

## **Manchester City Council Report for Information**

**Report to:** Economy Scrutiny Committee – 3 December 2020

**Subject:** Overview Report

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

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### **Summary**

This report provides the following information:

- Recommendations Monitor
- Key Decisions
- Items for Information
- Work Programme

### **Recommendation**

The Committee is invited to discuss and note the information provided.

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**Wards Affected:** All

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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 contains recommendations made by the Committee and responses to them indicating whether the recommendation will be implemented, and if it will be, how this will be done.

Items highlighted in grey have been actioned and will be removed from future reports.

Date	Item	Recommendation	Response	Contact Officer
10 Oct 2018	ESC/18/45 Gap analysis of the City's Bus network service	To request information including a summary of data that has been used to date to underpin current findings, including information on frequencies of services and services that have been removed or reduced in the last three years.	A response to this request is still outstanding	Pat Bartolli

## 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 **2 November 2020**, containing details of the decisions under the Committee's remit is included below. This is to keep members informed of what decisions are being taken and, where appropriate, include in the work programme of the Committee.

<b>Development and Growth</b>					
<b>Subject / Decision</b>	<b>Decision Maker</b>	<b>Decision Due Date</b>	<b>Consultation</b>	<b>Background documents</b>	<b>Officer Contact</b>
<p><b>Brownfield Land Register Update 2019 2019/03/01D</b></p> <p>To publish Manchester's Brownfield Land Register.</p>	Deputy Chief Executive, Strategic Director - (Growth and Development)	Not before 29th Mar 2019		Report and Recommendation	Louise Wyman – Strategic Director Growth and Development louise.wyman@manchester.gov.uk
<p><b>Delivering Manchester's Affordable Homes to 2025 - Establishment of Strategic Partnership with Homes England (2019/09/05A)</b></p> <p>To negotiate and formalise a Strategic Partnership with Homes England to enable the delivery of Manchester Affordable Homes to 2025</p>	Strategic Director - (Growth and Development)	Not before 4th Oct 2019	In consultation with the Executive Members for Housing and Regeneration and Finance and HR	Report and Recommendation	Steve Sheen s.sheen@manchester.gov.uk
<p><b>Delivering Manchester's Affordable Homes to 2025 - Disposal of sites (2019/09/05B)</b></p>	City Treasurer (Deputy Chief Executive)	Not before 4th Oct 2019	In consultation with Strategic Director (Growth and Development)	Report and Recommendations	Steve Sheen s.sheen@manchester.gov.uk

<p>To agree the disposal of sites in Council ownership for the provision of affordable homes</p>			<p>and Executive Members for Housing and Regeneration and Finance and HR</p>		
<p><b>Delivering Manchester's Affordable Homes to 2025 - Establishment of Partnership arrangements with Registered Providers (2019/09/05C)</b></p> <p>To establish partnership arrangements with Registered Providers together with their partners/consortium for defined areas in the North, Central, South and Wythenshawe areas of the City.</p>	<p>Strategic Director - (Growth and Development)</p>	<p>Not before 4th Oct 2019</p>	<p>In consultation with City Treasurer (Deputy Chief Executive) and the Executive Members for Housing and Regeneration and Finance and HR</p>	<p>Report and recommendation</p>	<p>Steve Sheen s.sheen@manchester.gov.uk</p>
<p><b>Delivering Manchester's Affordable Homes to 2025 -Agreement of legal terms (2019/09/05D)</b></p> <p>To enter into and complete all necessary legal documents and agreements to give effect to delivering Manchester's Affordable Homes to 2025</p>	<p>City Solicitor</p>	<p>Not before 4th Oct 2019</p>		<p>Report and recommendations</p>	<p>Fiona Ledden, City Solicitor fiona.ledden@manchester.gov.uk</p>

<p><b>Buying back former Council properties - Policy approval (2019/09/05E)</b></p> <p>To approve a policy for the Council to buying back properties which have been sold under the Right to Buy to increase the amount of social housing and to reduce the number of former Council properties entering the private rented sector.</p>	<p>Strategic Director - (Growth and Development)</p>	<p>Not before 4th Oct 2019</p>	<p>In consultation with the City Treasurer (Deputy Chief Executive) and the Executive Members for Housing and Regeneration and Finance and HR, following consultation with local Ward Members.</p>	<p>Report and Recommendation</p>	<p>Martin Oldfield m.oldfield@manchester.gov.uk</p>
<p><b>Buying back former Council properties - Setting of purchase prices (2019/09/05F)</b></p> <p>To agree purchase prices and make any necessary arrangements to purchase properties in line with the policy</p>	<p>Strategic Director - (Growth and Development)</p>	<p>Not before 4th Oct 2019</p>	<p>In consultation with City Treasurer (Deputy Chief Executive) and the Executive Members for Housing and Regeneration and Finance and HR</p>	<p>Report and recommendation</p>	<p>Martin Oldfield m.oldfield@manchester.gov.uk</p>

<p><b>Heron House General Letting Consent (2019/11/25A)</b></p> <p>To agree to the disposal by Leasehold of office accommodation at Heron House.</p>	<p>Chief Executive</p>	<p>Not before 24th Dec 2019</p>		<p>Briefing Note &amp; Heads of Terms</p>	<p>Mike Robertson m.robertson@manchester.gov.uk</p>
<p><b>Purpose Built Student Accommodation in Manchester (2020/05/28F)</b></p> <p>To agree an approach to Purpose Built Student Accommodation, following a consultation exercise with key stakeholders, to help to guide the decision making process in advance of the review of the core strategy, and request that the Planning and Highways Committee (or agreed interim procedure of planning determination by the Chief Executive) take this into material consideration until the core strategy has been reviewed.</p>	<p>Executive</p>	<p>3 Jul 2020</p>		<p>Report and Recommendation</p>	<p>Dave Roscoe d.roscoe@manchester.gov.uk, Pat Bartoli p.bartoli@manchester.gov.uk</p>
<p><b>Ramada Renaissance site, Deansgate/Blackfriars Street, Manchester -</b></p>	<p>Chief Executive</p>	<p>30 Nov 2020</p>		<p>Report to the Chief Executive and Strategic Director of Growth and</p>	<p>David Norbury david.norbury@manchester.gov.uk</p>

<p><b>granting of over-riding lease (2020/10/30C)</b></p> <p>Approval to the granting of a new over-riding lease to allow the redevelopment of the site to progress.</p>				Development	
<p><b>Greater Manchester Transport Strategy 2040 and Our Five-Year Delivery Plan - Manchester Local Implementation Plan (2020/11/05A)</b></p> <p>To adopt and publish the Local Implementation Plan for Manchester that forms an appendix to Our Five-Year Delivery Plan.</p>	Executive	9 Dec 2020		Greater Manchester Transport Strategy 2040 Our Five-Year Delivery Plan Manchester Local Implementation Plan	Duncan McCorquodale duncan.mccorquodale@manchester.gov.uk

