

**Manchester City Council
Report for Information**

Report to: Neighbourhoods and Environment Scrutiny Committee
– 10 March 2021

Subject: Overview Report

Report of: Governance and Scrutiny Support Unit

Summary

This report provides the following information:

- Recommendations Monitor
- A summary of key decisions relating to the Committee's remit
- Items for Information - Covid Sitrep Update is to follow
- 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
13 January 2021	NESC/21/02 Neighbourhoods Directorate Budget Proposals 2021/22	Recommend that the Executive Member for Environment, Planning and Transport considers undertaking an audit of all road safety measures around schools and capital funding be used to fund the delivery of appropriate signage and road markings to improve road safety around all Manchester schools where any deficiencies are identified.	A response to this recommendation has been requested and will be reported back once received.	Cllr Stogia
13 January 2021	NESC/21/05 Manchester Green and Blue Strategy and Implementation Plan, including: Annual update and a report on the Tree Action Plan	Recommend that Officers, in consultation with the Executive Member for Environment, Planning and Transport explore the options for delivering a programme of tree maintenance training. This training to be made available to all relevant partners, including staff working in schools.	A response to this recommendation has been requested and will be reported back once received.	Cllr Stogia
13 January 2021	NESC/21/06 Monitoring and Compliance – Construction Sites	Recommend that the Executive Member for Environment, Planning and Transport give consideration to establishing a bespoke Manchester Considerate Constructors Scheme that had to be adhered to by	A response to this recommendation has been requested and will be reported back once received.	Cllr Stogia

		contrators and be included as a mandatory condition of any planning consent.		
13 January 2021	NESC/21/06 Monitoring and Compliance – Construction Sites	Recommend that Officers, in consultation with the Executive Member for Environment, Planning and Transport arrange a briefing session for Members of the Committee that provides an overview of a range of activities that included, but not restricted to planning and related enforcement; roles and responsibilities and Traffic Regulation Orders.	A response to this recommendation has been requested and will be reported back once received.	Julie Roscoe

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 **1 March 2021**, 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 *

There are no Key Decisions currently listed within the remit of this Committee.

**Neighbourhoods and Environment Scrutiny Committee
Work Programme – March 2021**

Wednesday 10 March 2021, 2 pm (Report deadline Friday 26 February 2021)				
Item	Purpose	Lead Executive Member	Lead Officer	Comments
Update on evictions in the Private Rented Sector and the impact on the homelessness service	Following the recent announcement of the lifting of eviction restrictions in the Private Rented Sector that had been introduced as a result of Covid-19, this report will describe the impact of these changes on the homelessness service. The report will provide data on the levels of demand and describe the response to this. This report will also provide comparative data on the number of evictions from social housing.	Cllr Rahman	Mike Wright	
Housing Allocations Policy	To receive an update report on the implementation of the new Housing Allocations Policy that went on-line in Sept 2020. This report will include details of any review of the policy that has been undertaken to date.	Cllr Richards	Kevin Lowry Martin Oldfield	Previously considered at NESC Nov 2019.
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Items to be scheduled				
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Landlord Licensing Update	To receive a progress report on the delivery of the Extension to Selective Licensing Schemes that was previously reported to the Committee at their meeting of 2 Sept 2020.	Cllr Richards	Fiona Sharkey	To be scheduled for June 2021 meeting.

