

**Manchester City Council  
Report for Information**

**Report to:** Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee – 6 November 2018

**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 the information provided and agree any changes to the work programme that are necessary.

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**Wards Affected:** All

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**Background Documents (available for public inspection):**

None

## 1. Monitoring Previous Recommendations

This section of the report contains recommendations made by the Committee, responses to them, if they will be implemented, and if it will be, how this will be done.

Date	Item	Recommendation	Action	Contact Officer
5 September 2017	CYP/17/40 School Place Planning and Admissions	To request further information on the number of siblings who have been allocated places at different schools.	A response to this recommendation has been requested and will be reported back to the Committee via the Overview report.	Michelle Devine, Interim Head of Access
5 September 2017	CYP/17/41 School Governance Update	To recommend that the Council work to increase recruitment of school governors who reflected the diversity of the local community.	A response to this recommendation has been requested and will be reported back to the Committee via the Overview report.	Ruth Bradbury, School Governance Lead
27 February 2018	CYP/18/16 The Employment of Children	To request that the Council carry out a social media campaign to raise awareness of the legislation relating to child employment.	A response to this recommendation has been requested and will be reported back to the Committee via the Overview report.	Amanda Corcoran, Director of Education
4 September 2018	CYP/18/43 Children and Young People's Health including Mental Health Programme	To request that the Chair, on behalf of the Committee, write to the relevant Government Minister to lobby for additional funding for children and young people's mental health services.	A response to this recommendation will be reported back to the Committee via the Overview report.	Rachel McKeon, Scrutiny Support Officer

4 September 2018	CYP/18/44 Early Help Strategy	To request to that the analysis of the Troubled Families outcomes for 2017 be provided to Members of the Committee.	A response to this recommendation will be reported back to the Committee via the Overview report.	Joanne Dalton, Strategic Lead for Early Help and Interventions
4 September 2018	CYP/18/44 Early Help Strategy	To request a breakdown of the Early Help statistics at ward or district level.	A response to this recommendation was circulated to Members by email on 8 October 2018.	Joanne Dalton, Strategic Lead for Early Help and Interventions
9 October 2018	CYP/18/50 Draft Independent Reviewing Officer Annual Report 2017 – 2018	To request that a session be arranged outside of the formal Scrutiny Committee meetings for Members to examine the number of children becoming Looked After and the reasons for the changes in the numbers.	A response to this recommendation will be reported back to the Committee via the Overview report.	Rachel McKeon, Scrutiny Support Officer
9 October 2018	CYP/18/51 Manchester Curriculum for Life	To request that examples of the branded materials being tested in the pilot be circulated to Committee Members.	This was circulated to Members by email on 24 October 2018.	Rachel McKeon, Scrutiny Support Officer

## 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 **26 October 2018** 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.

#### Register of Key Decisions:

Decision title	What is the decision?	Decision maker	Planned date of decision	Documents that will be considered	Contact officer details
Capital Investment in schools  Ref: 2016/02/01D	The approval of capital expenditure in relation to the creation of school places through new builds or expansions.	City Treasurer	January 2018 or later	Checkpoint 4 Business Case	Amanda Corcoran 0161 234 4314 a.corcoran@manchester.gov.uk
Contract for 'The provision of a service for NEET Young People and those young	The appointment of a Provider to deliver a Targeted Youth Support Service	Director of Education and Skills	December 2018	Report and recommendations	Mike Worsley Procurement Manager mike.worsley@manchester.gov.uk 0161 234 3080

Decision title	What is the decision?	Decision maker	Planned date of decision	Documents that will be considered	Contact officer details
people most at risk of becoming NEET'  2018/10/04G					
TC850 – Education Management System  2018/09/24B	An Education Management System which will integrate the Education department(s) at MCC along with parents and educational providers across Manchester.	City Treasurer	November 18 onwards	Report and Recommendation	Jon Nickson Senior Project Manager 0161 234 3723 j.nickson@manchester.gov.uk
Organisation of Special Educational Needs provision  Ref: 2016/06/28	Agree to a prescribed alteration to Rodney House school to change designated age range and number of places. Agree to proposed changes to Sensory Services following consultation.	The Executive	March 2018 or later	Report outlining proposals. Outcomes of consultation process.	Amanda Corcoran Interim Director of Education 0161 234 1866 a.corcoran@manchester.gov.uk
School Place Planning	Approval on the strategy and spend	Executive	May 2018	Children and Young People Scrutiny	Name:Amanda Corcoran Position:Director of Education

