

**Manchester City Council  
Report for Information**

**Report to:** Neighbourhoods and Environment Scrutiny Committee  
– 2 September 2020

**Subject:** Overview Report

**Report of:** Governance and Scrutiny Support Unit

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**Summary**

This report provides the following information:

- Recommendations Monitor
- A summary of key decisions relating to the Committee's remit
- Items for Information – COVID19 sit rep
- 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):**

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

None

## 1. 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
9 October 2019	NESC/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
5 February 2020	NESC/20/13 Planning Conditions and Enforcement	The Committee recommend that the Executive Member for Neighbourhoods and the Executive Member for Environment, Planning and Transport work together to ensure that appropriate measures are in place to mitigate the disruption to residents and services delivered in neighbourhoods that result from building construction.	A response to this recommendation has been requested and will be circulated once received.	Cllr Akbar and Cllr Stogia

## 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 **20 August 2020**, 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 / Subject	Decision maker	Planned date of decision	Documents to be considered	Contact officer details
<b>Manchester City Council Private Rented Sector Licensing Policy and HMO Standards (2020/03/13A)</b> To approve the updated policy and standards	Executive	3 Jun 2020	MCC Private Rented Sector Licensing Policy and HMO Standards	Emma Broadbent e.broadbent@manchester.gov.uk, Kate Andrews kate.andrews@manchester.gov.uk
<b>Private Rented Sector</b>	Executive	29 Jul 2020	Executive report,	Kevin Lowry, Interim Director for Housing

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<p><b>Strategy 2020-25 and delivery plan (2020/06/22A)</b>            To approve the Private Rented Sector Strategy 2020-25 and delivery plan.</p>			Private Rented Sector Strategy and Private Rented Sector Delivery Plan	and Residential Growth kevin.lowry@manchester.gov.uk

### 3. Item for Information

Scrutiny Covid Sitrep Updates - August 2020 (information correct at 28th August 2020)

Neighbourhoods & Environment Scrutiny (2.00pm) - Wednesday 2nd September 2020

Workstream	Impact / challenges experienced	Key planning and recovery activity being undertaken
<b>Residents at risk</b>		
Shielded Residents and the Food Response <b>Communities</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● As the Government shielding programme came to an end at the end of July, there were circa 2,000 residents in receipt of national Government food parcels, which has led to a small increase in demand;</li> <li>● National Government has issued a draft advisory framework for local authorities to consider in the event of future local or national lockdowns that will require people to shield. This is expected to be published by Friday 29 August;</li> <li>● Resourcing continues to be an issue, as MCC staff are needed to plan for recovery &amp; business as usual.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● We are calling the c2,000 residents who were in receipt of food parcels at the end of July to ensure that they have access to an appropriate food offer. To date 565 have been contacted this is slower progress that we would have liked but no additional resources have been available to support this. All residents have received a letter from the Government and MCC so should be aware how to access support should they need it.</li> <li>● We have responded to Government on the draft advisory framework guidance for future lockdowns</li> <li>● We have reviewed the implications of this framework for the food response;</li> <li>● Work is ongoing with food organisations to plan for transition back to a community model with the right level of resource &amp; support</li> </ul>