### 3. Economy Scrutiny Committee Work Programme – December 2020

Thursday 3 December 2020, 10.00am (Report deadline Monday 23 November 2020)				
THEME –				
Item	Purpose	Executive Member	Strategic Director / Lead Officer	Comments
Draft Digital Strategy for the City	To review the draft Digital Strategy for the City prior to its consultation. The Strategy will cover:-  Digital infrastructure; Digital Skills; and Smart Cities	Cllr Leese (Leader)	Louise Wyman Angela Harrington Dave Carter	A detailed report on digital inclusion, which is part of the overall report is going to Communities & Equalities Scrutiny given the equalities & inclusion aspects of this work
HS2 DRC Consultation response and general progress update	To receive the Council's draft response to the HS2 DRC consultation prior to its consideration by the Executive and a general progress update on HS2	Cllr Leese (Leader)	Louise Wyman Pat Bartoli Hilary Sayers	
Economy COVID19 Sit Rep Report	To receive the most up to date Economy COVID19 Sit Rep report that details how the Council and the city is progressing with the recovery phase of COVID19 against the areas within the remit of this Committee.	Cllr Leese (Leader)	Louise Wyman David Houlston Angela Harrington Pat Bartoli Ruth Ashworth	
Overview Report	The monthly report includes the recommendations monitor, relevant key decisions, the Committee's work programme and any items for information.	N/A	Mike Williamson	

Thursday 14 January 2020, 10.00am

**\*\* DUE TO CHRISTMAS BREAK PLEASE CAN AS MANY REPORTS AS POSSIBLE BE SUBMITTED BY TUESDAY 22 DECEMBER \*\***

**(Actual deadline Wednesday 30 December 2020 to account for New Years Day Bank Holiday)**

**Theme – Budget and Housing**

<b>Item</b>	<b>Purpose</b>	<b>Executive Member</b>	<b>Strategic Director / Lead Officer</b>	<b>Comments</b>
Budget proposals 2021/22 – update	The Committee will consider refreshed budget proposals following consideration of the original Officer proposals at its November 2020 meeting and the consideration of these proposals and comments by Scrutiny by the Executive at its meeting in November 2020.	Cllr Leese (Leader)	Louise Wyman Paul Hindle	
ALMO – outcome of the offer to tenants consultation	To receive a report that details the outcome of the 'Offer to Tenants' consultation and the subsequent proposals arising from this outcome prior to consideration of these proposals by the Executive	Cllr Richards (Executive Member for Housing and Regeneration)	Louise Wyman Kevin Lowry	
Affordable Housing update	To receive an update on progress made with delivering the Councils programme of Affordable Housing. To include updates on:-  Local Delivery Vehicle for Housing Project 500 Strategic Collaboration with Homes England	Cllr Richards (Executive Member for Housing and Regeneration)	Louise Wyman Kevin Lowry	
Overview Report	The monthly report includes the recommendations monitor, relevant key decisions, the Committee's work programme and any items for information.		Mike Williamson	

**Themes identified at the Committee's 2020/21 Work Programme setting meeting  
(Items highlighted in grey indicate that these have been included in the work plan of one of the above meetings)**

Theme	Tentative Date of meeting
<p><b>Manchester Airport</b></p> <p>To include information on addressing the economic recovery of the Airport whilst tackling the Climate Emergency</p>	Post Nov 2020
<p><b>Building Back Better</b></p> <p>To include information on:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A clearer understanding of what the Council's levers are and the options available to the Council</li> <li>• The use of levers to deliver a fairer society, better/higher skilled jobs, better pay and green economy</li> <li>• Addressing inequalities, linked to Economy Dashboard</li> </ul>	Post Nov 2020
<p><b>Digital Economy and the Impact of COVID19 on how the City operates</b></p> <p>To include information on:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Digital Economy and the development of a Digital Strategy</li> <li>• Review of office space in the city and implications of COVID19 in businesses/employees returning to work</li> <li>• Review of the next employment sectors at risk of de-labourising and interventions to re-skill people in advance</li> <li>• Automation and technology in the workplace and implications for employment opportunities</li> </ul>	Post Nov 2020
<p><b>Transport</b></p> <p>To include information on:-</p>	Post Nov 2020

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• City Centre Infrastructure issues and aspirations for long term transport investment</li> <li>• Bus Franchising</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Outcomes of the THINK report recommendations</b></p> <p>To include a review of the impact of the recommendations within the THINK report with an opportunity to hear directly from residents on how they have been affected</p>	<p>Post Nov 2020</p>
<p><b>Manchester College</b></p> <p>To include an update from the Manchester College on its performance and how it is recovering from the impact of COVID19</p>	<p>Post Nov 2020</p>
<p><b>Work and Skills</b></p> <p>To include details around the assistance provided to BAME communities impacted by COVID19 in developing skills for employment opportunities and assistance to small businesses impacted by COVID</p>	<p>Post Nov 2020</p>

**Previous Items identified by the Committee to be scheduled (New items added in blue)**

**Theme – Strategic Regeneration**

<b>Item</b>	<b>Purpose</b>	<b>Lead Executive Member</b>	<b>Lead Officer</b>	<b>Comments</b>
Northern Gateway	To receive an update on the progress and outline anticipated wider social and economic benefits to North Manchester from the development that has been made with the Northern Gateway since the last time it was considered by the Committee	Cllr Leese (Leader)  Cllr Richards (Exec Member for Housing and Regeneration)	Louise Wyman Ian Slater	
Outcome of the consultation with stakeholders in relation to the proposed Housing Affordability Zones	To receive a report on the outcome of the consultation with stakeholders on the four proposed Housing Affordability Zones	Councillor Richards (Exec Member for Housing and Regeneration)	Louise Wyman	See November 2017 minutes

**Theme – Transport and Connectivity**

<b>Item</b>	<b>Purpose</b>	<b>Lead Executive Member</b>	<b>Lead Officer</b>	<b>Comments</b>
Bus Franchising update	To receive an update on the Greater Manchester Mayors proposals to	Cllr Leese	Richard Elliott	

	franchise the regions bus service impact this will have on the city's economy			
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**Theme - Skills development for Manchester residents aged 16 and over.**

<b>Item</b>	<b>Purpose</b>	<b>Lead Executive Member</b>	<b>Lead Officer</b>	<b>Comments</b>
Higher Education provision and its impact on the City's economy	To be determined	Cllr Rahman (Exec Member Skills Culture and Leisure)	Angela Harrington	
Hospitality and Tourism skills gap	To receive report on the issue around skills challenges within the hospitality and tourism sector	Cllr Rahman (Exec Member Skills Culture and Leisure)	Pat Bartoli Angela Harrington	See November 2017 minutes