Decision title	What is the decision?	Decision maker	Planned date of decision	Documents that will be considered	Contact officer details
Report Ref: 2018/04/16A	options for the 19/20 basic need allocation.			report	Tel no:234 4314 Email address:a.corcoran@manchester.gov.uk
Leaving Care Services Ref: 2018/03/21B	It is resolved for MCC to decommission the current 3rd party contract and establish a 'Wholly Owned Trading Company' to deliver Leaving Care Services.	The Executive	30/5/18	Report, supporting documents and recommendations	Name: Paul Marshall Position: Strategic Director Tel no: 0161 234 3804 Email address: paul.marshall@manchester.gov.uk
Children and Young People Foster Care Flexible Purchasing System Ref: 2018/05/1D	Approval to use the North West FPS for the delivery of Foster Care services	Strategic Director of Children's Services	May 2018	Contract Report and recommendation	Mike Worsley Procurement Manager Tel: 0161 234 3080 Email: mike.worsley@manchester.gov.uk
Children's Residential Care Flexible Purchasing System	Approval to use the North west FPS for the delivery of Residential Care for Children	Strategic Director of Children's Services	August 2018	Contract Report and Recommendation	Mike Worsley, Procurement Manager, Tel: 0161 234 3080 Email: mike.worsley@manchester.gov.uk

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2018/08/01A					
Contract for the Provision of Housing Related Support for Young People, Homelessness and Drug and Alcohol Services  2018/08/16B	The appointment of Provider to deliver	Executive Director Strategic Commissioning and Director of Adult Social Services	December 2018	Report and Recommendation	Mike Worsley Procurement Manager mike.worsley@manchester.gov.uk 0161 234 3080

**Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee  
Work Programme – November 2018**

<b>Tuesday 6 November 2018, 2.00pm (Report deadline Thursday 25 October 2018)</b>				
<b>Item</b>	<b>Purpose</b>	<b>Executive Member</b>	<b>Strategic Director/ Lead Officer</b>	<b>Comments</b>
Inclusion Strategy	To receive a presentation providing further information on work to reduce the number of school exclusions, including the national review.	Councillor Rahman	Amanda Corcoran	See June 2018 minutes
Supplementary Schools	To receive a report that updates the Committee on the work in the City to engage and support Supplementary Schools. This update has been requested by the Ofsted Subgroup of Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee.	Councillor Rahman	Amanda Corcoran Jenny Patterson	
Overview Report	The monthly report includes the recommendations monitor, relevant key decisions, the Committee's work programme and any items for information.	-	Rachel McKeon	

<b>Tuesday 4 December 2018, 2.00pm (Report deadline Thursday 22 November 2018)</b>				
<b>Item</b>	<b>Purpose</b>	<b>Executive Member</b>	<b>Strategic Director/ Lead Officer</b>	<b>Comments</b>
Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS)	To receive a presentation on CAMHS and transitions; giving due regard to the following areas for the general population and Our Children (looked after/care leavers): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• profile of need in Manchester - set in the context of the national and Greater Manchester picture</li> <li>• how the voice of children and young people</li> </ul>	Councillor Craig Councillor Bridges	Paul Marshall/ Professor Craig Harris, Manchester Health and Care Commissioning (MHCC)	See September 2018 minutes  Invite Mental Health Champion and Chair of



	<p>shapes and influences services</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• caseloads of CAMHS workers and interventions responsive to need</li> <li>• transition arrangements</li> <li>• performance (including waiting times and non-attendance)</li> <li>• impact and outcome</li> <li>• future planning and transformation arrangements including the transformation of mental health services for children in Manchester and any commissioning intentions</li> </ul>			Health Scrutiny Committee
Children's Health	<p>To receive a report on the population health needs of children in Manchester including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• school nursing service</li> <li>• health visiting</li> <li>• dental and physical health</li> <li>• public health investment in addressing childhood obesity and malnutrition</li> </ul>	<p>Councillor Craig Bridges</p>	<p>David Regan/Sarah Doran/Paul Marshall</p>	<p>See June 2018 Audit Committee minutes</p>
Annual Adoption and Fostering report	<p>To receive a report on the Council's performance in relation to its adoption and fostering services</p>	<p>Councillor Bridges</p>	<p>Paul Marshall</p>	
Budget Setting – Children's and Education Services Business Plan	<p>To consider the proposed Children's and Education Services Business Plan.</p>	<p>Councillor Ollerhead Councillor Bridges Councillor Rahman</p>	<p>Carol Culley Paul Marshall Amanda Corcoran</p>	
Overview Report		-	<p>Rachel McKeon</p>	

