor Akbar, Executive Member for Neighbourhoods

Councillor Karney, Ward Member Harpurhey

Councillor Reid, Ward Member Gorton and Abbey Hey

John-Paul Coe, Wythenshawe Waste Warriors

Russell Markstein, Electra Commercial Vehicles

NESC/19/38 Minutes

Decision

To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 4 September 2019 as a correct record.

NESC/19/39 Waste, Recycling and Street Cleansing Update

The Committee considered the report of the Strategic Director (Neighbourhoods) that provided Members with an update on progress in delivering waste, recycling and street cleansing services.

The Strategic Lead: Waste, Recycling and Street Cleansing Services referred to the main points and themes within the report which included: -

- Providing a context for the service within Manchester;
- Providing a budgetary context of the service;
- Information and service specification of the Biffa contract;
- Delivery of the Biffa contract;
- Information on the contract and performance monitoring of the Biffa contract;
- Contract performance data over a range of activities;
- Data and information relating to residential street cleansing;
- Information regarding passageway cleansing;
- Information regarding litter bins and bag collection points;
- An update on seasonal leaf removal and performance data against this activity;
- An update on seasonal weed removal and performance data;
- Information on the approach to the cleansing of cycle lanes;

- Information on the Keep Britain Tidy (KBT) Local Environmental Quality study that had been undertaken in August 2019;
- Information and data relating to waste collections;
- Information and data regarding flytipping and the response to this;
- Information on unlicensed waste removal companies and flytipping;
- Recycling performance and an update on the apartment service changes;
- Partnership working with Registered Providers to support delivery of the apartment recycling project;
- Update on the work with Universities and Landlords to address issues of increased waste from student houses at the end of term;
- The approach to education, engagement and enforcement and key issues and lessons learnt from the student departure in 2018;
- The approach to student departure in 2019, using lessons learnt; and
- An update on the Keep Manchester Tidy Partnership.

The Committee then heard from John-Paul Coe, Wythenshawe Waste Warriors who described the work undertaken by himself and other volunteers in the local community. He stated that the group were keen to network and support other groups to deliver similar environmental improvements and community engagement events. He described that the group had engaged with local schools, friends of parks groups, the scouts and the local football team to encourage them to deliver local environmental projects and take collective responsibility for areas.

Mr Coe described the school mapping project that was being delivered locally that involved over thirty schools. School children were identifying and mapping their local green spaces and the ambition was to then use this intelligence to engage with local residents and businesses to maintain and care for those areas and promote a sense of community ownership and pride in the area. He stated that the ambition was to digitise these maps as a resource for people.

Mr Coe concluded by expressing his gratitude to the local Members for their continued support for this and other projects. The Chair on behalf of the Committee thanked Mr Coe and his fellow volunteers for their commitment and asked that this good practice be shared with other groups who maybe experiencing challenges and barriers to delivering similar projects to physically improve their neighbourhood. Mr Coe commented that he would be willing to share his experience and offer any practical advice with other groups.

A Member praised the work and support provided by the officer from Keep Britain Tidy (KBT) to actively engage with school children, commenting that this was important as this would help influence long lasting behaviour change in regard to waste and recycling.

The Committee then heard from Councillor Karney. He stated that the reported flytipping figures for Harpurhey were very disappointing, adding that this antisocial behaviour had a negative impact on the local community and residents and that he welcomed any proactive measure to address this. He commented that he would welcome initiatives, such as the Wythenshawe Waste Warriors to be delivered in Harpurhey. He further called for increased penalties to be imposed on those that were found responsible for flytipping. He concluded by thanking the Executive

Member for Neighbourhoods and officers for their continued hard work in addressing this issue despite the pressures experienced by the department.

The Committee then heard from Councillor Reid. She stated that it was important to acknowledge the impact of budget reductions on the ability to deliver Neighbourhood Services, and she paid tribute to the dedication of officers working in her ward. She further commented on the issue of flytipping associated with builder's waste and that more needed to be done to monitor Household Waste and Recycling Centres to help identify builders who attend these sites but then subsequently flytipped their waste, adding that this resulted in a cost to the Council to remove this. She further added that Biffa collection crews needed to be considerate to residents and other road users when undertaking their duties. She concluded by stating that it was her opinion that there was no evidence that weed clearing had been undertaken.

The Committee also heard from Russell Markstein, Electra Commercial Vehicles. He informed the Members that his company had responded to the issue of the traditional high polluting refuse collection vehicles. He stated that his company had worked with chassis units manufactured by Mercedes Benz to deliver a fully electric vehicle that delivered the same collection capacity as traditional vehicles. He said the vehicles had proven to be comfortable for operatives and the electric vehicles saved the environment 60 tonnes CO2 per vehicle per year. He stated that the lithium batteries used in these vehicles would last approximately 10-12 years and then reduce to 85% capacity. He said that the intention would then be to repurpose those batteries for other uses.

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

- Clarification was sought on the use of agency staff by Biffa;
- Biffa workforce needed to be more reflective of the local community;
- Information was sought on Biffa and Health and Safety;
- Biffa should be responsible and proactive in removing contaminated waste from blue recycling bins, particularly black bags of rubbish;
- The use of barcodes / tokens to identify abandoned bins;
- Once emptied Biffa crews should replace bins in a responsible manner so as not to cause an obstruction to other road/path users and this should be addressed in the contract;
- Who was responsible for collecting contaminated bins;
- What was the approach taken for those occasions when a Biffa crew were unable to access a road to empty bins;
- A number of Members stated that they were not confident that the cleaning of streets and passageways were delivered as described in the schedule;
- A number of Members commented that they were not confident in the findings of the independent assessment of the environmental quality undertaken by KBT;
- A number of Members commented that they were not confident that container bins in communal passageways were cleaned as described in the schedule;
- An overall opinion that Biffa were not complying with their contract in delivering services for Manchester residents;
- Requesting an update on passageway cleansing and improvements;
- Damage caused to properties by Biffa crews;

- The definition of District Centres need to be reviewed;
- Welcoming the improved rates of recycling in apartment blocks;
- What was the approach to cleaning and maintaining public litter bins;
- Recognising the progress made to address student waste what work was being done with Universities to improve recycling rates and reduce flytipping from student homes at peak times of the year;
- What was the approach to weed removal, in particular in those streets where residents had opted not to have glyphosate used;
- Consideration needed to be given to improved ways of clearing leaves, especially where access by sweepers access was restricted due to parked vehicles;
- Questioning the use of CCTV on Biffa vehicles and concerns relating to data protection;
- Where were the flytipping hotspots that had been identified by Biffa;
- Flytipping in rivers was a significant issue that was often complex to resolve in a timely manner and a meeting should be convened with Members in who's wards this was an issue and representatives from the Environment Agency and the National Rivers Authority to be invited to contribute;
- The need to review the bulky waste collection policy as a way to address the use of illegal waste carriers who charge residents money to remove waste that was then subsequently flytipped;
- Noting that requests for service were closed incorrectly as 'complete' on the CRM (Customer Relationship Management) system;
- Requests for service, such as reported abandoned shopping trolleys should be referred to the appropriate service to remove these;
- What work was being done through the Selective Licensing regime to improve waste that was often associated with Houses in Multiple Occupation;
- Concern over the economic and environmental impact that the extraction of Lithium for use in batteries to power electric vehicles had on other counties;
- Concern that fossil fuels were used to generate electricity to charge electric vehicles and the impact this had on climate change and emissions and that more research needed to be done to understand the benefits to be achieved;
- The use of crime scene tape was not appropriate in certain areas of this city as this created a negative impression of areas; and
- An intelligence based approach to street cleaning should be adopted with consideration given as to how other core cities engage with residents around the issue of waste and recycling to influence behaviour change.