**Theme – Growing the Manchester Economy**

<b>Item</b>	<b>Purpose</b>	<b>Lead Executive Member</b>	<b>Lead Officer</b>	<b>Comments</b>
Business Survival rates and the impact on the economy	To receive a report that details the survival rate of new start up business within the city and the economic impact to the city when these businesses fail	Councillor Leese	Mark Hughes (The Growth Company) Louise Wyman Pat Bartoli Angela Harrington	
City Centre Business Engagement	TBC	Councillor Leese	Pat Bartoli Louise Wyman	

<b>Theme - Miscellaneous</b>				
<b>Item</b>	<b>Purpose</b>	<b>Lead Executive Member</b>	<b>Lead Officer</b>	<b>Comments</b>
Our Manchester Strategy re-set	To receive a report that details the findings from the engagement process on the re-set of the Our Manchester Strategy	Cllr Leese (Leader)	Louise Wyman David Houlston	
Outcome of the findings from the Tyndall Centre for Climate Change Research	To receive a report in regards to what is needed to be achieved at Manchester Airport to address carbon emissions	Councillor Stogia	TBC	TBC

## Economic Recovery Workstream- Sitrep Summary

As at: 22/10/20 For Economic Scrutiny on 05/11/20 Changes since last updated highlighted in yellow. Updated fortnightly.

Issue/theme/activity area	Impact/ challenges experienced	Key planning and response activity being undertaken
<p><b>General overview</b></p>	<p><b>Chancellor announcement 22/10</b> (see press statement)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• open businesses which are experiencing considerable difficulty will be given extra help to keep staff on as government significantly increases contribution to wage costs under the Job Support Scheme, and business contributions drop to 5%</li> <li>• <b>** Business Grants- additional funding to support cash grants of up to £2,100 per month primarily for businesses in the hospitality, accommodation and leisure sector who may be adversely impacted by the restrictions in high-alert level areas. These grants <u>will be available retrospectively for areas who have already been subject to restrictions, and come on top of higher levels of additional business support for Local Authorities moving into Tier 3</u> which, if scaled up across the country, would be worth more than £1 billion.</b></li> <li>• grants for the self-employed doubled to 40% of previous earnings</li> </ul> <p><b>Tier 3 announcement 20/10-</b> Numerous businesses have made direct contact with MCC in support of GM position.</p>	<p>Analysis underway to understand implications of Chancellor's statement 22/10.</p> <p>Business Sounding Board supporting our position to govt on support required to accompany Tier 3 restrictions. 20/10</p> <p>Dashboard of publicly available economic data has been created to support work being undertaken with the Business Sounding Board, which will inform strategies to drive economic recovery.</p>

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	<p><b>Spending Review</b> to conclude late Nov. This will be one-year only and focus on Covid and response to jobs. 3 priorities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● providing departments with the certainty they need to respond to C19 and deliver the <i>Plan for Jobs</i>;</li> <li>● giving vital public services some enhanced support to fight the virus</li> <li>● investing in infrastructure to deliver the levelling up agenda (21/10)</li> </ul> <p><b>Business Feedback- GM Economic Resilience Group 21/10</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Urging clarity on funding package.</li> <li>● Hospitality, retail &amp; culture continue to be most affected and will be further affected by Tier 3 restrictions.</li> <li>● Impact on mental health raised, as well as the economic &amp; employment impacts.</li> <li>● Business indebtedness- over 58% of GM businesses have accessed loans- growing concern re the ability to repay.</li> <li>● Community and voluntary sector- concern re capacity to cope with the demand generated by another lockdown with reduced resources.</li> <li>● Charities won't benefit from the business support scheme because of exemptions from business rates.</li> <li>● Significant concern of impact of Tier 3 on the hotel sector, given restrictions on travelling in</li> </ul>	

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	<p>or out of GM.</p> <p><b>Footfall figures-</b> Footfall had been slowly improving from June to Sept but now seeing decline in trend over last couple of weeks.</p> <p><b>City Centre Footfall Trends</b></p> <p>Full week- w/c 18 October : -53% weekly footfall year on year; -2% on the previous week</p> <p>Monday 19<sup>th</sup> and Tues 20<sup>th</sup> saw increases of 24% and 31% respectively on the previous week but footfall decreased from this point. On Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> footfall saw a reduction of 34% on the previous week, with Market Street experiencing a reduction of 42%.</p> <p><b>UK High Street -41.6% year -1.2% week</b></p> <p><b>Manchester wide figures-</b> Week 43/ week commencing 19<sup>th</sup> October. <b>-4.8 % week on week (-21.89% year on year)</b></p> <p><b>District Centres Week on Week</b></p> <p>Cheetham Hill <b>-9.6 %</b> Chorlton <b>-5.5%</b> Fallowfield <b>-10.6 %</b> Gorton <b>-11.1 %</b> Harpurhey <b>7.0 %</b> Levenshulme <b>-6.4 %</b> Northenden <b>-1.9 %</b></p>	<p>Support for hospitality and retail- 21/10</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Guidance has been prepared involving environmental health, licensing and GMFRS regarding use of outdoor heaters and shelters. Briefing with businesses on 23/10.</li> <li>Tier 3 guidance being produced by CityCo with MCC involvement.</li> <li>Range of businesses supported in developing creative ideas such as use of tipis and 'ski chalets' to</li> </ul>

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	<p>Rusholme <b>-7.0 %</b>  Victoria Avenue <b>-14.6 %</b>  Withington <b>-6.1 % %</b></p> <p><b>Hospitality and Night time economy-</b> CityCo impact report 15/10 Major concerns not just for those premises that must close but also those who are able to remain open but are unviable. Hospitality sector is lobbying govt hard (local and national bodies) to stress extent of potential impact of restrictions but also need for urgent support for extensive supply chain. 15/10.</p> <p>Impact of curfew- One local company with over 8 venues in the city centre is at revenue losses of up to £13.5m due to losing six hours of trading daily within most of their venues; another major operator with over 40 venues nationwide has only been able to open 4 of their venues.</p> <p>The Village venues have been struggling the most- on Canal Street several of the main venues must take over £27k per week to break even; but, since the curfew has been in place, each of these venues has taken only around £11k per week.</p> <p>Businesses across the board are reporting major deficits, with the average brought up slightly by the restaurants  <b>Northern Quarter</b> – average trading around 50% down year on year.  <b>Peter Street/Deansgate</b> – average trading around</p>	<p>create additional indoor space.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CityCo continuing to engage with landlords in King Street area.</li> <li>• 'Ambassador' role being developed for high footfall shopping areas.</li> <li>• Working with businesses as outside area temporary pavement licenses are due for renewal in Nov.</li> </ul>