Domestic Violence & Abuse  
**Communities**

- Latest report from Independent Choices indicates that the volumes of calls into the helpline remain higher than pre-lockdown levels (88 last week). Visits to the EndTheFear website have dropped slightly over recent weeks but still number over 400 per week. 73% of calls relate to requests for refuge accommodation. 28% of calls featured people affected by some form of immigration control issue
- The LGBT Independent Domestic Violence Advisory Service [IDVA] is supporting GMP with a Facebook Q&A session on 27th August.
- Volumes of referrals into Multi Agency Risk Assessment Conferences [MARAC] and the Independent Domestic Violence Advisory Service remain high as does the waiting list for support.
- Refuge accommodation remains limited in availability in Manchester and across GM, while referral volumes remain high.
- Planning for recovery and return to pre-covid delivery by our service providers is in hand.
- Supply chain issues are hampering the ability of services to spend MoJ Covid funding in time for the October deadline
- The helpline continues, via Covid funding, to be able to operate an additional phone line for most of not all of the week to meet increased demand;
- Additional capacity is being sustained via Ministry of Justice Covid emergency funding
- Adult Social Care have identified funding to recruit a further short term Independent Domestic Violence Advisory Service [IDVA] post to support the in-house team. The new Independent Domestic Violence Advisory Service [IDVA] is now in post.
- Funding has been agreed this week from the Violence Reduction Unit to recruit a further IDVA post until March 21 Recruitment to this post is in progress.
- Pankhurst Trust and Manchester Women's Aid have a formal recovery plan in place that will enable Covid-safe workplaces, refuges and children's services.
- A new 1-1 'Covid Measures Groupwork' programme has replaced the normal face to face offering, providing up to 4 support sessions, depending on their need and support plan
- Lobbying of the Ministry of Justice has been successful in that the period by which the funding must be spent has been extended to 31st March 2021. Similar dialogue is ongoing with the Ministry of

			<p>Housing, Communities and Local Government regarding the terms of their emergency funding for refugees.</p>
	<p>Welfare Provision Scheme <b>Communities</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Uptake of Local Welfare assistance for unpaid carers lower than expected.</li>   <li>● Crisis support to residents impacted by Covid-19</li>   <li>● Use of Discretionary Housing Payments to provide additional support to residents claiming Housing Benefit or Universal Credit (Housing Element)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● A total of £24,494 has been paid to 195 carers to date out of an identified 'carers' budget of £100k. Further work with Adult Social Care may be undertaken in September with a view to increasing take-up.</li> <li>● Between 16/3 and 23/8/20 413 applications citing Covid-19 as the reason for requesting assistance have been paid to a value of £26,539 out of an identified 'Covid-19' budget of £100k. A proportion of other cases supported by Welfare Provision awards will also relate to Covid-19 but the reporting system does not offer a process of identifying these.</li> <li>● Recognising the impact of Covid-19 on residents, 503 DHP awards that had been due to end during April through to the end of August have been extended for a further 26 weeks.</li> <li>● Around 160 September cases are also being extended and a proportion of 169 October cases are also in scope (some of the October cases have already been extended for an initial 26 weeks and these will be reviewed in more detail). A decision on whether to extend cases due to end in November and beyond will be made in</li> </ul>