In response to the comments made the Strategic Lead: Waste, Recycling and Street Cleansing Services responded by informing the Committee that officers and Keep Britain Tidy would endeavour to tackle the issue of flytipping in Harpurhey, adding that the good practice used in other areas of the city to engage with schools and young people would be deployed with the intention to achieve improvements for residents and the wider local community. The Executive Member for Neighbourhoods added that flytipping hotspot areas would continue to be prioritised and enforcement officers would proactively pursue perpetrators.

The Strategic Lead: Waste, Recycling and Street Cleansing Services stated that following the contract that had been entered into between The Greater Manchester Combined Authority and Suez UK to manage waste across the region, Household

Waste and Recycling Centres had been identified for improvements, including the use of Automatic Number Plate Recognition (ANPR) at sites. She further commented that there was a lack of awareness amongst small business and builders regarding the options that were available to them to responsibly and lawfully dispose of waste generated by their business. She advised that the communications team were currently looking at developing a targeted awareness campaign regarding this issue.

In regard to weed spraying and weed removal the Strategic Lead: Waste, Recycling and Street Cleansing Services stated that the programme of activity had been completed, however the unseasonal levels of rain had impacted on the efficacy of this and had presented a challenge. She commented that consideration would need to be given as to the approach to be adopted to those streets that had opted not to have glyphosate used and where residents had not chosen to remove weeds themselves.

In response to the specific questions relating to the Biffa workforce the Strategic Lead: Waste, Recycling and Street Cleansing Services stated that the concerns previously raised by the Committee in regard to the use of agency staff and zero hour contracts had been addressed. She stated that all Biffa staff were paid the Manchester Living Wage when they started employment, increasing after the 13 week qualifying period to match the permanent rate of pay. Biffa used agency workers for a variety of reasons including cover for sickness, unplanned holidays, seasonal to cover the increased organic collections and to backfill permanent staff who supported the seasonal weed removal programme. In regard to the request for information relating to Health and Safety she stated that this information would be circulated following the meeting and the comments relating to the work force reflecting the community would be fed back to Biffa. She further added that those hotspots that had been identified by Biffa would be shared with the Committee following the meeting.

Addressing the issue of contaminated recycling bins, the Strategic Lead: Waste, Recycling and Street Cleansing Services stated that nappies placed in incorrect bins presented a challenge. She described that a communications campaign that included distributing leaflets to households and using advertising bill boards to highlight the message had been delivered. She described that contaminated bins should be tagged and the onus was then on the resident to remove the contaminate from the bin. She said that a task force had been established to look at this particular issue and she further commented that the tokens in the refuse bins had never been activated – but could be in the future the requirement arise. She further commented that they were seeking to improve the response to reports of abandoned bins, adding that the complaints regarding bin collections remained relatively low. She added that whilst she was aware of a small number of issues relating to damage to property, whilst regrettable, these were low in number and Biffa's insurance would be used to address this. With regards to contamination of recycling bins, the Executive Member for Neighbourhoods commented that ultimately it was the responsibility of residents to sort their waste correctly and place it in the appropriate bin ready for collection.

In response to the issue regarding Biffa crews not replacing bins in a safe and considerate manner that then caused a hazard to other users the Strategic Lead: Waste, Recycling and Street Cleansing Services said that if complaints were

received this would be addressed with the crew concerned. She further informed the Committee that if a crew was unable to access a street due to parked vehicles they were required to return to the location to collect the waste and recycling. She added that the CCTV equipment attached to the Biffa wagons was not a new practice, had been present under the last contractor and was primarily used as a safety feature to protect staff when working in and around the vehicle.

Regarding the comments about the survey undertaken by KBT the Strategic Lead: Waste, Recycling and Street Cleansing Services reiterated that this was an independent report using an agreed national methodology to assess and rate their findings. Surveys were undertaken without knowledge of the service standards or schedules in place and Biffa had no prior knowledge of where surveyors intended to assess standards.

In response to the issues expressed from a number of Members regarding the cleaning of passageways and passageways communal container cleansing the Strategic Lead: Waste, Recycling and Street Cleansing Services said that she would address the individual cases raised by the Members outside of the meeting.

The Project Manager Keep Manchester Tidy informed the Committee that projects were available for schools to drive improvements on the local high street. She said this was available through the Eco Schools programme and information regarding this would be shared with Members. In relation to District Centres the Strategic Lead: Waste, Recycling and Street Cleansing Services advised that Cheetham and Longsight were regularly reviewed and Biffa had been tasked to focus improving their performance in these areas. She stated that she would speak directly with the ward Member following the meeting to discuss the concerns he had expressed.

Officers informed the Committee that whilst progress and improvements had been made in regard to addressing waste associated with student properties, work continued to improve and strengthen this message. The Committee were informed that an app had been introduced for students to promote the message around this issue and this was currently being reviewed in consultation with Universities following feedback. In addition, a campaign had been delivered entitled 'Halls to Homes' targeted at students leaving Halls of Residence and moving into student homes in communities that was aimed at reminding them of their responsibilities. With regard to the work undertaken with private landlords via the licensing regime the Strategic Lead: Waste, Recycling and Street Cleansing Services commented that this would be addressed in the Compliance and Enforcement report scheduled for consideration at the December meeting of the Committee.

Officers informed the Committee that there was a rolling programme of cleaning and maintenance of public bins and this was checked quarterly by Biffa. Members were asked to raise any concerns they had regarding specific locations and these would be investigated.

The Strategic Lead: Waste, Recycling and Street Cleansing Services informed the Committee that all Members had been provided with the street cleaning schedule and that the approach to removing leaves had been improved by Biffa. She

commented that they did use leaf blowers, when dry and the comments from the Committee would be relayed to Biffa.

Following the comments regarding the bulky waste collection service, Members were advised that this offer was planned to be reviewed and Members would be updated at an appropriate time following conclusion of this exercise. The Strategic Lead: Waste, Recycling and Street Cleansing Services said that reports of abandoned shopping trolleys would be collected by a company called Trolleywise and the mechanism for referring such reports via the CRM system would be explored, further adding that a review the CRM was currently underway.

The Executive Member for Neighbourhoods stated that whilst improvements to the levels of recycling had significantly improved over recent years and Manchester's recycling performance remained one of the highest amongst the Core Cities, it was important that this performance continued to improve to achieve the financial savings and environmental benefits required. He stated that it was the responsibility of all residents to ensure that they disposed of their waste and recycling in a responsible manner. He commented that hotspots would be targeted and flytipping investigated and where perpetrators were identified they would be prosecuted.

The Executive Member for Neighbourhoods stated that he remained committed to working with Biffa on behalf of the residents of Manchester to address any inconsistencies in service. He encouraged all Members to raise any concerns they had regarding the service delivery.

In response to a suggested recommendation proposed by a Member that crime scene tape should not be used in certain areas of this city, arising from concerns that this created a negative impression of an area, the Executive Member for Neighbourhoods stated that it was important to recognise that flytipping was a crime and that this illegal activity would not be tolerated and this message needed to be consistent across the city.

Decisions

The Committee: -

1. Recommend that invitations be sent to ward Councillors to accompany officers when undertaking street cleansing inspections to assess the standard of cleansing and quality of services provided by Biffa.
2. Every ward coordination meeting to include an update on the relevant schedule of street and passageway cleaning and bin washing arrangements
3. Recommend that the Executive Member for Neighbourhoods reviews the Biffa contract to ensure that it stipulates that Biffa operatives to replace emptied bins in a safe and appropriate manner so as not to cause a hazard or obstruction to other users of the highway and pavement.
4. That the passageway programme of works and cleaning for the next six months is circulated to all Members.

5. Recommend that representatives from the Environment Agency and the National Rivers Authority be invited to attend a future meeting to discuss the approach to removing waste from rivers and waterways.
 6. Recommend that Social Landlords continue to promote and support their tenants to recycle.
 7. Recommend that the Committee receive a report on the environmental and social impact of lithium batteries, including the extraction of the materials used for the production of these and the arrangements for the safe recycling when they degrade.
 8. Recommend that an intelligence based approach to street cleaning should be adopted with consideration to using intelligence from local residents; and understand how other core cities engage with residents around the issue of waste and recycling to influence behaviour change. The Committee shall receive a report on this at an appropriate time.
- [Councillor Appleby declared a personal and non prejudicial interest in this item as her partner is an employee of Biffa]

NESC/19/40 Final Report and Recommendations of the Behaviour Change and Waste Task and Finish Group

The Committee considered the report of Behaviour Change and Waste Task and Finish Group that presented the Members with the findings of the detailed investigation undertaken by the Group.