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	<p>69% down year on year  <b>Village</b> – average trading around 74% down year on year</p> <p><b>Confirmed Permanent/Temporary closures so far</b>  Fac251, Gorilla, Deaf institute, Cruz101, Tapeo and Wine, FIFTH, Night People, Mcr Lounge, Sand Bar, Barca, Dough, Apotheca, Oscars bar</p> <p>Confusion around hosting business events for up to 30 people. Calls for clarity for hoteliers and businesses. Revenue is critical and would be boost to confidence. (Business Sounding Board 15/10)</p> <p><b>Retail-</b> The return of the students would normally boost retail sales. Retailers are reporting sales performance becoming increasingly difficult compared to last year.  The number of stores trading remains largely stable though the situation is precious for many retailers in run up to Christmas.  Around 90% of the businesses that were trading before lockdown have now reopened. Cityco 15/10</p> <p>Online sales – National picture is that, as of August, on line spending has seen year on year growth of 51.6%, although some areas saw a decrease in on line sales when compared with July.  Clothing/footwear/household goods are areas where there was continued growth in on line sales from the previous month. The biggest year on year increase in online sales relates to the purchase of food at</p>	<p><b>Culture/Events/Sport</b>  50 Windows of Creativity (Organised by Wild in Art) to be launched 26 Oct across city centre- showcase of local artists. Runs until 5 Dec.</p> <p>Collective work underway with marketing campaign to encourage people back into venues.</p> <p>A number of partners are exploring the idea of a broader Go out to help out scheme- Manchester specific to incorporate cultural venues and wider offers. Consideration</p>

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	<p>89.5%. (ONS).</p> <p><b>Culture/Events/Sport</b>  Mixed picture. £9.6 million announced for 48 cultural venues in Manchester as part of Cultural Relief Fund. Aim is to stabilise organisations and prevent bankruptcies. Good proportion of successful applicants. Second round underway. HOME recently held first theatre performance. Mixed messaging on curfew not helping venues. 14/10</p> <p>Venues are adopting gold standard in Covid safety. Science and Industry Museum- Challenging operating environment with 25 % of usual visitor numbers. 1,000 visitors on a good day, normally 4,000. Concerned about half term- normally one of the busiest weeks of the year. Receiving very positive feedback from visitors on their experience. Building confidence is key. Concerns for many cultural organisations for next financial year- facing precarious future without support ie music and live events venues, theatres. 14/10</p> <p>Concerns around the music industry- still no clarity on way forward. Food and beverage operations within events sector is highly stressed. 14/10</p> <p><b>Venues update:</b></p>	<p>being given to potential timing for this, possibly January.</p> <p><b>Christmas-</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Markets and ice rink not going ahead. Viewing Tower for Exchange Square progressing and intention to open to coincide with Christmas Lights switch on 17th Nov.</li> <li>• Proposal for 'freight island' style offer on Piccadilly Gardens being progressed.</li> </ul> <p><b>DCMS announced £1.57 billion investment 'Culture Recovery Funding (CRF)'</b>  <b>Culture Recovery Fund Grants - £500m for England</b>  Being delivered by ACE for Cultural organisations (inc profit/ not for profit &amp; charities)  <u>Awards under £1m</u> - Round 1 and Round 2 decision have been made awarding £333 million of the up to £500m fund. See appendix showing where cultural organisations in Manchester have received ACE Emergency Funding and ACE delivered CRF grants.</p> <p><u>Awards over £1m and repayable finance</u> - Announcements are pending</p> <p><b>Capital Kickstart Fund.</b>  <b>£120m to support existing arts &amp; heritage capital projects</b> that have experienced delays to build programmes. £55m to be distributed via ACE. Decision on applications now due end November.</p> <p><b>Local Restrictions Support Grant</b></p>

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	<p>Visitor numbers- 12 - 18 October.            Central Library 3243 (slightly down on previous week)            Art Gallery 874 (significant reduction on previous week)            HOME 10386 (up by 1,000)</p> <p>Greater Manchester Museum of Transport (date unknown)            North West Theatre Arts Company (date unknown)            Hope Mill Theatre - due to open 30 Oct for live performances.            Victoria Baths – due to open with Winter Fair 14 Nov.</p> <p><b>Cultural Venues that are still closed</b>  <u>City Centre Venues &amp; attractions</u>            Bridgewater Hall            Stoller Hall            Palace Theatre            Opera House            Manchester Arena            Contact Theatre performances (venue open for participatory activities)            Cathedral Visitor Centre            Dance House            Greater Manchester Police Museum            Holden Gallery (MMU)            John Rylands Library (UoM)            Manchester Poetry Library (New - due to open in early 2021)            Band on the Wall (closed for refurbishment)</p>	<p>Pending further details and guidance for the authority, it is unlikely that any cultural organisations will benefit from these support grants.</p> <p>Local Restrictions Support Grants are only available for businesses that are instructed to close because of the measures not if they <u>can</u> be open but can't make it viable with covid-safe requirements to be open.</p> <p>So, if the government makes it still permissible to hold performances but venues can't operate viably without a bar and hospitality offer, they will be excluded from the grant.</p>

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	<p>Portico Library            Royal Exchange Theatre            RNCM (performance venue spaces are closed to the public)</p> <p><u>Neighbourhood based venues &amp; Community led arts spaces</u>            Z Arts performances (venue open for participatory activities)            Gorton Monastery            Manchester Jewish Museum (closed for refurbishment)            Pankhurst Centre (heritage visitor attraction)            The Edge (cafe only open)            Northenden Players            Niamos            Partisan Collective            Victoria Baths</p> <p><b>Impact of Tier 3 local lockdown measures</b>            It is expected that additional local restrictions are likely to lead to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Uncertainty for venues with reopening plans – especially for those planning to promote performances in the coming days.</li> <li>• Cinemas, Theatres (adhering to stage 4 protocols), Museums and galleries can technically continue to stay open. Although if visitor numbers drop significantly because there is a limited hospitality sector open in the city centre, or because residents are advised not to undertake non-essential travel - it may not be</li> </ul>	

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	<p>worthwhile remaining open.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Those venues that are only or mainly open to provide a hospitality offer or have a significant hospitality offer will be very seriously affected. Elizabeth Gaskell's has been doing well with small weddings but if these are made more difficult that result in a further cut in their income</li> <li>• The impact of 'only essential travel' advice will have a negative impact of attendance at venues.</li> </ul> <p><b>Aviation-</b> Testing is the current key issue, and this is with Government, who have formed the Global Travel Taskforce, which is a positive first step, but will not report back until Nov.</p> <p>Heathrow have launched a departure test. This is a positive step but MAG view is that it is arrivals testing that will make the difference. No detail available on any plans to introduce this type of test at Manchester.</p> <p>Positive news that Virgin Atlantic are launching new routes to India from Mancr - Mumbai in December and Delhi in Jan.</p> <p>Italy has been removed from safe travel list with Crete back on. Some uptick in services to Crete for half term holidays though all marginal overall.</p> <p>Discussions are ongoing with the Unions regarding</p>	