<b>Tuesday 8 January 2019, 2.00pm (Report deadline Thursday 27 December 2018)</b>				
<b>Item</b>	<b>Purpose</b>	<b>Executive Member</b>	<b>Strategic Director/ Lead Officer</b>	<b>Comments</b>
Delivering the Our Manchester Strategy	This report provides an overview of work undertaken and progress towards the delivery of the Council's priorities as set out in the Our Manchester Strategy for those areas within the portfolio of the Executive Member for Children's Services.	Councillor Bridges		December or January - TBC
Budget Setting – Children's and Education Services Business Plan	To receive any additional information requested by the Committee at its meeting on 4 December 2018.	Councillor Ollerhead Councillor Bridges	Carol Culley Paul Marshall Amanda Corcoran	TBC
Special Educational Needs and Disability (SEND) Annual Report	To receive an update on SEND provision.	Councillor Rahman Councillor Bridges	Amanda Corcoran	
School Governance	To receive a report on school governance.	Councillor Rahman	Amanda Corcoran	TBC
Overview Report		-	Rachel McKeon	

<b>Items To be Scheduled</b>				
<b>Item</b>	<b>Purpose</b>	<b>Executive Member</b>	<b>Strategic Director/ Lead Officer</b>	<b>Comments</b>
Changes to Lancasterian Sensory Support Service	To receive a report in order to monitor the impact of the changes.	Councillor Rahman	Amanda Corcoran	See February 2017 minutes
Complex Safeguarding/Protect	To receive a report on the Council's Complex Safeguarding service.	Councillor Bridges	Paul Marshall	

report				
Early Help	To receive an update report in a year's time.	Councillor Bridges	Paul Marshall	See September 2018 minutes
Early Years	To receive a quarterly update. Next update to report on the Early Years Delivery Model, focusing on the Health Visitor programme.	Councillor Bridges	Amanda Corcoran	See 2 January 2018 minutes
Edge of Care Services	To receive a report on the range of approaches used to support children and young people on the edge of care, to include the context, anonymised case studies and information on value for money.	Councillor Bridges	Paul Marshall/ Sean McKendrick	See December 2017 minutes
Foster Care	To receive a further report at an appropriate time, to include information on the success of the Council's fostering service's recruitment and retention activity and an update on the number of children for whom the Council have secured a 'permanent' placement. To update Members on the issues raised by Manchester Foster Care Association, where appropriate.	Councillor Bridges	Paul Marshall/ Sean McKendrick	See November 2017 minutes
Greater Manchester Review of Children's Services	To receive a further report which provides more information on the proposals for Greater Manchester Children's Services, the Children and Families Bill and the Alan Wood review of LSCB, including the implications for Manchester City Council.	Councillor Bridges	Paul Marshall	See 31 January 2017 minutes
Leaving Care Service	To receive an update report in the 2019/2020 municipal year, to include further information on the work that Barclays Bank is doing to support our young people. To note that this report will also include an update on work to ensure suitable accommodation for our young people.	Councillor Bridges	Paul Marshall	See October 2018 minutes
Locality Plan	To receive a report on the Locality Plan as it relates to services for children and young people, including Child	Councillor Bridges	Paul Marshall	See November 2016 minutes