Councillor Hughes, who had chaired the Task and Finish Group stated that the work of the Group had been very productive and informative. He expressed his gratitude to the Members of the Group, the Executive Member for Neighbourhoods, Officers and those members of the public who had contributed to the enquiry. He concluded by commending the report to the Committee.

Decisions

The Committee: -

1. Note the findings of the Task and Finish Group and endorse the recommendations as set out in section 8 of the report.
2. Resolve to refer the recommendations to the Executive.
3. To request a progress report on the implementation of these recommendations at an appropriate time.

NESC/19/41 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.

Members suggested that the remit of the Highways report should also include data on the number of complaints received following preventative works and this to be provided at a ward level if available; information to be included regarding the approach taken to closing roads and lanes to accommodate building works and how this disruption is managed and information on the resident parking scheme relating to the Christie Hospital site.

The Chair informed the Committee that reports had already been prepared and that she would speak with officers to enquire if these additional requests could be accommodated.

Decision

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

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Neighbourhoods and Environment Scrutiny Committee – Climate Change Subgroup

Minutes of the meeting held on 22 October 2019

Present:

Councillor Wright (In the Chair)
Councillors Jeavons, Kilpatrick, Lyons and Shilton Godwin

Councillor Stogia, Executive Member for Environment, Planning and Transport

Apologies: Councillor Whiston

NESC/CCSG/19/01 Terms of Reference and Work Programme

For the benefit of the public in attendance at the meeting the Chair announced the Terms of Reference of the Subgroup.

Following consideration of the items of business listed on the agenda the Chair stated that she would review the work programme with the intention of arranging themed meetings and that she would also review the frequency of the meetings.

Decision

The Subgroup;

1. Agree the Terms of Reference; and
2. Recommend that the Chair review the Work Programme to structure themed meetings and to also review the frequency of meetings.

NESC/CCSG/19/02 Manchester City Council Climate Change Action Plan Update

The Subgroup considered the report of the Strategic Lead Policy and Partnerships that informed Members that the Council's existing Climate Change Action Plan 2016-20 set out the actions that were required to deliver a 41% reduction in carbon emissions by 2020 from a 2009/10 baseline, noting that the latest data from 2018/19 showed that the Council's direct emissions had reduced by 48.1% from a 2009/10 baseline.

The report noted that in November 2018, the Council's Executive had agreed to the establishment of science-based carbon reduction targets for Manchester which required the city to become net zero carbon by 2038. As such, the Manchester Climate Change Board (MCCB), along with the City Council and several other organisations in the city committed to develop a zero carbon action plan to be approved by the Council in March 2020.

The Council was now working on the production of a new 5 year plan which would replace the existing 2016-2020 plan and would reflect the more ambitious target and recent Climate Emergency Motion. The report provided an update on the process that would be followed to produce a new plan.

The main points and themes within the report included: -

- Providing a background and context;
- The Carbon Reduction Target for the next five years;
- The scope of the plan which encompassed reducing the Council's own direct CO² emissions but also influencing the city's emissions through all available policy levers; and
- The process for developing the plan and key milestones.

The Executive Member for Environment, Planning and Transport informed the Subgroup that the Council accounted for approximately 2% of the carbon emissions in the city and that these emissions came predominately from buildings, street lighting, the waste fleet and staff journeys, and this is why these activities were being targeted.

The Executive Member for Environment, Planning and Transport stated that whilst the Council had achieved a 40% reduction in emissions since 2005 the new target would be ambitious and was likely to require a halving of the Council's direct CO² emissions within the next 5 years. She further commented that the Council was working with the Manchester Climate Change Agency and the Tyndall Centre to understand how the airport factored into the carbon budget for the city.

In response to a question from the Chair the Deputy Chief Executive informed Members that the Zero Carbon Coordination Group (ZCCG) comprised of officers, predominantly Director level and was chaired by herself. She described that this group would oversee the development of the next Council Climate Change Action Plan which would be approved by Executive in March 2020. The Group would ensure that zero carbon was fully embedded across the Council's day-to-day operations and decision making process, and that there was sufficient leadership, resource and budget to deliver this agenda across directorates and services. She advised that political oversight was provided by the Executive Member for Environment, Planning and Transport and information on the agreed actions and work streams of the ZCCG would be circulated to Members following the meeting.

The Chair recommended that Members reviewed the twenty actions within the Action Plan Update 2018-19 that had been provided and ask any relevant questions of officers and the Executive Member. She stated that this discussion would inform the planning of future meetings of the Subgroup. She stated that she would then invite members of the public who were in attendance to contribute to the discussion.

Members commented that a glossary of acronyms should be included in future reports and consideration needed to be given as to how data was reported, including progress against base line figures and against what agreed target progress was reported. Members also requested that information on the RAG rating be also included.

Action Point 1: Deliver the Street Lighting LED replacement programme

To note the update.

Action Point 2: Deliver the Civic Quarter heat network

Members commented that this was a very positive development and this project should be widely promoted as an example of good practice to developers across the city. Officers noted these comments.

Action Point 3 and Action Point 4: MCC Estate Transformation Programme & MCC Estates Rationalisation Plan

Members commented that it was important to acknowledge the impact that the reduction in staff and closure of buildings had in contributing to the reduction in carbon emissions achieved, and enquired what savings had been achieved through proactive actions and interventions. A Member further enquired what assurance was sought that buildings sold on would be used in a responsible way to reduce emissions, noting that this should be a consideration and not just a financial decision when assets were sold. Officers responded by stating that these comments would be taken away from the meeting.

The Chair recommended that a report detailing all of the buildings that the Council owned and information on any efficiency work planned across the estate, including anticipated timescales for completion and anticipated savings be submitted to the Subgroup for consideration at an appropriate time.

Action Point 5: Where financially viable implement suggested actions from Energy Audits and evaluate impact on energy consumption and carbon emissions

The Strategic Lead Policy and Partnerships stated that Estates were reviewing how to achieve savings, including options for installing solar panels and heat pumps.

A Member commented that he had concerns in regard to financial viability, noting that it was important to understand cost, in all senses of the word and any evaluation should be undertaken in the context of the climate emergency. The Deputy Chief Executive commented that financial and carbon budgets were being considered. The Chair noted this comment and stated that it was important that the inclusion of the climate emergency was explicit in the Council's decision making process.

Action Point 6: Deliver carbon savings from the MCC operational estate. Leisure Facilities

Members commented that Leisure Facilities, in particular swimming pools were high consumers of energy, noting that the refurbishment of the Moss Side Leisure Centre had been completed, including works to increase the building's efficiency and reduce carbon emissions, and that other leisure facilities were being considered as part of the Carbon Reduction Programme. The Chair recommended that a report be submitted to a future meeting that provided more information on Leisure Centres, the

benefits achieved at the Moss Side site, including comparative data and how the lessons learnt from that project would be used in future planned work.

Action Point 7: Develop and deliver a MCC Operational Buildings Carbon Reduction Plan

The Chair commented that this issue of buildings would be discussed as part of a future dedicated themed meeting.

Action Point 8: Ways of working

The Deputy Chief Executive stated that whilst staff numbers had reduced it was important to recognise the impact the Our Ways of Working strategy had contributed to reducing carbon emissions. Members requested information on how this activity was measured against a base point and the Chair recommended that a report on buildings and related emissions and the work to mitigate these be considered at an appropriate time.

Action Point 9: Zero Carbon Manchester 2050

Members commented that opportunities for discussions with, and scrutiny of the Tyndall Centre for Climate Change Research in development of this activity be explored.