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	<p data-bbox="376 252 745 284">potential job losses. 20/10</p> <p data-bbox="376 328 1106 576">Daily passenger volumes peaked in August and are now decreasing slowly as the end of summer approaches. As of 13 Sept, cumulative traffic at Manchester since 1 Feb 2020 has been 4.1million, <b>79% down from the same period in 2019.</b> Weekly passengers as of 13 Sept fell 6% from the previous week.</p> <p data-bbox="376 620 831 652"><b>Higher Education Institutions-</b></p> <p data-bbox="376 697 1099 874">Throughout the period staff cases have remained low. Positive student cases increased very rapidly from almost no cases to over 200 in just four days. Reported infections are now declining. (Daily cases are reported on UoM website)</p> <p data-bbox="376 919 1115 1246">This decline in infections is encouraging but they could increase again, particularly in light of high infections in the region. The new local testing site may result in an increase as more students and staff are able to access tests. University remains committed to having robust COVID security measures in place, many of which exceed what is required. Risk assessments are kept under review and have been developed with our trade unions.</p> <p data-bbox="376 1291 1093 1428">Testing facilities on Denmark Road and mobile facility in Fallowfield. Student numbers are higher than expected with an estimated 80% of international students arriving</p>	<p data-bbox="1149 437 1935 509"><b>Inward Investment-</b> MIDAS focusing messaging around resilience of Manchr.</p> <p data-bbox="1149 553 1935 651">One year GM International Strategy released this week- key messages around global competitiveness and resilience. 13/10</p> <p data-bbox="1149 1066 1917 1137">Group preparing comms on positive messages around commercial developments/activity.</p>

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	<p>(continuing to arrive in waves). Overall number of returning students is marginally down. Accurate picture of enrolments will be available in early November. U of M 14/10</p> <p><b>Inward investment- 13/10</b> MIDAS remains positive with a number of projects coming in. Many investment decisions however on hold due to range of practical issues.</p> <p>Some redundancies in back office functions - eg Ticketmaster contact centre (Northern Quarter)- demonstrates extent of events sector/cultural sector impact.</p> <p>Some companies looking to centralise functions in one regional hub.</p> <p>A number of enquiries received following recent virtual sessions on green growth, fintech and ecommerce. Legal tech identified as a particular opportunity for north shoring from London/SE.</p> <p><b>Real estate sub group- 13/10</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Positive messages around <b>resilience of the office market</b> in Manchester- Two pre-lets for Q4: <b>BT at New Bailey</b> 175,000 sq ft (20% reduction in requirement to take into account anticipated changes in work patterns) and <b>Trader Media Group at First Street</b> (Auto Trader expansion)</li> </ul>	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Specialised space remains strong- ie science &amp; tech</li> <li>• Growing interest in out of town product.</li> <li>• Significant investor appetite remains.</li> <li>• OBI- smaller deals on hold a few weeks ago now resuming with increasing concessions.</li> <li>• <b>Residential market remains buoyant-</b> international investment continues.</li> <li>• <b>Retail-</b> significant concerns re oversized sector- trend growing towards purpose driven shopping at hubs. Significant restricting underway. Need to understand consumer activity and purpose.</li> <li>• Challenge for city centre is how our offer will need to evolve to meet consumer needs and as a meeting place?</li> </ul>	
<b>Development</b>	<p>Stimulating development &amp; investor confidence, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Understanding current impact through intelligence gathering.</li> <li>• Assessing sources and levels of investment, and any obstacles (access to debt).</li> <li>• Seeking financial and other support needed to enable early start of key projects.</li> <li>• Understanding supply chain issues and identifying appropriate support measures. It is becoming increasingly apparent that the appetite of contractors to bid for apartment led residential schemes has been significantly impacted in the short term due to issues in</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pre contract negotiations with Homes England relating to the £51.6m Housing Infrastructure Fund (Forward Fund) grant award for Northern Gateway are coming to a conclusion and a Grant Determination Agreement has been prepared for execution by both parties. <b>Officers have submitted the Delegated authority report for sign-off in line with the Executive approval provided in July 2020.</b></li> <li>• Announcement of Government approval on 04/08 for Getting Building Funding for BASE Manchester Innovation Activities Hub at MSP (£4M) and Mayfield (£23M). Draft offer letters received early September, with final terms being negotiated with GMCA (hoping</li> </ul>

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	<p>the supply chain (i.e. loss of subcontractors and access to materials). This concern has also been raised by developers of commercial schemes.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Developing guidance/share good practice for safe operation of sites.</li> <li>• Expediting design &amp; planning phases of projects.</li> <li>• Productivity increased across most major sites- 97% of infrastructure and construction sites now operating. Social distancing measures impacting on programmes. Issues re supply chain/access to materials. Infrastructure sites are now achieving 89% of pre-Covid productivity.</li> </ul>	<p>to conclude by 30/10)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2 Manchester schemes approved in principle for Round 1(22/09) of the Brownfield Land Fund (for schemes due to start 2020-21) <b>Mulbury City - New Cross Zone A and Viadux. Call for Round 2 now launched, with closing date of 23/11.</b> Decision awaited on the bid for an additional 10% allocation.</li> <li>• Key shovel ready schemes are included within Recovery Plan, included as part of CSR submission.</li> <li>• Community consultation on the first phase of the delivery of Collyhurst will be restarted in advance of planning applications for the delivery of approximately 270 homes (including up to 130 new Council properties) in Collyhurst Village and Collyhurst South and the first phase of a new park. The intention is that this consultation exercise will lead to the submission of planning applications in the <b>Autumn of 2020.</b> Scheme could commence Spring 2021.</li> <li>• <b>Planning &amp; Highways Committee on 22<sup>nd</sup> Oct considered a new commercial development at Speakers Corner, Deansgate (which could provide over 700 new FTE jobs); the refurbishment of Cavendish House on Chapel Walks to create additional office space; and a new hotel at 2-4 Whitworth Street. Cavendish House was approved, with the other 2 schemes deferred to the November Committee.</b></li> </ul>
<b>Affordable Housing</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Risk to developer and investor confidence.</li> <li>• Working with RP's and other developers to understand current impact and forward plans.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Extra Care facilities in development: 4 schemes under construction 257 apartments</b></li> </ul>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Assessing sources and levels of investment, and any obstacles</li> <li>• Investigating grant funding, financial and other support needed to enable early start of key projects</li> <li>• Understanding supply chain issues and identifying appropriate support measures.</li> <li>• Developing guidance/share good practice for safe operation of sites</li> <li>• Expediting design &amp; planning phases of projects.</li> <li>• Risk of registered providers slowing down or pausing programmes to consolidate finances/liquidity</li> <li>• Ensure Zero Carbon and Fire safety provision are part of the programmes.</li> <li>• Potential flooding of the PRS sector as the short term let market shrinks.</li> </ul>	<p><b>3 RP schemes</b> <b>1 MCC (PFI scheme)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Regulator for Social Housing (RSH) called for RP's to provide revisions of their business plans by September. This will identify any viability risks but should also identify progress on development programmes.</li> <li>• Managing existing onsite, pipeline and planned development with RP's. These were referenced in the June Executive report. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 398 homes under construction and anticipated in the 2020/21 year. Re-mobilization of sites now underway.</li> <li>○ 252 homes currently in the programme for 2021/22.</li> <li>○ New projects emerging.</li> <li>○ The scheme with Clarion has been finalised to deliver shared ownership homes for the full development</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Silk Street</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Silk Street funding has been approved and is progressing through the Capital Strategy Board with the CP2 complete. The project team has been established to take this through to delivery with Rowlinson Construction.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Progressing the establishment of a Local delivery vehicle. Looking to start on site with key projects and novate across. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Site assessments have now been completed by CBRE and this work is now with PwC who are producing a financial model to ensure</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