	and Adolescent Mental Health Services.	Councillor Craig		Invite Chair of Health Scrutiny Committee
Looked After Children and Care Leavers Placement Sufficiency Strategy Review	To request a further report in the 2018/2019 municipal year to update on progress and impact. To request that this report includes consideration of the reasons why the number of LAC is increasing in Manchester and nationally and information on the placement of sibling groups.	Councillor Bridges	Paul Marshall/Sean McKendrick	See May 2018 minutes
Looked After Children (LAC) and Corporate Parenting	To receive an annual report on the work of the Corporate Parenting Panel. To include an update on recent developments in respect of LAC and corporate parenting. To include the future role/best use of existing children's homes including best practice within other local authorities and models of practice.	Councillor Bridges	Paul Marshall / Linda Evans	See May 2018 minutes
Looked After Children (LAC) Investment Plan budget	To receive a quarterly update.	Councillor Bridges Councillor Flanagan	Paul Marshall /Simon Finch	Invite Resources and Governance Scrutiny Chair
Manchester Curriculum for Life	To receive an update report in 12 months' time.	Councillor Rahman	Amanda Corcoran	See July 2018 minutes Invite Chair of Economy Scrutiny Committee
Manchester Safeguarding Children Board (MSCB)	To receive the MSCB's Annual Report.	Councillor Bridges	Paul Marshall / Julia Stephens-Row	
Post Ofsted Improvement Plan Update	Regular reports provided by the Strategic Director for Children's Services detailing action taken as part of the Ofsted Improvement Plan. An update is currently	Councillor Bridges	Paul Marshall/ Linda Evans	See September 2017, 30

	<p>received at each meeting. Updates will be aligned to themes within the Improvement Plan. Future content of reports will include: Corporate Parenting and LAC, Safeguarding, Fostering and Adoption, Quality of Practice (including a breakdown of the cases which have 'not met' practice standards, including case studies if appropriate) and Missing from Home. To also include an update on the progress and impact of the Getting to Good Board and its priorities. To receive a report outlining the impact of the actions in relation to the following Ofsted recommendation: "Monitor and improve the frequency and quality of management oversight and supervision in all teams. Ensure that supervision is regular, reflective and challenging, and that managers record the rationale for their decisions."</p>			January 2018 and May 2018 minutes.
Proxy Indicators	To receive quarterly presentations of the proxy indicators outlined in the report considered by the Committee in June 2018 and to request that these presentations also include information on school attendance and exclusions.	Councillor Bridges Councillor Rahman	Paul Marshall/ Sean McKendrick/ Amanda Corcoran	See June 2018 minutes
Raising Standards of Practice in Children's Social Care	To receive an update report.	Councillor Bridges	Paul Marshall	See September 2016 minutes
Safeguarding	<p>Regular reports provided by the Strategic Director for Children's Services, three a year. Future content to include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Working together</li> <li>• Sex education in schools, safeguarding risks of access to internet porn, internet bullying</li> <li>• Feedback of action from lifestyle choices</li> <li>• Information on multi-agency work to disrupt and</li> </ul>	Councillor Bridges	Paul Marshall / Linda Evans	See July 2017, February 2018 and October 2018 minutes

	<p>enforce against activities leading to Child Sexual Exploitation (CSE)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Safeguarding children in sport</li> <li>• The new safeguarding arrangements</li> </ul>			
School Attendance and Attainment	To receive regular reports regarding attainment and attendance. To include information on the use of flexi-schooling in Manchester and on children who are not included in the school attendance figures because they are waiting for a school place or are being home schooled.	Councillor Rahman	Amanda Corcoran	See 30 January 2018 minutes
School Calendar	To receive a report on progress to better align school calendars for 2018/2019.	Councillor Rahman	Amanda Corcoran	See June 2016 minutes
Sport and Active Lifestyles for Children and Young People	To receive a further report to include a review of the data from the 2017/2018 academic year.	Councillor Bridges Councillor Rahman	Amanda Corcoran/ David Regan/Lee Preston/Neil Fairlamb	See December 2017 minutes Invite Chair of Communities and Equalities Scrutiny Committee
Working Together to Safeguard Children	To consider Edwina Grant's discussion paper on future arrangements for working together to safeguard children at a future meeting.	Councillor Bridges	Paul Marshall	See 30 January 2018 minutes
Young Carers	To receive a report on Young Carers.	Councillor Bridges	Amanda Corcoran	See 30 January 2018 minutes
Youth and Play Trust	To review progress, including information on the transition arrangements for the hubs. To receive an update on the response to the recommendations of the Youth and Play Task and Finish Group.	Councillor Bridges Councillor Rahman	Amanda Corcoran	See December 2015 & February 2016 minutes