The Executive Member for Environment, Planning and Transport informed Members that the Neighbourhoods and Environment Scrutiny Committee had scrutinised the proposal to adopt a carbon budget that would mean committing the city to a target of becoming zero carbon by 2038 rather the existing 2050 target at their meeting of 7 November 2018. She stated that the Council was working on a plan to reduce emissions by 50% in the next five years. She stated that she welcomed the interest from this Group and reports would continue to be submitted to the Neighbourhoods and Environment Scrutiny Committee.

The Chair commented that the Climate Emergency motion included a requirement to have an open and transparent review to determine the earliest possible target date for Manchester to become zero carbon. In addition, the amendment to the motion required consideration to be given to bringing the present date of 2038 forward to 2030 and for a report to go to the Executive by the end of the year. She said that the Subgroup should invite the Tyndall Centre for Climate Change Research to a future meeting to discuss how an open and transparent review could be carried out and that she would discuss with the Chair of the Neighbourhoods and Environment Scrutiny Committee when it could consider a report on the 2030 date, given that the Subgroup was unlikely to meet again until the new year.

The Chair further commented that representatives from the Tyndall Centre for Climate Change Research and the Manchester Climate Change Agency would be invited to attend and contribute to future meetings of the Subgroup.

Officers responded to a Member's question by advising that further information on the URBACT (The Urban Development Network Programme) C-Change project would be circulated to Members following the meeting.

Action Point 10: Reduce citywide carbon emissions by 41% by 2020

Members requested that comparative data against the baseline figure should be provided to each meeting of the Group to assist in the monitoring of progress. The Deputy Chief Executive reported that consideration would be given as to how best provide this information to the Group in a meaningful manner, noting that the data sets that were used to compile this information were released at different times of the year, and that was why this was reported annually rather than quarterly.

Action Point 11: Reduce citywide emissions from domestic buildings

Members commented that the issue of emissions generated from domestic buildings represented a very significant challenge, especially with the age of the housing stock across the city. Members stated that the work to address this needed to be rapidly scaled up.

Members commented that whilst Registered Social Landlords had invested in programmes of improvements and retrofitting, the biggest challenge came from the Private Rented Sector. A Member commented that an assurance should be sought that Registered Social Landlords should use money they received to ensure all of their current housing stock was improved and energy efficient before commencing any new builds.

The Chair commented that an audit of all Registered Social Landlords properties in Manchester should be undertaken to benchmark the current standard of their properties.

The Executive Member for Environment, Planning and Transport informed the Group that Registered Social Landlords in Manchester had committed to the 2038 target and were working with the Climate Change Partnership to help achieve this target, adding that there were examples of good practice that could be shared across organisations.

The Executive Member for Environment, Planning and Transport stated that she was working with the Executive Member for Housing to discuss the approach to engage with the Private Rented Sector to drive improvements, commenting that it was understood that this activity could address fuel poverty and improve health outcomes for citizens.

A Member commented that this challenge represented an opportunity to develop and skill up a workforce to deliver the scale of retrofitting works required and opportunities for developing this should be explored with local colleges, universities and training providers. The Executive Member for Environment, Planning and Transport informed the Subgroup that a report entitled 'The Green Economy – Opportunities and Challenges for Manchester' was scheduled for consideration by the Economy Scrutiny Committee at their November meeting.

The Chair stated that the actions and activities to reduce emissions from all domestic buildings should be reported to each meeting of the Subgroup.

Action Point 12: Reduce citywide emissions from energy: Energy Company

A Member commented that that she was concerned that this Action Point was rated as Amber and that she would raise this in her role as Member of the GMCA Housing, Planning and Environment Scrutiny Committee.

Action Point 13: Reduce citywide emissions from energy: Identify and develop additional heat network clusters in Manchester

Noting the comments received when discussing Action Point 2.

Action Point 14: Deliver the Triangulum smart cities project

Members enquired as to how many non-electric vehicles the Council owned. Members also commented upon the challenge to deliver the necessary infrastructure to support an increased use of electric vehicles.

Members noted that Biffa were currently trialing the use of an electric vehicle, but questioned if existing contracts could legally restrain the wider roll out of electric vehicles. The Chair commented that all existing contracts should be reviewed in light of the Climate Emergency and options for improving them should be considered.

Action Point 15: Work with Transport for Greater Manchester to deliver a range of citywide transport improvements

Members commented that a dedicated meeting would be arranged to consider active travel and citywide transport improvements. The Chair recommended that representatives from Transport for Greater Manchester would be invited to attend and contribute to the meeting.

The Executive Member for Environment, Planning and Transport informed the Members that she was lobbying for a review of the Greater Manchester Transport Strategy in light of the Climate Emergency, commenting upon the need to decarbonise public transport.

Members supported this and commented that this activity also needed to be linked to the messages and dialogue with citizens regarding the issue of Clean Air Zones.

The Chair recommended to all those present to participate in the Transport for Greater Manchester consultation on proposed bus franchising scheme that was open until 8 January 2020.

Action Point 16: Work with partners to increase access in the city to sustainable food

A Member requested an update on the role and work of the Food Board to be submitted to a future meeting of the Subgroup.

Action Point 17: Sustainable events

Members welcomed the reported developments and the delivery of the Sustainable Events Plan. In response to a question from a Member the Strategic Lead Policy and Partnerships advised that this was in addition to any Social Value requirement.

A Member commented that Neighbourhood Investment Funding should only be used to support events that complied with this standard.

Action Point 18: Green and Blue Infrastructure

The Subgroup were advised that the Neighbourhoods and Environment Scrutiny Committee would be considering the Green and Blue Infrastructure Strategy at their January 2020 meeting.

Action Point 19: Participate in the Core Cities Adaptation Group to help adapt the city to climate change, including identification and delivery of actions for MCC

The Deputy Chief Executive acknowledged the comment from the Chair who reiterated the importance of this activity.

Action Point 20: Embedding carbon reduction objectives in policy-making

Members commented that this was a very significant piece of work to ensure that the ambitions of the Climate Emergency were delivered. A Member commented that consideration also needed to be given to reviewing all existing Strategic Regeneration Frameworks to ensure they were not contrary to the motion passed by Council.

In regard to a question from the Chair regarding the Local Plan, the Strategic Lead Policy and Partnerships informed the Members that all Local Plans had to be approved by HM Government. He further informed the Members that the Head of Planning, Building Control & Licensing was a member of the Zero Carbon Coordination Group and the Group might wish to consider inviting her to a future meeting to discuss the Local Plan in further detail.

The Subgroup then heard from a number of members of the public who had indicated that they wished to address Members.

Claire Stokes, from Walk Ride GM and Extinction Rebellion said that it was her view that the Council should review all existing policies and decision making procedures to ensure they complied and were consistent with the Climate Emergency. She further called for additional resources to be dedicated to progress this important work, advising that other Local Authorities had arranged for this and an analysis of the cost of not doing this should be undertaken.

The Deputy Chief Executive responded by stating that the Council was preparing for a new budget setting process and that the Climate Emergency Motion would be embedded into the options for discussion. She stated that whilst new and future plans and policies could reflect the Climate Emergency the challenge came with historical decisions, however lessons could be learnt and inform future approaches. She said that resources were finite however two new posts had been created to support the Strategic Lead Policy and Partnerships.

The Strategic Lead Policy and Partnerships stated that staff, whilst not specifically allocated to this work were very enthusiastic to progress this agenda.

Jake, Extinction Rebellion Manchester stated that it was his opinion that funding for dedicated climate change staff should be made available, commenting upon the amount of money that had been allocated to the Factory Project and the Manchester International Festival each year. He stated that climate change was an emergency in the literal sense and the response to this should be immediate. He further commented that public transport links to the airport needed to be improved and car parks at the site should not be expanded.