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		<p>provide over 400 new homes on a very complex site, proposed delivery of a net zero carbon scheme with just under 30% of affordable housing.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Homes England recently announced a new Affordable Homes Programme Fund for 2021-2026. Officers are working with partners to maximise the funding for a Manchester Affordable Housing Programme that will include a substantial amount of specialist and supported housing. <b>AHP submission is still proposed for December.</b></li> </ul>
<b>Transport and Infrastructure</b>	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.	<p><b>TfGM issued updated messages on Tier 3 travel:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>You should not travel into or out of GM unless your journey is essential for work, education, medical reasons, to access youth services, for caring responsibilities, or as part of a longer journey.</b></li> <li><b>You can continue to travel within GM but please think about how and when you travel and aim to reduce the number of journeys you make where possible.</b></li> <li><b>You can use public transport, but space is limited due to social distancing.</b></li> <li><b>Please cycle or walk if you can.</b></li> <li><b>You should work from home if possible.</b></li> <li><b>Plan ahead, allow extra time for your journey, consider travelling outside the busy morning and afternoon peak times, and using quieter routes.</b></li> <li><b>Download the <a href="#">NHS COVID-19 app</a> before you travel.(21/10)</b></li> </ul> <p><b><u>Manchester Specific Transport Usage Data</u> (for w/e 11/10)</b></p>

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		<p><u>Bus Patronage</u> -1.09% (1,207,938) trips from the previous report (vs. -1.14% GM-wide).</p> <p><u>Metrolink Network patronage</u> <b>decreased</b> by <b>0.51%</b> GM-wide on the previous week. Altrincham and Rochdale were the only lines to see an increase at 1% each, whilst the Trafford Park line saw the highest decreases of -5%, closely followed by the Airport and Ashton lines at -4% each.</p> <p><u>Highway (as at 8/10)</u>- Across GM the weekly average private vehicle trips <b>decreased</b> by <b>1.94%</b> on the previous week. Private vehicle trips in Manchester were <b>-14.2%</b> on the same time last year, (at the time of the previous report levels were <b>-11%</b> on the same period last year)</p> <p><u>Rail (as of 10/10)</u> - Passenger numbers across GM have dropped by 0.56% on the previous week.</p> <p><u>Cycling &amp; Walking</u>- Cycle volumes during the week ending 8 Oct <b>decreased</b> by <b>16%</b> compared to the previous week, current levels are now in line with the annual average (the previous report stated a <b>15% increase</b> on the annual average)</p> <p><u>GM Wide Data</u>  Latest data shows the following differences with the position on 09/03 (based on the busiest day of the week) showing a <b>slight decrease in all modes of transport over the last couple of weeks.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Metrolink patronage 9/3/20 = 122,613 14/7/20= 31, 884</li> </ul>

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		<p><b>Face Coverings-</b> Face covering compliance is around <b>80%</b> on buses, <b>83%</b> on Metrolink and <b>75%</b> on trains. (as at 11/10)</p> <p><u>City Centre Transport Strategy</u> consultation launched 23/09- as of 21/10 there have been <b>847</b> responses to the survey questions. The consultation ends on 4/11.</p> <p><u>Emergency Active Travel Fund</u> MCC has obtained £180k from the first phase of the Government's Emergency Active Travel Fund (EATF) to contribute to funding of work undertaken at Deansgate and Stevenson Square. Proposals have been submitted by TfGM for phase 2 of EATF. A bid to the value of £14 m was submitted on 7th Aug and £5.5 m of this was for proposals to support active travel within Mcr. Decision delayed- expected this month.</p>
	Analysis of businesses' plans for reopening, working with TfGM, CA, Chamber, Growth Company	TfGM linked into Day Time Economy recovery group work
	Identify and implement interventions that support social distancing and support business reopening and procure necessary equipment to facilitate this.	Re-purposing of city centre streets and open spaces. Initial ideas are now being developed further in consultation with members. The proposals seek to draw on best practice from other cities in the UK and abroad.
	Continue with highway works that can be undertaken during lockdown	<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> <li>● Finding ways to accelerate all our programme of walking and cycling schemes aiming to have early starts on all our programmed projects</li> </ul>

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <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>
<b>Skills, Labour Market and Business Support</b>	<p>Significant growth in the number of Manchester residents claiming Universal Credit. Evidence base for THINK work shows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 89% rise in claimant count in Manchester during April &amp; May - 33,825 claimants;</li> <li>● affects every LSOA in the City &amp; all age ranges;</li> <li>● particular impact on young people which has seen an increase of 98% (national fig 109%) &amp; over 50s (73%);</li> <li>● concentrations in areas with large Black, Asian and ethnic minority communities e.g. Longsight, Moss Side, Cheetham</li> <li>● 32% of Manchester residents are either furloughed (62,200) or receiving self-employment support (15,900);</li> <li>● Job losses compounded by significant drop in levels of vacancies;</li> <li>● 800 16-18 year olds who would normally pursue apprenticeships or move into employment at risk;</li> <li>● 74% national decline in apprenticeships</li> <li>● circa 10,000 graduates who would normally stay in the City will struggle to get graduate</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● THINK have produced their report on skills &amp; labour market recommendations (shared with Scrutiny Committee Members at the last meeting) with 6 key priorities:</li> <li>● minimise the number of Manchester residents moving from furlough to redundancy as the job retention scheme winds down;</li> <li>● support unemployed Manchester residents to re-enter work as quickly as possible especially young people, those aged over 50 and BAME;</li> <li>● maximise new job creation, increasing overall labour demand in the City;</li> <li>● minimise the number of young people who become unemployed after leaving education and training in Manchester;</li> <li>● support apprenticeships &amp; other training opportunities to better equip employers with the skills to survive &amp; grow, while helping more residents to progress &amp; upskill in their careers;</li> <li>● improve the support available to unemployed, long-term inactive residents to reduce the risk that they are “crowded out” of the jobs market with the influx of new claimants.</li> </ul>