	<p>Homelessness <b>Neighbourhoods</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Victoria Warehouse Hotel has closed, with all residents having been safely moved on.</li> <li>● All A Bed Every Night, Covid Hotel and supported accommodation is full, and therefore moving additional people from the streets is challenging. A bid has been submitted to MHCLG for additional accommodation over the winter period and to create longer term accommodation to improve flow through the system. Whilst we wait the outcome of the bid vacancies are created through turn over and through movement into supported accommodation. The latest count of people sleeping rough is 49, and so remains lower than last year. This cohort mainly consists of people who have already been in accommodation and multi agency work is being progressed to help address their needs.</li> <li>● The challenge of moving people on from temporary accommodation will remain, given the pressures within Manchester's housing market - affordability of the private rented sector and availability of Social Housing and Supported Housing. The lack of 1 bed accommodation in the city remains a challenge.</li> <li>● Presentations continue to be high, data is on the link <a href="#">here</a>. This is expected to increase as the economic recession</li> </ul>	<p>October based on budget availability and projected spend.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Future ways of working for the directorate are being co produced with the voluntary sector, which will include continued use of technology.</li> <li>● The service continues to work in a covid safe way. Support workers continue to discuss and remind people of the latest guidance. Staff are working closely with public health to ensure contact tracing works for the homeless population and all hostels and hotels are working within the new guidance. A couple of teams will be returning to Etrop Court and the Town Hall Extension as a pilot. Additional space will be needed to bring all teams into the Town Hall Extension for 2 days a week.</li> <li>● The Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government bid was submitted last week with funding requested for the covid hotels, move on into the PRS and additionality of accommodation to improve flow through the homeless system. Capital funding for the acquisition of one bed flats was also requested.</li> </ul>
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		<p>continues. The blanket delay on evictions for another month is becoming a concern as people will put off addressing rent arrears and it will become too late to be able to do any proper preventative or mediation work. Significant work with comms is progressing to encourage people to access advice and help before it becomes an unmanageable issue for them. Work with landlords is also progressing as many small landlords are reliant upon the income, and therefore are at risk of debt themselves.</p>	
<b>Resilient communities</b>			
	<p>Resilient Communities <b>Communities</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The volume of calls has remained fairly consistent over the last couple of weeks, with call volumes over the last two weeks at the lowest levels we have seen since the helpline opened - c 300 calls per week.</li> <li>• Work is progressing to support resourcing requirements as we plan for any potential changes in demand as we move into the autumn/ winter.</li> <li>• The Teams Around the Neighbourhood are supporting engagement activity in neighbourhoods across the city undertaking community conversations with a focus on prevention messages. Very much a partnership approach to this work.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Planning taking place in relation to the community hub moving forward and a review of pathways to ensure residents continue to get support in a timely manner.</li> <li>• Links made to localisation of test and trace to ensure anyone who needs to isolate and needs support will receive it.</li> <li>• Planning for any further shielding arrangements where support for individuals is likely to come via the Local Authority rather than nationally as was seen previously.</li> </ul>
	<p>Libraries, Galleries and Culture <b>Communities</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nine libraries across the city have been open 3 days per week, 4 hours per day since 4th July and Central Library reopened</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Re-opening of galleries, museums &amp; libraries underway across the city:</li> <li>• Manchester Central Library reopened to</li> </ul>

		<p>on 20th August - 30 hours per week.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➢ 223,893 visits to date</li> <li>➢ 1849 over 60's attended dedicated hour</li> <li>➢ 29,315 books issued</li> <li>➢ 4989 PC bookings,</li> <li>➢ 4001 calls to the library</li> <li>➢ 7516 F2F enquiries.</li> <li>➢ 21% of all visits are to access PCs</li> </ul> <p>Data being currently gathered on ward breakdown and also sites being accessed to understand demand and use.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Challenges include Beswick Library - in conversation with scholar use of space, Northenden Library - housing office not opening until at least November.</li> <li>● A challenge being faced by the city is the level of digitally excluded people who are more vulnerable during the pandemic. People most likely to be facing this have one or more of the following protected characteristics: Elderly, first language is not English, disabled, low income.</li> <li>● Device giving is being progressed to those residents with no digital access.</li> <li>● Transition read gifted to over 7000 school children leaving primary school.</li> </ul>	<p>the public on Thursday 20 August - with limited capacity to enable social distancing.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Opening hours will initially be limited with the library closed on Fridays and evenings, to allow regular deep cleans, on top of an enhanced daily cleansing regime.</li> <li>● A maximum of 250 visitors will be allowed into the Central Library at any time. The library's Performance Space will be available to book for events, maximum of 21 attendees. Organisers will need to provide a plan and risk assessment in advance.</li> <li>● Manchester Art Gallery reopened on 20th August 2020 with reduced opening and limited numbers; 50 at a time.</li> <li>● Next phase of reopenings (dependent on discussions with partners) include: 13 libraries - run by Manchester City Council located in shared buildings with other amenities and the six community partnership libraries.</li> <li>● Digital device scheme being progressed in conjunction with the Work &amp; Skills team, targeted at residents without digital access</li> <li>● Citizens Advice free phones introduced to selected libraries to enable vulnerable residents, who may not be able to use digital devices to access support</li> <li>● Covid-19 Culture Recovery Board in</li> </ul>
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			<p>collaboration with sector partners is proposing a recovery plan with outline costs (£71m) for interventions designed to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) stabilise the sector ensuring venues and cultural companies can survive, especially where extended closures are likely and</li> <li>b) stimulate recovery with targeted interventions for parts of the sector including employment programmes. Consultation with sector task groups is underway and a consultation document has been created.</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Cultural Recovery Funds administered by Arts Council England are now open and a number of applications are being developed.</li> </ul>
	<p>Parks, Leisure &amp; Events <b>Communities</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Support needed for the VCSE sector to provide sports &amp; leisure activities</li> <li>● Ensuring facilities &amp; services for groups with protected characteristics are not adversely affected by service changes</li> <li>● Issues with maintaining social distancing in high footfall areas, affecting sites such as Heaton Park</li> <li>● Leisure centres mobilisation from 01 Aug with a restricted offer.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● VCSE support - Issues flagged in sport and leisure venues outside of MCCs control (ie 5aside pitches and cricket) regarding COVID measures and need for additional messages to be communicated. A meeting is taking place on Wednesday 26 August between MCC comms and MCRactive to agree a plan for addressing this.</li> <li>● Equality impacts of service changes - The phased reopening of further exercise facilities continues in parks and there are no concerns with adverse impacts for protected characteristic groups. Bowls</li> </ul>

