

Title	District Centres Subgroup
Membership 2018-2019	Councillors Connolly, Hughes, Madeleine Monaghan, H Priest and Shilton Godwin (Chair)
Lead Executive Members	Councillor Richards
Strategic Directors	Eddie Smith, Strategic Director, Development
Lead Officers	Eddie Smith, Strategic Director, Development Richard Elliott, Head of Policy, Partnerships and Research Angela Harrington, Head of Work and Skills James Shuttleworth, Planning and Infrastructure Manager
Contact Officer	Rachel McKeon, Scrutiny Support Officer
Objectives	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To develop a vision and strategy for the management of a network of centres that is forward-looking, allowing vital and viable centres to emerge, develop, improve and transform, and to manage change so that centre provision reflects demand over the next 20 years. To map underserved communities – areas of the city where people do not currently have access to functional centres and to develop a methodology for forecasting the future demand and location of new centres 2. To develop guidance, describing how centres of various sizes can emerge, develop and improve/transform 3. To improve performance and build place management capacity in 4 existing centres (Chorlton, Northenden, Harpurhey and Gorton) 4. To establish activity (footfall) as a key performance indicator for planning and management. To scrutinise footfall analysis of 10 centres (Chorlton, Northenden, Harpurhey, Gorton, Victoria Avenue, Rusholme, Cheetham Hill, Levenshulme, Fallowfield, Withington) 5. Recommend 4 policy pilots to test out more transformative approaches to centre development and improvement. What can Manchester City Council do to most effectively enhance a centre's performance?
Key Lines of Enquiry	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To apply learnings from the Institute of Place Management's High Street UK 2020 project, identifying key actions that Councils can lead to support centres. 2. To analyse current centre performance to ensure that policy can take account of specific centre characteristics. 3. To review development, growth and investment proposals across the city to inform future priorities for centre policy. 4. To map the Council policies which impact on district centres.
Operation	This subgroup will report its findings to the Economy Scrutiny Committee by submitting minutes to the Committee. The Committee will be asked to endorse any recommendations from the Subgroup.
Access to Information	Meetings of the Subgroup will be open to members of the media and public except where information that is confidential or exempt from publication is being considered.

	Papers for the Subgroup will be made available to members of the media and public on the Council's website and the main entrance to the Town Hall except where information which is confidential or exempt from publication is being considered.
Schedule of Meetings	11 September 2018 Further meeting dates to be confirmed
Commissioned	January 2016

**Economy Scrutiny Committee – District Centres Subgroup
Work Programme – September 2018**

Tuesday 11 September 2018 at 5.00 pm in Room 132, Town Hall (Report deadline – 31 August 2018)				
Item	Purpose	Lead Executive Member	Lead Officer	Comments
Introduction to the Work on District Centres	To receive an introduction to the work on District Centres, for the benefit of new members of the Subgroup.	Councillor Richards	Eddie Smith/James Shuttleworth/Institute of Place Management	
Overview of Footfall Data	To receive an overview of the footfall data gathered.	Councillor Richards	Eddie Smith/James Shuttleworth/Institute of Place Management	
Pilot Project – Update and Policy Approaches	To receive an update on the four place management pilots, including recommendations. To consider work to develop the policy approaches in the four centres selected for the pilot project.	Councillor Richards	Eddie Smith/James Shuttleworth/Institute of Place Management	
Terms of Reference and Work Programme	To review and agree the Subgroup's terms of reference and work programme, and consider any changes or additions that are necessary.		Rachel McKeon	

December 2018 – Date TBC				
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Under-served Communities	To consider the issue of under-served communities, taking into account new housing development across the city.	Councillor Richards	Eddie Smith/James Shuttleworth/Institute of Place Management	

Review/Reflect	To consider the outputs from the work with the Institute of Place Management.	Councillor Richards	Eddie Smith/James Shuttleworth/Institute of Place Management	
Terms of Reference and Work Programme	<p>To review and agree the Subgroup's terms of reference and work programme, and consider any changes or additions that are necessary.</p> <p>To consider whether the meetings held have been sufficient to meet the objectives of the Subgroup, or whether further meetings are necessary.</p>		Rachel McKeon	