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	<p>level work.</p> <p>ONS release in September - August figures- for Manchester:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Claimant count: 35,230 all ages up from 34,755 in August; 7165- aged 16-24; 21605 up from 21,450 (Aug) -aged 25 to 49 and 6455 up from 6325 (Aug) aged over 50. Of the 35,230, men account for 21,620 and women 13,605.</li> <li>• The increase in claimant count numbers of 475 over the last month represents an increase but not as sharp an increase as in April &amp; May. It is expected that the next significant rise in unemployment will be in October when furlough comes to an end.</li> </ul> <p><b>Furlough and Newly unemployed</b></p> <p>HR 1 data (advance notification of redundancies) from the Insolvency Service showed that nationally UK employers planned 58 000 redundancies in August, an increase of 150 on a year earlier. However, planned redundancies were down from the 150 000 high seen in both June and July. A total of 498 000 redundancies were planned between August and March, when the coronavirus crisis began.</p> <p>HR 1s submitted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Manchester Airport Group- 465 – working with MAG, Airport Academy and key partners</li> </ul>	<p><b>Furlough and newly unemployed-</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Newly Unemployed Group is collating and contributing to labour market intelligence, both in terms of supply, sector intelligence and skills, and demand in sectors due to investment in the city to enable effective matching of residents available for work with demand. Currently intel available includes comprehensive list of HR1s and requests for support from residents.</li> <li>• A supporting comms campaign has been developed which will be rolled out over the next few weeks and will drive requests to the MCC website.</li> <li>• Redundancies at Airport, Booking.com and DHL have been identified and the group will act as the conduit to put in place support measures to mitigate the impact of these. The take up of support from the affected workforce is limited to date - this is due to personal factors, comms still working through HR</li> </ul>

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	<p>including DWP and GC to ensure support is in place as part of the consultation period. Awaiting liaison with MAG HR.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Booking.com - DHL supply chains = 99</li> <li>• DWP notified the number of redundancies (GM) - 5 HR1's last week = 340 redundancies across 5 sectors. Offers have gone out re: DWP redundancy support and directly delivering support sessions to those people affected. Main recruitments – Peak recruitment for warehousing – Amazon, THG opportunities. HMRC customer services WFH – 6 months DWP work coaches.</li> <li>• Many firms had brought staff back to work, the Growth Company survey shows that 65% still have staff on furlough and of these 65 of firms said they have furloughed more than half of their workforce.</li> <li>• The sectors still furloughing high proportions (50 or more) of staff are in Hospitality Leisure and Tourism, Creative and Cultural, Retail, Manufacturing and Services sectors.</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Offer for 16-19 year olds</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NEET figures for Manchester are running at 49% of NEET and unknown. This is normal for this time of the year as all destination hasn't been captured including the Colleges. Better position than this time last year.</li> </ul>	<p>departments etc. Agencies are actively engaged with these organisations and are ready to develop bespoke packages of support as and when required - anticipated over the next month.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Work will continue with partners to ensure that the support available complements other GM wide programmes such as Kickstart and JETS.</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Offer for 16-19 year olds</u></b></p> <p>A link between We Love Manchester Charity and MMU colleagues at the First Generation Project has been established to explore potential to provide some financial support to 2021 graduates (first cohort to graduate from the project) to support access to labour market or post graduate study. Being led by manager at WLM and project strategic lead at MMU.</p> <p>Working with DWP &amp; youth organisations to look at bringing offers together for the youth hubs. Will need some DWP funding.</p> <p><b><u>Youth unemployment</u></b></p> <p>Kickstart 31 employers going live – majority of jobs are Tesco who are testing their system. First vacancies expected first week in November.</p> <p>Kickstart - Continue to support the pre-roll out of Kickstart, working with employers and gateway organisations to develop their wrap around support and progression offer for our young people in the City. Some offers are better</p>

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		<p>developed than others at the moment.</p> <p><b>Skills and employment support for adults</b></p> <p>Digital inclusion - Extended the number of volunteers to be able to offer support to residents with digital access. Have been asking questions to get a good baseline. 40 VCSE organisations on board offering digital support.</p> <p>There are 400 devices and data to be distributed to residents without digital access next week and a further 400 residents supported to effectively use digital devices. A flexible model has been developed, which can be built on with other partner organisations. MMU will carry out an evaluation of the scheme and a steering group is inputting to ensure that we get the right intelligence which can be used to adapt /extend the scheme if needed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DWP are offering digital devices &amp; support to unemployed adults who need them to access work and /or take up employment opportunities that involve working from home</li> <li>• This week has been "get online" week which has seen a big rise in messages being shared online and via social media.</li> </ul> <p><b>Social value and local benefit</b></p> <p>Proposed changes to Social value Policy to reflect Think recommendations are working their way through the approval processes and are due to be discussed at SMT and EMG in November. W&amp;S are also supporting the</p>

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	<p data-bbox="376 759 1025 794"><b><u>Business Support, Sustainability &amp; Growth</u></b></p> <ul data-bbox="421 836 1115 1423" style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="421 836 1115 1018">• 37% of UK employers plan to make staff redundant over the next three months, according to a YouGov poll of more than 2000 managers commissioned by the Advisory, Conciliation and Arbitration Service.</li> <li data-bbox="421 1056 1115 1423">• Salary &amp; Vacancy Trends Source: Growth Company– Vacancy details from Adzuna. -The average Manchester salary is £36,582 -Currently there are 17,794 live job ads in Manchester, out of 645,604 jobs nationally. This is up from the 16,496 live job ads in Manchester on October 8th -The top companies hiring in Manchester are: The Hut Group, Tesco, Spireas Online Tutoring, HC One and MITIE.</li> </ul>	<p data-bbox="1149 252 1973 392">development of a lottery funding bid by ANTZ to pilot a social value brokerage platform in Manchester. This was received positively by the Social Value Strategic Group on 8th Oct.</p> <p data-bbox="1149 437 1984 651">The W&amp;S Team are working to maximise local benefit from major developments, focusing on Northern Gateway and North Manchester General Hospital at the moment. A Social Value Framework has been drafted to cover both developments with work ongoing to develop the operation detail that ensures outcomes are delivered.</p> <p data-bbox="1149 695 1962 874">The team are also working with the Business Growth Hub to develop an intelligence led approach to local procurement that may be piloted on Northern Gateway. Meetings with the procurement team at FEC have been arranged for the next reporting period.</p> <p data-bbox="1149 919 1832 954"><b><u>Business Support, Sustainability and Growth</u></b></p> <p data-bbox="1149 999 1995 1394">Work &amp; Skills officers are engaged with Rates service to support the design and development of the emerging grant system for businesses in Tier 3 areas. Liverpool has still not received the details despite Tier 3 having been imposed 2 weeks ago. Briefing with Cities and Local Growth Unit on Localised Restrictions Support Grant (LRSG)- now triggered by Tier 3 held 22/10. Awaiting guidance. First payments will be made to businesses after 2 weeks of closure, based on rateable value. LAs asked to share estimated number of businesses affected by closures to then agree allocations asap.</p>