			<p>continues to be phased in.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Poor weather has helped to alleviate some of the pressures with high footfall in parks over the last 2 weeks, however plans are in place for high numbers over the bank holiday weekend, which includes additional marshalling of play areas and pinch points at Heaton Parks. Proactive messaging is going out to groups where there is none compliance of large gatherings without consent.</li> <li>● A briefing note is being developed and will be submitted to the Exec Member by 28 August on the next phase of leisure centre mobilisabilsation from the 7th September. Further sites will be proposed for reopening.</li> </ul>
	<p>Youth <b>Communities</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Re-opening of youth clubs / centre based provision - young people &amp; families are asking for centres to be reopened.</li> <li>● Current guidance is Amber. Providers are only using buildings for summer provision, not generic youth club sessions.</li> <li>● Current guidance states that those 11+ must wear face covering in youth centres - this is creating an extra barrier for young people with some choosing not to attend.</li> <li>● Reduced numbers accessing provision since the reintroduction of restrictions in Manchester.</li> <li>● Youth Voice &amp; Engagement - how we</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● We are working with providers to ensure provision is still accessible to those young people who do not wish to wear face coverings, whilst ensuring the safety of young people and youth workers. Centres are planning to provide targeted provision indoors, but conduct street based work for more generic sessions</li> <li>● Working with comms team and providers to push messages of safety to children, young people and parents. Ensuring all providers are Covid compliant and this is clear to parents. Raising the positive profile of provision.</li> </ul>