The Executive Member for Environment, Planning and Transport stated that she welcomed the continued challenge from citizens and the passion and commitment demonstrated by local activists should be harnessed to deliver local, ward projects and engagement activities to influence behaviour change. She reported that she did recognise the emergency and she was committed to supporting officers and partners to respond to this. The Chair stated that it was important that climate change and the acknowledgment of this as an emergency should be embedded in all communications using appropriate language.

River, a citizen of Manchester said that it was his opinion that the consultation on the Princess Road and Medlock Street roundabout improvement works had not been adequate and had not made any reference to climate change. He further called for greater regulation of private landlords to ensure that the houses they rented out were passive, a standard for energy efficiency in a building, which reduced the building's ecological footprint. He concluded by stating that Manchester should use Planning legislation that was available to them to ensure that all buildings were required to meet this standard.

Vanessa Hall, a citizen of Manchester stated that planning permission for extensions on domestic properties was detrimental to the environment and planning permission should not be granted unless the whole house was retrofitted to achieve the passive standard. She further called for a political response to planning legislation and more use of devolved powers to drive improvements. She asked if any cost benefit modelling of climate change in Manchester had been undertaken, stating the cost of not delivering improvements would be significant. She also challenged the assumption that economic growth was a positive, adding that the Manchester Strategy needed to be reviewed in light of the Climate Emergency. She suggested that the Subgroup needed to meet more regularly in acknowledgement of the emergency. She further questioned the reported reduction in carbon emissions achieved by the Council, arguing that these were merely the result of a loss of staff and the closure of buildings as a direct result of budget cuts. She also stated that it

was her view that the expansion of the airport needed to cease, there should be no extension of car parks at the airport, domestic flights should be stopped from the airport and the Council needed to be clearer in its communications about the environmental impact of the airport on Manchester. She concluded by stating that a programme of planting more trees needed to be undertaken immediately.

In response to a question from the Chair regarding Carbon Literacy training the Strategic Lead Policy and Partnerships reported that approximately 700 staff had received Carbon Literacy training, including all members of the Senior Management Team and over half of elected members. Training had previously been delivered by Manchester Metropolitan University but now 6 Council staff had been trained to deliver the training and more sessions would be running in autumn and winter. The Chair recommended that a report on the delivery of Carbon Literacy be submitted for consideration at an appropriate time.

The Executive Member for Environment, Planning and Transport responded by acknowledging the comment made regarding the Princess Road and Medlock Street roundabout consultation exercise, however she commented that delivery of this scheme would improve cycling and walking facilities. She further commented that the review of the Manchester Local Plan would address key challenges of the city including the delivery of efficient homes and the 2038 zero carbon commitment. She said that the challenge remained with the existing housing stock. She further commented that it was acknowledged and work was underway to prioritise and accelerate the review of the decision making process across the Council to ensure the climate emergency was embedded into this process.

The Chair noted the comments made regarding the Airport and suggested that a future meeting of the Subgroup be dedicated to considering the Airport, and representatives from both the Tyndall Centre and the Manchester Climate Change Agency be invited to attend and contribute to the discussion. In response to the issue of trees and biodiversity the Subgroup were informed that the Neighbourhoods and Environment Scrutiny Committee would be receiving the Green and Blue Infrastructure Strategy, including an update on the implementation of the Manchester Tree Strategy at their January 2020 meeting. A Member commented that Planning consents should be used to ensure developers planted trees to support this ambition.

The Chair asked for an explanation of whether the council can review decisions we have already made as a result of the motion being carried. If it cannot, then the Chair asked for an explanation of the reasons why this cannot be done. The committee asked for reviews of Planning and Highways to be specifically considered and reports back to be made.

Decision

That the Chair review the Work Programme to agree structure themed meetings to address the issues that had been raised during consideration of this item.

The Subgroup considered the report of the Strategic Lead Policy and Partnerships that provided Members with an update on the Council's response to the climate emergency declaration of 10 July 2019.

The main points and themes within the report included: -

- Providing a background, noting that in July 2019 the Council had declared a climate emergency which recognised the need for the city to do more to reduce its carbon emissions and mitigate the negative impacts of climate change;
- Information on the Zero Carbon Coordination Group (ZCCG);
- Information on the draft terms of reference and key priorities of the ZCCG;
- Information on the various workstreams of the ZCCG; and
- Information on progress to date against the specific actions agreed in the climate emergency declaration of 10 July 2019.

The Chair stated that the previous discussion in relation to agenda item NESC/CCSG/19/03 had addressed the questions arising from this report and that progress against these actions would continue to be monitored.

In response to a question from the Chair the Officers report that they were on track to hold events in each ward in line with the timescale stated in the motion

The Chair further requested that a copy of the letter sent by Cllr Paul Andrews to the Greater Manchester Pension Fund regarding the divestment in fossil fuels to be circulated to Members of the Subgroup.

Decision

To note the report.

NESC/CCSG/19/04 Climate Emergency and Community Engagement

Decision

To defer consideration of this report to the next meeting of the Subgroup.

**Manchester City Council
Report for Information**

Report to: Neighbourhoods and Environment Scrutiny Committee – 6
November 2019

Subject: Red & Amber School Crossings

Report of: The Director of Highways

Summary

The red and amber school crossings programme is well underway with 46 of the 81 sites being complete and the remainder due for completion by the spring/summer 2020.

Recommendations

The Scrutiny Committee is asked to note the content of the report.

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None

1.0 Introduction

1.1 This report provides a further update on the progress of the red and amber school crossings programme following the Neighbourhoods and Environment Scrutiny Committee held on 4 September 2019. The purpose of this Overview Report is to update on four specific inaccuracies previously reported as follows: -

1. The school crossing is in the correct ward
2. At what stage is each school crossing within the delivery process
3. Communication with schools is taking place
4. The time frame is correct for each school crossing

2.0 Background

2.1 There are eighty one school crossings in the programme that require improvements so that their original rating score is reduced to 50 points or less as per the Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents (ROSPA) "Census & Site Assessment" criteria that is the national standard. The sites are located across most wards in the city.

2.2 The delivery of the improvements continues through a purposely formed highways team comprising of a Project Manager, Construction Planner, Traffic Engineer, Quantity Surveyor, and Clerk of Works who are supported by the MCC Communications team and Raydar Safety Ltd for health and safety compliance. The MCC project team is also supported by design teams at both TfGM UTC and Amey. Most of the works on site are being delivered by Highway Maintenance (formerly known as Manchester Contracts).

2.3 The location of each school crossing has been checked and is confirmed within the table below in 2.5 for the sites completed and the table in Appendix 1 for those still to be delivered.

2.4 For clarity the delivery process comprises of four stages as follows: -

- 1 Outline design by MCC
- 2 Final design by Amey where sites include belisha beacons and/or by UTC where sites include traffic signals
- 3 Purchase order issued and works to be programmed
- 4 Construction on site by a combination of Highway Maintenance, North Midland Contracting, Amey and UTC

2.5 The following table confirms the 46 sites already completed.

School	Crossing Point	Ward
Baguley Green Primary/Newall Green High	Holyhedge Road/Greenbrow Road	Baguley
Newall Green High/Primary	Firbank Road/Highdales Road	Baguley
St Paul's High/Newall Green High/St Peter's Primary	Greenbrow Road/Simonsway	Baguley
Sacred Heart Catholic Primary	Floatshall Road / Bowland Road	Baguley
Newall Green Primary / Newall Green High	Greenbrow Rd / Whitburn Road	Baguley
St Peter's RC Primary / St Paul's High	Firbank Road	Baguley
Sandilands Primary	Wendover Road/Sandilands Road	Brooklands
Button Lane Primary	Moorcroft Road/Button Lane	Brooklands
Sandilands Primary	Ferndown Road/Wendover Road	Brooklands
Greenend Primary/St Bernards Primary/Burnage High	Greenend Road/Burnage Lane	Burnage
Acacias Primary/Levenhulme High	Crossley Avenue / Moorton Avenue	Burnage
Greenend Primary/St Bernards Primary/Burnage High	Greenend Road/Broadlea Road	Burnage
Alma Park & St Mary's Primary Levenshulme High	Albert Road / Marshall Road	Burnage / Levenshulme
St Matthews High	Nuthurst Road / Blandford Drive	Charlestown
Oswald Road / St John's RC Primary	Longford Road / Oswald Road	Chorlton
Oswald Road / St John's RC Primary	Nicolas Road / Oswald Road	Chorlton
St Barnabus Primary	Parkhouse Street/Wood Street	Clayton Openshaw
Varna Street Primary	Ogden Lane/Varna Street	Clayton Openshaw
Broad Oak Primary	Broad Oak Road/Outside School Gates	Didsbury East