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	<p>-Most live job ads in Manchester are for IT Jobs and Teaching Jobs.</p> <p>-Salaries in Manchester have gone up 10.0% year on year while the national annual change is 4.3%.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Concerns remain about the implications as a result of a <b>no deal Brexit</b> and officers will work with comms to develop a social media campaigns to promote GM Chamber and Business Growth Hub. At present according to BGH survey data Oct 2020 just under half (47%) of firms said that the impact of EU exit will have a 'neutral effect' on their business, 12% said 'negative effect', 41% said they are 'unsure'. Suggesting that there is still uncertainly.</li> <li>• Future challenges facing the business <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Getting access to new domestic sales opportunities (32%),</li> <li>-managing the business finances (17%)</li> <li>-the impact of the end of EU transition period (11%) and getting access to new markets overseas (11%).</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p>In addition to LRSG, £60 m enhanced business support offer to be issued as one lump sum and allocated to LAs based on per capita population. To be defrayed by end financial year 2021.</p> <p>SME Restart &amp; Recovery and Kick-Starting Tourism grants (£1m for GM)- formal approval is currently awaited from MHCLG, before BGH and respond to those having expressed an interest can move to the next stage of the process.</p>
<b>Funding</b>	<p>No specific known impacts on current external funding bids caused by C19 as yet. Known bids progressing through funding approval processes as expected.</p> <p>Team in City Policy developing a funding action plan</p>	<p>The City Policy team is continuing to track new funding opportunities from a range of sources including Government and European programmes which remain open to UK applicants. The main funds of note this week are:</p> <p><b>1.Public Sector Building Decarbonisation Fund (BEIS)</b></p> <p>1. 100% grant funding for eligible projects</p>

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	based on C19 recovery and Corporate priorities	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2. No maximum or minimum</li> <li>3. Grant scheme delivered via Salix finance</li> <li>4. Eligible applicants include LAs, NHS Trusts, FE and HE, Emergency Services, Maintained Schools (inc. Academies, LA etc.) &amp; other public bodies</li> <li>5. Key Dates: Opens - 30th September 2020. 5 bidding rounds between October and January</li> <li>6. Assessments will be done inc. allocation of funds on a rolling basis, first come first served.</li> <li>7. 3 week turnaround time for projects to be approved.</li> <li>8. Completion of projects by March 2021 (or where not possible by September 2021)</li> <li>9. GMCA proposing a GM bid. MCC officers (City Policy and Estates) working with GMCA on that.</li> </ol> <p>A briefing note has been provided following the last sit rep update.</p> <p>Work is now progressing on a GM bid with a plan to submission by 23rd Nov.</p>
<b>Strategy &amp; Economic Narrative Review</b>	C19 has necessitated a review of existing strategies to understand whether they are fit for purpose given the predicted exacerbation of existing inequalities. This will inform the Economic Recovery Plan & Our Manchester Strategy reset. Formal refreshes would not take place until 2021 when the Our Manchester Strategy has been reset and the full impact of C19 is known.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Business webinar being planned for November on Economic Recovery Plan with Business Sounding Board.</li> <li>• Our Manchester Strategy Reset- Engagement concluded at the end of Sept with 3,680 people engaged along with partnership boards. Discussions have taken place at SMT and with Executive Members with a further report to Resources and</li> </ul>

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		<p>Governance Overview and Scrutiny Committee in Nov. The draft strategy will be considered by the Our Manchester Forum in Dec and a number of areas are emerging as potential priorities to be considered for inclusion within the reset:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Equality and inclusion - equality of opportunities for all residents; being bold to try and address structural inequalities; focusing on 'closing the gaps'.</li> <li>• Young people - particular focus of ensuring equality across the city, and ensuring good access to education and opportunities in the labour market.</li> <li>• Economy- ensuring local residents can access local jobs; good employment that is fairly paid.</li> <li>• Environment - more and better green space; ensuring we achieve our zero carbon ambitions.</li> <li>• Digital- inclusion including skills, infrastructure, devices and access to services.</li> <li>• Housing- access to affordable housing in all of the city's neighbourhoods.</li> <li>• Transport - increase active transport; affordable and accessible public transport.</li> <li>• Health- equal access across the city to good services; tackling physical and mental health inequalities.</li> <li>• Pride in the city and its people- reflecting Manchester's vibrancy and diversity, and wanting it to be the best it can be for its residents.</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Manchester Family Poverty Strategy</b> - a reprioritisation exercise has been undertaken with the Core Group which Cllr Craig attends.</li> </ul>

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Strategic Review of Social Value</b> - a presentation will be considered at SMT 27 Oct and with Executive Members on 11 Nov. This sets out the suggested changes to the approach to Social Value to respond to the challenges of Covid-19 and also other challenges such as Climate Change.</li> </ul>
<b>External Influencing &amp; Lobbying</b>	The Government's economic response to C19 has been fast moving and feeding in Manchester's priorities has required a coordinated approach.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Verbal update to EMG Economic Recovery Meeting on 23/10.</li> </ul>
<b>Economic Intelligence</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Need to engage with Manchester Businesses and Key sectors to understand current status re Covid related impacts.</li> <li>2. Understanding of businesses in rented spaces and analysis to support the Business Rates Discretionary Grants.</li> <li>3. Need to understand status of development pipeline across the city.</li> <li>4. Need to update population modelling (MCCFM), reflecting both the impacts on and from the economy.</li> <li>5. Demand appraisal for residential lettings market in Manchester post pandemic.</li> <li>6. Challenge re the scale of analytical capacity required to support this, other Covid-19 workstreams and Business as Usual activities.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Ipsos Mori large scale survey results to inform MCC priorities. Ongoing dialogue with business community to understand latest issues and impact.</li> <li>2. Tracking underway - pipeline used to support Financial Resilience work - including forecasting potential council tax &amp; business rates revenues - drafts for forecast CT / BR revenues from new development with Finance colleagues for comment</li> <li>3. Update of the MCCFM is in progress, more difficult and time consuming than normal due to macro uncertainties. ONS Mid Year Estimates released recently to support this work.</li> <li>4. Data sweep complete - work now underway to collate trends across sub-sectors (mainstream, students, short term lets) to contribute to overall appraisal.</li> <li>5. Ongoing discussions to re-prioritise work areas and understand where the gaps may be. Risk we could run out of internal capacity. Future format for economic monitoring currently being considered.</li> </ol>