		<p>ensure we are reaching a large proportion of young people across the City, and how they use their voice to influence decisions being made about provision moving forward.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Summer provision - how we provide youth and play provision across the city and ensure we reach the right audience and capture the voice of children and young people. The challenge will be how we maintain universal access.</li><li>• Funding &amp; Investment - a challenge for our youth and play providers is continued investment into services and access to unrestricted funds.</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Working to clarify guidance so that it aligns to public health messages, as well as, being comparable to the expectation in leisure provision.</li><li>• Youth Strategy working alongside youth providers to ensure risk assessments are up to date and Covid specific, as well as, ensuring safeguarding policies and procedures have been reviewed. Youth Strategy Team conducting regular visits to summer provision to provide support and guidance, as well as, quality assurance.</li><li>• Mapping the support provided for people with different risk characteristics.</li><li>• Youth Centres can open and operate provision indoors as long as they are Covid secure and adhere to track and trace and ratio guidance. All centres only operating in centres for summer provision. All Covid compliant.</li><li>• Summer proposal has been approved, Neighbourhoods &amp; Children's Services are now working together to activate school sites for play schemes throughout August, as well as, additional positive activities.</li><li>• Youth voice feedback collated and shared with Education colleagues to aid discussions about summer provision in schools.</li></ul>
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<p>VCSE <b>Communities</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• OM Funds Programme Lead is working with the Covid Health Equity Group, jointly chaired by Population Health and MHCC, with work underway around quickly setting up and distributing a participation and engagement grant for up to date and ongoing comms and engagement (messaging and guidance) with targeted communities of identity delivered via VCSE leads. This will be based on data and intelligence that is coming through and key priority groups.</li> </ul>	
<p>Equalities and Inclusion <b>Communities</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Council continues with the Our Manchester Strategy reset, which is out to consultation at the time of writing. In addition to the public consultation, further engagement will be required to ensure a representative spread of feedback. The Council has been challenged in inclusion-focused partnership forums (Our Manchester Disability Board, Inclusion and Social Value Panel etc.) about the extent of its Covid-related engagement.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In addition to the three pronged engagement model underpinning the Our Manchester Strategy reset (see sitrep of 14.08.20), work has commenced to assess when and where the Council is engaging with equality groups on its recovery plans, and who this is with. The internal engagement review will assess across Directorates whether there is the scope and / or need to engage further with equality groups, and the extent to which good practice is already being applied. A summary of the finding will be reported through the Residents and Communities workstream.</li> <li>• In addition, interviews were held in w/c 17 Aug for an Our Manchester Disability Plan Project Manager. Working to Breakthrough</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● The Council has been urged by the Age Friendly Manchester Older people’s Board to adopt new measures to embed age friendliness in its communications and recovery approaches. A report to the Council outlining the main issues and proposed responses was requested as a first step in this approach.</li><li>● The Greater Manchester BIG Disability Survey, conducted earlier this year to understand the impact of Covid and response work on disabled people across GM, was underpinned by a set of recommendations. The Council has been asked to respond to GMCA outlining its actions and approaches to address the recommendations of the survey.</li></ul>	<p>UK in a fixed term MCC funded role, the project manager will strengthen the governance, connectivity and engagement of the Board, and will link up with the Council to strengthen engagement between parties on the Our Manchester reset (scheduled to be considered by the Board at its next meeting), as well as Covid-related and mainstream disability equality work. The project manager starts on 7 September.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● A start-up report looking at the Council’s priorities and activities to embed age friendliness in its Covid-related and mainstream approaches has been prepared by officers. This is being considered by the Age Friendly Manchester Older People’s Board at its meeting of 16 September and will be considered at a scrutiny committee meeting following that, committee and date to be confirmed.</li><li>● In order to advise the GMCA of its responses to the GM BIG Disability Survey recommendations, the Council has assessed current and proposed activity against each. This process has found that in most instances, the Council is progressing activity in each of the thematic areas, and that the work was already planned or in train pre-Covid.</li><li>● The survey and its findings will continue to</li></ul>
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Digital Inclusion is being progressed as a cross cutting priority; this work pre-dates the Covid-19 outbreak, but has gained scrutiny and momentum in recent months. Feedback and research highlights issues around affordability of devices and data as priority areas for attention, along with the physical accessibility of technology and web content.</li> </ul>	<p>be used to measure and coordinate progress, but is not the driver for the Council's activity in these areas. Work in this area will be reported through the Residents and Communities workstream as relevant, but overseen by the City Solicitor in her capacity as SMT lead for equalities.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Work and Skills Team and Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Team are working to jointly coordinate a workshop with disabled people and their organisations to assess the issues and options around digital inclusion from a disabled people's perspective, involving groups representing a wide range of conditions and impairment types to give the most representative input available. This session is being planned for October.</li> <li>• A parallel piece of work is being undertaken to assess the access and inclusion priorities for the Customer Service Organisation review, with the EDI Team supporting the CSO management team to model a refreshed accessible service offer.</li> </ul>
<p>Transport and Infrastructure <b><i>Neighbourhoods</i></b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Work with TfGM to agree a broad overall transport plan to support gradual opening up of the city with a focus on pedestrian movement and safe use of public transport linked to an agreed package of measures to support safe pedestrian access.</li> </ul>	<p><b><u>Additional Support Announced to Support Bus and Metrolink Networks</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• On 8th August Government announced that it was making an additional £256 million available nationally to support local</li> </ul>