Beaver Road/St Catherine's Primary	Fog Lane/ Clayton Avenue	Didsbury East
Abbey Hey Primary	High Bank/Cross Lane	Gorton & Abbey Hey
Wright Robinson High	Abbey Hey Lane/Lakeside Close	Gorton & Abbey Hey
Old Hall Drive Primary	Levenshulme Road / Ryder Brow Road	Gorton & Abbey Hey
St Francis Primary / All Saints	Gorton Lane / Gardner Street	Gorton & Abbey Hey
Holy Trinity/Moston Lane Primary	Moston Lane/Upper Conran Street	Harpurhey
St Malachy's/Saviour Primary	Rochdale Road/Eggington Street	Harpurhey
Pikefold Primary/Co-operative Academy	Old Market Street/Chapel Lane	Higher Blackley
Crowcroft Park Primary/St Richard's Primary	Northmoor Road/Sutcliffe Avenue	Levenshulme / Longsight
St Agnes Primary	Hamilton Road/Clitheroe Road	Longsight
St Wilfrids Primary	Daisy Bank/Mabel Street	Miles Platting & Newton Heath
All Saints/Christ the Kings Primary	Culcheth Lane/Outside School Gates	Miles Platting & Newton Heath
Park View Community Primary	Varley Street/Holland Street	Miles Platting & Newton Heath
Briscoe Lane	Briscoe Lane / Scotland Hall Road	Miles Platting & Newton Heath
Broadhurst Primary	St Mary's Road / Williams Road	Miles Platting & Newton Heath / Moston
Heald Place Primary	Claremont Road/Outside School Gates	Moss Side
New Moston/St Margaret Mary's Primary	Broadway/Moston Lane east	Moston
New Moston Primary	Moston Lane East/Outside School Gates	Moston
Lily Lane / St Dunstons Primary	Lily Lane / Lizmar Terrace	Moston

St John Fisher & Thomas More RC Primary	Hollyhedge Road/Woodhouse Lane	Northenden
Haveley Hey/Benchill Primary's	Hollyhedge Road / Broadoak Road	Northenden / Sharston
Haveley Hey Primary	Broadoak Road/Nearbrook Road	Sharston
Mauldeth Road Primary	Talbot Road/Green Street	Withington
Ringway Primary/St Anthony's Primary	Portway/Cornishway	Woodhouse Park
Ringway Primary/St Anthony's Primary	Cornishway/Rossett Avenue	Woodhouse Park
St Anthony's RC/The Willows Primary	Cornishway/Portway	Woodhouse Park
St Anthony's RC / The Willow's Primary	Portway / Selstead Road	Woodhouse Park

2.6 The following images illustrate two examples of completed work.



Firbank Road/Highdales Road, Baguley - Reconfigured junction/bollards/drop kerbs/tactile pavings/road markings/traffic signs/No Waiting at any time restrictions



Lily Lane/Lizmar Terrace, Moston - Raised junction/speed cushions/crossing points/kerb build outs/bollards/No Waiting at any time restrictions

2.7 The tables in Appendix 1 indicate the delivery method and expected construction period for the sites still to be completed. In summary this is:-

- 2 sites are complete with all features constructed except the additional Puffin crossings that will be installed by Highway Maintenance with support from UTC
- 5 sites have been designed and are still to be programmed for delivery by Highway Maintenance individually or with support from either UTC or Amey
- 28 sites are awaiting final design by either UTC or Amey to be programmed for delivery by Highway Maintenance with support from either UTC, Amey or both

2.8 The progress since the last report and programme is summarised in the table below and the time frame for completing the remaining works is the end of June 2020.

Site Status	At 4 September	Expected at 6 November
Complete	17	46
Work in progress	27	2
Still to be programmed	5	5
Awaiting final design	32	28
Total	81	81

The impact of involving third parties within the delivery process has led to benefits too. For example, this has enabled the proposed zebra crossing on Abbey Hey Lane in Gorton to be upgraded to a signal controlled crossing.

2.9 All schools that still have improvement works to be implemented have received letters via post. In addition, our Clerk of Works hand delivers a supplementary letter to the schools whilst delivering letters to the local residents within 7 to 14 days before works commence at each site.

3.0 Recommendations

3.1 The Scrutiny Committee is asked to note the progress made in delivering the programme of school crossings improvements.

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Appendix 1: Red & Amber School Crossings
Delivery Method & Expected Construction Period for the Outstanding Sites
Construction by end of 2019:

Ref	School	Crossing Point	Ward	Current Status & Delivery Method	Old RAG	New RAG
238	Greenend Primary/St Bernards Primary/Burnage High	Burnage Lane Rbt	Burnage	To be delivered by ManCon/Amey	73	50
419	Irk Valley Primary	Crescent Road / Waterloo Street	Crumpsall	All works completed by NMC apart from the installation of the Zebra crossing	105	45
220	Chapel Street Primary	Broom Lane / Chapel Street	Levenshulme	To be delivered by ManCon	61	41
502	St Wilfrids / All Saints / Christ the Kings Primary	All Saints Street / Culcheth Lane	Miles Platting & Newton Heath	To be delivered by ManCon	83	48
412	Lily Lane / St Dunstons Primary	Kenyon Lane / Lily Lane	Moston	All works completed by NMC apart from the installation of the Puffin crossing	102	49
327	St Anthony's RC / The Willow's / Ringway Primary's	Portway / Ruddpark Road	Woodhouse Park	To be delivered by ManCon/Amey	81	48
205	St Joseph's / Plymouth Grove	Plymouth Grove / Daisybank Road	Ardwick	To be delivered by ManCon/UTC	91	49
130	Chorlton High / Chorlton Park Primary	Manchester Road / Longford Road	Chorlton	Awaiting final design from UTC and will be delivered by ManCon/UTC	94	50

Construction by Spring 2020:

Ref	School	Crossing Point	Ward	Current Status & Delivery Method	Old RAG	New RAG
515	Aspinal Primary	Reddish Lane / Turnbull Road	Gorton & Abbey Hey	Awaiting final design from UTC and will be delivered by ManCon/UTC/Amey	99	50
513	Abbey Hey Primary	Abbey Hey Lane Outside Abbey Hey School	Gorton & Abbey Hey	Awaiting final design from UTC and will be delivered by ManCon/UTC/Amey	83	48
217	Rushbrook Primary	Wembley Road / Melland Road	Longsight	Awaiting final design from UTC and will be delivered by ManCon/UTC/Amey	91	49
230	Acacias Primary/Levenhulme High	Burnage Lane/School Gates	Burnage	Awaiting final design from Amey and will be delivered by ManCon/Amey	81	49
406	St Mary's Primary	St Mary's Road / Outside School Gates	Charlestown / Moston	Awaiting final design from Amey and will be delivered by ManCon/Amey	75	45
447	Moston Lane Primary	Ashley Lane / Whitman Street	Harpurhey / Moston	Awaiting final design from Amey and will be delivered by ManCon/Amey	85	45
208	Stanley Grove Primary	Stanley Grove / Rushford Street	Longsight	Awaiting final design from Amey and will be delivered by ManCon/Amey	86	50
501	All Saints / Christ the Kings Primary	Droylsden Lane Outside School Gates	Miles Platting & Newton Heath	Awaiting final design from Amey and will be delivered by ManCon/Amey	65	48
505	All Saints / Christ the Kings Primary	Culcheth Lane / Briscoe Lane	Miles Platting & Newton Heath	Awaiting final design from Amey and will be delivered by ManCon/Amey	65	45
123	The Devine Mercy	Lloyd Street South /	Moss Side /	Awaiting final design from Amey and will	41	41