		<p>bus and tram services across the UK during the period when social distancing measures are impacting on capacity and patronage levels are still very depressed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● £218million for bus services for the next 8 weeks</li><li>● £37.4 million for tram services over the next 12 week period. Total government funding to support Metrolink during the pandemic will have amounted to £44 million. From 24/08 Metrolink services will be extended to run until midnight (11 pm Sundays).</li></ul> <p><b><u>Additional Funding Made Available to support additional school bus services.</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● £2.249 has GMCA to support additional school bus services during the coming autumn term as a result of the capacity of existing services having limited capacity as a result of social distancing measures.</li><li>● Education colleagues are working with TfGM to identify pressure points where additional capacity may be required.</li></ul> <p><b><u>TfGM Survey of Attitudes to Future Transport Use</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Analysis of predicted transport requirements- TfGM undertaken a 'Future Travel' Survey" to gather the public's views on using public transport</li></ul>
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after lockdown. 14,000 responses received and initial findings have been shared with members of this group and the Business Reopening Analysis group (including MCC reps). A summary of the complete results from the survey is attached for members' information.

**Recent Manchester Specific Transport Usage Data**

Bus

- Patronage +1.6% (770,773) trips from the previous week (vs. +1.6% GM-wide)
- Network mileage -13.9% from the same month last year (vs. -17.2% GM-wide)

Metrolink

- Metrolink Network patronage had a week on week decrease of 1.3% GM-wide
- East Didsbury line was -2.7% (848) trips

Highway

- In Manchester, the weekly average private vehicle trips was -24% from the same period last year (vs. -16% GM-wide)

Rail

- Piccadilly footfall close to 50,000 per day (-60% from last year though)
- Victoria daily footfall around 5,000 (+30% from the start of month)

		<p><u>Cycling &amp; Walking</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Cycle volumes were -3% from last week and 3% above the annual average.</li></ul> <p><u>City Centre Footfall</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Overall pedestrian activity in the regional centre remains less than half pre pandemic levels.</li></ul> <p><u>District Centres</u></p> <p>The change in footfall in district centres for the week ending 9th August varies significantly by centre :</p> <p>Footfall in Harpurhey was 0.2% higher than the equivalent week last year.</p> <p>In Withington it was 10% lower and in Levenshulme 31% lower.</p> <p><u>GM Wide Data</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Data from the last week shows the following differences with the position on Monday 9th March and end of July/ early August showing a <b>gradual but slow increase in public transport usage across Greater Manchester with car travel still reduced but much closer to pre lockdown levels.</b></li><li>• Metrolink patronage: 9/3/20 = 122,613 14/7/20 = 31884 4/8/20 =</li></ul>
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		<p>37,625</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Bus: 9/3/20 = 515,309 14/7/20 = 191,093 4/8/20 = 202,700</li><li>● Rail: 9/3/20 = 104,795 14/7/20 = 28,700 4/8/20 = 34,062</li><li>● GM Highway 9/3/20 = 5,082,000 14/7/20 = 4,032,000 31/7/20 = 4,385,916</li></ul> <p>Up to date data has also been made available from NCP on year on year changes in car park usage for the period until the end of July. This demonstrates that some car parks eg King Street West, are now seeing usage comparable with last year's level while others eg Spinningfields, still seeing user numbers some way below last year.</p> <p><b>Face Coverings</b> Compliance across the transport network remains around 70% on bus and is now between 90-95% overall on rail. Compliance on Metrolink last week was near 89% in the AM peak, but fell to just below 77% in the evening peak</p> <p><b>Emergency Active Travel Fund</b> MCC has obtained £180k from the first phase of the</p>
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		<p>Government's Emergency Active Travel Fund (EATF) to contribute to funding of work undertaken at Deansgate and Stevenson Square.</p> <p>Proposals have been submitted by TfGM to Government for phase 2 of EATF. A bid to the value of £14 million was submitted on 7th August and £5.5 million of this was for proposals to support active travel within Manchester. A decision on the funding award is expected by the end of August.</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Analysis of businesses' plans for reopening, working with TfGM, CA, Chamber, Growth Company</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• TfGM linked into Day Time Economy recovery group work</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Identify and implement interventions that support social distancing and support business reopening and procure necessary equipment to facilitate this.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A presentation on outline proposals for the re - purposing of more city centre streets and open spaces to support hospitality businesses was given to the City Centre Infrastructure Working Group on 23rd July. These initial ideas are now to be developed further in consultation with members to support businesses over the late summer and early Autumn period. The proposals seek to draw on best practice from other cities in the UK and abroad.</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continue with highway works that can be undertaken during lockdown</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continuing with all our major projects that are on site and continuously monitoring government guidance about construction</li> </ul>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Finding ways to accelerate all our programme of walking and cycling schemes aiming to have early starts on all our programmed projects</li><li>● Maintaining our roads at business as usual levels by inspecting them and making repairs</li><li>● Resurfacing and treating many more main roads than originally planned to take advantage of lower traffic levels</li><li>● Working with TfGM to review bus stops and increase pedestrian phasing at signalised crossings.</li></ul>
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**Neighbourhoods and Environment Scrutiny Committee  
Work Programme - September 2020**