	Primary	Edith Avenue	Whalley Range	be delivered by ManCon/Amey		
121	St Margaret's Primary	Withington Road / College Road	Whalley Range	Awaiting final design from Amey and will be delivered by ManCon/Amey	128	50
125	William Hulme	Alexandra Road/Brantingham Road	Whalley Range	Awaiting final design from Amey and will be delivered by ManCon/Amey	62	50
234	Mauldeth Road Primary	Mauldeth Road	Withington	Awaiting final design from Amey and will be delivered by ManCon/Amey	75	50
236	Greenend Primary/St Bernards Primary	Burnage Lane/Outside School Gates	Burnage	Awaiting final design from UTC and will be delivered by ManCon/UTC	107	49
134	Chorlton High / Chorlton Park Primary	Nell Lane / Sandy Lane	Chorlton Park	Awaiting final design from UTC and will be delivered by ManCon/UTC	119	50
128	St Kentigerns RC Primary	Wilbraham Road / Bethnall Drive	Fallowfield	Awaiting final design from UTC and will be delivered by ManCon/UTC	100	48
219	Chapel Street Primary	Barlow Road / Cromwell Grove	Levenshulme	Awaiting final design from UTC and will be delivered by ManCon/UTC	88	39

Construction by Spring/early Summer 2020:

Ref	School	Crossing Point	Ward	Current Status & Delivery Method	Old RAG	New RAG
316	Newall Green Primary / Newall Green High	Firbank Rd / Ninfield Road	Baguley	Awaiting final design from UTC and will be delivered by ManCon/UTC/Amey	109	50
401	Manchester Creative	Charlestown Road /	Baguley	Awaiting final design from UTC and	91	47

	& Media Academy for Boys	Hinchley Road		Amey will be delivered by ManCon/UTC/Amey		
224	Alma Park & St Mary's Primary's	Errwood Road / School Gates	Burnage / Levenshulme	Awaiting final design from Amey and will be delivered by ManCon/UTC/Amey	95	49
414	Moston Fields Primary/Manchester Creative Media For Girls	Moston Lane/Croft Hill Road	Charlestown / Moston	Awaiting final design from Amey and will be delivered by ManCon/UTC/Amey	74	43
146	St Catherine's RC Primary	School Lane / Outside School Gates	Didsbury East	Awaiting final design from UTC and will be delivered by ManCon/UTC/Amey	82	50
340	St Wilfrids C of E Primary	Royle Green Road / Patterdale Road	Northenden	Awaiting final design from UTC and will be delivered by ManCon/UTC/Amey	91	47
330	Crossacres Primary	Crossacres Road / School Gates	Sharston	Awaiting final design from UTC and will be delivered by ManCon/UTC/Amey	95	49
241	Ladyburn, St Cuthberts & Mauldeth Road Primary's	Parrswood Road / Briarfield Road	Withington	Awaiting final design from UTC and will be delivered by ManCon/UTC/Amey	64	44
430	Crumpsall Lane Primary / Abraham Moss High	Delaunays Road / Crumpsall Lane	Crumpsall	Awaiting traffic modelling/final design from UTC and will be delivered by ManCon/UTC	92	50
114	Heald Place / The Devine Mercy Primary's	Claremont Road / Yew Tree Road	Moss Side	Awaiting traffic modelling/final design from UTC and will be delivered by ManCon/UTC	91	50

**Manchester City Council
Report for Resolution**

Report to: Neighbourhoods and Environment Scrutiny Committee
– 6 November 2019

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.

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Background documents (available for public inspection):

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None

1. Monitoring Previous Recommendations

This section of the report lists recommendations made by the Neighbourhoods and Environment 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.

Date	Item	Recommendation	Response	Contact Officer
6 February 2019	NESC/19/09 Updated Financial Strategy and Directorate Business Plan 2019/20	Request that the Deputy Leader provide a further breakdown of the Homelessness Budget.	A response to this recommendation has been requested and will be circulated once received.	Cllr S Murphy
6 February 2019	NESC/19/12 Highways and the flow of traffic across the city	Recommend that legal advice is obtained in relation to Stopping Up Orders issued under provisions within the Town and Country Planning Act and the time limits contractors and developers are permitted to close the highway. Following this advice, a review of all Stopping Up Orders issued should be undertaken to establish if there had been any breaches of such orders.	A response to this recommendation has been requested and will be circulated once received.	Fiona Worrall
9 October 2019	NESCC/19/39 Waste, Recycling and Street Cleansing Update	Recommend that representatives from the Environment Agency and the National Rivers Authority be invited to attend a future meeting to discuss the approach to removing waste from rivers and waterways.	The Chair will consider when this item is to be scheduled into the Committee's Work Programme and invitations will be sent.	Cllr Igbon
9 October 2019	NESCC/19/39 Waste, Recycling and Street	Recommend that invitations be sent to ward Councillors to accompany officers when undertaking street	A response to this recommendation has been requested and will be	Fiona Worrall / Heather Coates

	Cleansing Update	cleansing inspections to assess the standard of cleansing and quality of services provided by Biffa.	circulated once received.	
9 October 2019	NESCC/19/39 Waste, Recycling and Street Cleansing Update	Recommend that the Executive Member for Neighbourhoods reviews the Biffa contract to ensure that it stipulates that Biffa operatives to replace emptied bins in a safe and appropriate manner so as not to cause a hazard or obstruction to other users of the highway and pavement.	A response to this recommendation has been requested and will be circulated once received.	Cllr Akbar
9 October 2019	NESCC/19/39 Waste, Recycling and Street Cleansing Update	That the passageway programme of works and cleaning for the next six months is circulated to all Members.	A response to this recommendation has been requested and will be circulated once received.	Fiona Worrall / Heather Coates
9 October 2019	NESCC/19/39 Waste, Recycling and Street Cleansing Update	Recommend that an intelligence based approach to street cleaning should be adopted with consideration to using intelligence from local residents; and understand how other core cities engage with residents around the issue of waste and recycling to influence behaviour change. The Committee shall receive a report on this at an appropriate time.	A response to this recommendation has been requested and will be circulated once received.	Fiona Worrall / Heather Coates

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 **28 October 2019**, 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.

Decisions that were taken before the publication of this report are marked *

Decision title	What is the decision?	Decision maker	Planned date of decision	Documents to be considered	Contact officer details
Clean Air Plan (Full Business Case) 2018/12/18B	To approve the Clean Air Plan Full Business Case for the city of Manchester	Executive	11 September 2019 or later	Report to the Executive meeting	Richard Elliott Head of Policy, Partnerships and Research 161 219 6494 r.elliott@manchester.gov.uk
To report on changes to the Council's Allocations Scheme 2019/04/25D	To agree the changes to the Allocations Scheme.	Executive	16 October 2019	Revised Allocations Scheme	Martin Oldfield m.oldfield@manchester.gov.uk
Social Housing Allocation Policy 2019/09/18A	To approve a new Social Housing Allocation Policy	Executive	13 November 2019	Executive report	James Greenhedge j.greenhedge@manchester.gov.uk
Environmental Health, Trading Standards and Housing Compliance and Enforcement Fees (2019/08/20A)	To increase fees associated with chargeable work in Environmental Health and Trading Standards and introduce a fee for Housing Compliance and Enforcement advice requested by Private Rented Sector Landlords.	Strategic Director (Neighbourhoods)	Not before 20th Sep 2019	Note requesting approval to set fees	Breige Cobane b.cobane@manchester.gov.uk