<b>Wednesday 2 September 2020, 2:00pm (Report deadline Thursday 20 August 2020)</b>				
Item	Purpose	Lead Executive Member	Lead Officer	Comments
Housing	To include a report that provides the Committee with an update on the activities around Housing. This will include information on, but not restricted to: Retrofitting of properties across different tenures; Private Rented Sector Licensing Policy and HMO Standards; An update on Selective Licensing schemes and Issues arising due to external cladding on properties.	Cllr Richards	Kevin Lowry	
Housing Compliance and Enforcement	To receive a report that provides the Committee with activities undertaken in relation to Housing Compliance and Enforcement.	Cllr Richards	Fiona Sharkey	
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.			

<b>Wednesday 7 October 2020, 2:00pm (Report deadline Friday 25 September 2020)</b>				
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: - Highways reactive maintenance update; - Managing disruption caused by major schemes; - Major schemes update; and - Highways planned Maintenance Programme update.	Cllr Stogia Cllr Akbar	Steve Robinson	
Waste, Recycling and Street Cleansing Update	This is the annual update report, previously considered by the Committee at their meeting of 9 October 2019. - At their meeting of January 2020 the Committee had further requested and evaluation of the revised service at Household Waste and Recycling Centre's that had been introduced from February 2020.	Cllr Akbar	Fiona Worrall	See minutes of the Neighbourhoods and Environment Scrutiny Committee Ref. NESC/20/02
Budget Item (TBC)				
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.			

<b>Wednesday 4 November 2020, 2:00pm (Report deadline Friday 23 October 2020)</b>				
Item	Purpose	Lead Executive Member	Lead Officer	Comments
Overview Report				

<b>Wednesday 2 December 2020, 2 pm (Report deadline Friday 20 November 2020)</b>				
Item	Purpose	Lead Executive Member	Lead Officer	Comments
Annual Compliance and Enforcement Service Performance Report	To provide members with an update on demand for and performance of the Compliance and Enforcement service during the previous 12 months.	Cllr Akbar	Fiona Sharkey	
Overview Report				

<b>Items to be scheduled</b>				
Item	Purpose	Lead Executive Member	Lead Officer	Comments
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	
Homelessness Update	<p>This update report on Homelessness will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 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;</li> <li>- Information on the number and location of facilities to support and accommodate homeless people (both provided by Manchester City Council and independent providers) and how long the support/ accommodation is provided for;</li> <li>- An update on the A Bed Every Night service and the preparations to support homeless peoples through the winter period;</li> <li>- Information on the activity and progress to accommodate and support homeless people who had been housed in hotels and other temporary accommodation during the covid crisis;</li> <li>- Information on inspections undertaken of temporary accommodation to ensure they are safe for residents occupying them; and</li> </ul>	Cllr Rahman	Mike Wright	

	- Data on the length of time people stay in temporary accommodation.			
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