**Neighbourhoods and Environment Scrutiny Committee
Work Programme – November 2019**

Wednesday 6 November 2019, 2 pm (Report deadline Monday 28 October 2019)				
Item	Purpose	Lead Executive Member	Lead Officer	Comments
Highways Maintenance Programme	To receive an update report on the Highways Maintenance Programme. The report will include information on the following areas of activity: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Highways reactive maintenance update; - Managing disruption caused by major schemes; - Major schemes update; - Tree planting in capital schemes; - Street lighting PFI programme; - Highways planned Maintenance Programme update year 3 progress and year 4 programme confirmation; - How information about how major schemes is provided to both local Ward Councillors and residents; - An update on the Winter gritting programme; - The provision of motorbike parking facilities and - Residents parking schemes update. 	Cllr Stogia	Steve Robinson	
Homelessness Update	This update report on Homelessness will include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Data on the number of homeless presentations since the last report to Committee, including a breakdown by families, single people and how many present from outside of Manchester; - Information on the number and location of facilities to support and accommodate homeless people (both provided by Manchester City Council and independent 	Cllr S Murphy	Mike Wright	Invite to be sent to Cllr T Judge, Lead Member for Armed Forces

	<p>providers) and how long the support/ accommodation is provided for;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - An update on the A Bed Every Night service and the preparations to support homeless peoples through the winter period; - Information will also be provided on how ex-service personnel referred to A Bed Every Night service are signposted to access appropriate charitable support and services; - What inspections of temporary accommodation are undertaken to ensure they are safe for residents occupying them; and - Data on the length of time people stay in temporary accommodation. 			
Red & Amber School Crossings	To receive an update report that addresses the questions and comments raised by Members following consideration of this item at their meeting of 4 September 2019.	Cllr Stogia	Steve Robinson	See minutes of the Neighbourhoods and Environment Scrutiny Committee of 4 Sept 2019. Ref. NESC/19/36
Allocations Policy Review	To receive a report on the Allocations Policy Review.	Cllr Richards	Eddie Smith	
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.			

Wednesday 4 December 2019, 2 pm (Report deadline Monday 25 November 2019)				
Item	Purpose	Lead Executive Member	Lead Officer	Comments
Private Rented Sector Strategy	To receive a report on the Private Rented Sector Strategy. This will include information on the issues related to Airbnb across the city and the response to this.	Cllr Richards	Eddie Smith	Executive Report
Compliance and Enforcement Service - Performance in 2018/19	To provide members with an update on demand for and performance of the Compliance and Enforcement service during 2018/19. This will provide information on a range of activities that include, action to address illegal drinking establishments; shisha bars; business / commercial waste compliance.	Cllr Akbar	Fiona Sharkey	
Strangeways area: Compliance and Enforcement	To receive a report that describes the activities to tackle illegal and antisocial behaviour in and around the Strangeways area. The report will include information on the positive outcomes achieved to date i.e. the number of closure orders, fines issued, local litter campaigns and how this is communicated to residents. Information will also be provided on any long term plans for the area.	Cllr Akbar	Fiona Sharkey	This item was deferred from the meeting of 17 July 2019.
Planning and Compliance	To provide a report that describes how agreed planning conditions are monitored and where necessary enforcement action is taken, with a particular reference to developers not adhering to their condition to plant / replace trees and develop green spaces.	Cllr Stogia	Julie Roscoe	

	The report will further provide information on how the Planning Department work with the Highways Department.			
Improving journeys to and from school	To receive an update report on the activities to improve the journey to and from school (including Special Schools). - This report to include information on the activities to address vehicle idling outside and near schools; - Activities to promote active travel to school as an alternative to cars, including walking plans; and - The provision of school buses / transport.	Cllr Stogia	Steve Robinson	Invitation to be sent to The Executive Member for Children and Schools; Cllr Stone, Chair of the Children & Young People Scrutiny Committee and representatives from TfGM.
Overview Report				

Wednesday 8 January 2020, 2 pm (Report deadline Friday 20 December 2019) ** PLEASE NOTE DEADLINE DUE TO CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS				
Item	Purpose	Lead Executive Member	Lead Officer	Comments
Budget 2020/21 – Officer proposals	The Committee will receive a report outlining the main changes to delivery and funding arrangements. Savings included as officer options to be debated.	Cllr Akbar Cllr Stogia	Fiona Worrall	There will be no detailed business plans for Directorates included in this report
Green and Blue Infrastructure Strategy	To receive an update report on the Green and Blue Infrastructure Strategy. This report will also provide an update on the implementation of the Manchester Tree Strategy. Data will be provided on the number of trees planted / replaced, where possible this information is to be	Cllr Stogia	Richard Elliott	The designated Tree Officer to be invited to attend this meeting.

	provided at a ward level.			
Greater Manchester Clean Air Plan – Update	To receive an update on the Greater Manchester Clean Air Plan.	Cllr Stogia	Richard Elliott	
Scheme Review – Princess Road / Princess Parkway	To receive an update report to review the speed limit reduction scheme that was implemented on the A5103 - Princess Road and the impact on 2 adjacent roads (Alexandra Road South and Nell Lane). The report will include analysis of the displacement of traffic.	Cllr Stogia	Steve Robinson	
Overview Report				

Wednesday 5 February 2020, 2 pm (Report deadline Monday 27 January 2020)

Item	Purpose	Lead Executive Member	Lead Officer	Comments
Climate Change	To receive a report on Climate Change and the activities to address this. This will include information on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Single use plastics; - The delivery of wildlife corridors in the city and the role of Planning to influence developers to support this activity; - Information on the installation of electric vehicle charging points; - Information on the support available to residents for vehicle scrappage schemes; - Planning and the use of tarmac on driveways noting the impact this has on water displacement and drainage of surface water; 	Cllr Stogia	Richard Elliott	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Improvements to public transport to encourage people to travel by means other than cars; - Analysis of the number of journeys to Manchester Airport undertaken by public transport; and - Park and Ride Schemes. 			
Update on Selective Licensing Schemes	To receive a report that provides an update on the Selective Licensing Schemes. The report will provide and analysis of the impact of such schemes and the options for extending the scheme to other areas of the city.	Cllr Richards	Eddie Smith	
Overview Report				

Wednesday 4 March 2020, 2 pm (Report deadline Monday 24 February 2020)				
Item	Purpose	Lead Executive Member	Lead Officer	Comments
Taxi Licensing	To receive a report that provides Members with information on the work undertaken in Manchester and across Greater Manchester to improve standards across Private Hire Taxis.	Cllr Akbar	Julie Roscoe	
Overview Report				

Items to be scheduled				
Item	Purpose	Lead Executive Member	Lead Officer	Comments
Air Quality Task and Finish Group – Update report	To receive a report that provides the Committee with an update on the actions taken to progress the recommendations made by the Air Quality Task and Finish Group.	Cllr Stogia Cllr Craig	Richard Elliott	See minutes of NESC November 2017. Ref: NESC/17/53

	The report will include a section specifically on air pollution around schools.			
Update on the Delivery of Cycle Schemes and Proposed Principles to Guide the Extension of Cycling and Walking Networks	To receive an update report on the Delivery of Cycle Schemes and Proposed Principles to Guide the Extension of Cycling and Walking Networks. This report will included information on the Chorlton Road Corridor consultation.	Cllr Stogia	Richard Elliott Steve Robinson	Invitation to be sent to Chris Boardman, Cycling and Walking Commissioner for Greater Manchester
War Memorials Update	To receive a progress report on the implementation of the recommendations of the Committee following their consideration on this item at their meeting of 4 Sept 2019.	Cllr Stogia	Fiona Worrall	See minutes of the Neighbourhoods and Environment Scrutiny Committee Ref. NESC/19/35
Behaviour Change and Waste Task and Finish Group – Update report	To receive a report that provides the Committee with an update on the actions taken to progress the recommendations made by the Behaviour Change and Waste Task and Finish Group that were endorsed by the Committee at their meeting of 9 October 2019.	Cllr Akbar	Fiona Worrall	