

**Manchester City Council  
Report for Information**

**Report to:** Resources and Governance Scrutiny Committee – 7 September 2021

**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
- Work Programme
- Items for information

**Recommendation**

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

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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	Action	Contact Officer
25 May 2021	RGSC/21/22 Updated Annual Property Report 2020/2021	To request that the Committee receive an update on the delivery of the projects funded through the Government Public Sector Decarbonisation Scheme at an appropriate time.	The Deputy Leader (Finance) agreed to provide this information to Members following the Committee's meeting in June 2021.	Cllr Craig

## 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 **27 August 2021**, 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.

Corporate Core					
<b>National Taekwondo Centre 2018/10/19A</b>  Enter into a 39 year lease with Sport Taekwondo UK Ltd for areas within the building.	Chief Executive	Not before 1st Nov 2018		Briefing Note and Heads of Terms	Richard Cohen r.cohen@manchester.gov.uk
<b>Strategic land and buildings acquisition</b>	City Treasurer (Deputy Chief	Not before 3rd Jul 2019		Checkpoint 4 Business Case &	Richard Cohen r.cohen@manchester.gov.uk

<p><b>2019/06/03B</b></p> <p>The approval of capital expenditure for the purpose of the strategic acquisition of land and buildings to support the Eastlands Regeneration Framework.</p>	<p>Executive)</p>			<p>Briefing Note</p>	
<p><b>Strategic land and buildings acquisition 2019/06/03C</b></p> <p>The approval of capital expenditure for the purpose of the strategic acquisition of land and buildings to support the Eastlands Regeneration Framework</p>	<p>City Treasurer (Deputy Chief Executive)</p>	<p>Not before 1st Mar 2020</p>		<p>Checkpoint 4 Business Case &amp; Briefing Note</p>	<p>Richard Cohen r.cohen@manchester.gov.uk</p>
<p><b>Establishment of a multi-supplier framework for the supply of gas TC473 (2020/01/28A)</b></p> <p>To approve a tender to establish a Multi-supplier framework for the supply of Gas. The framework agreement will also be made available on the same basis to other AGMA local authorities and any North</p>	<p>City Treasurer (Deputy Chief Executive)</p>	<p>Not before 1st May 2020</p>		<p>Report and Recommendation</p>	<p>Walter Dooley w.dooley@manchester.gov.uk</p>

West based public sector funded organisation.					
<p><b>Oldham Road cycling route (2020/05/28B)</b></p> <p>The approval of capital expenditure to enable a feasibility study for development of a segregated cycling route along Oldham Road A62 from Thompson Street to Queens Road (intermediate Ring Road).</p>	City Treasurer (Deputy Chief Executive)	Not before 26th Jun 2020		Checkpoint 4 Business Case	Steve Robinson, Director of Highways steve.robinson@manchester.gov.uk
<p><b>Acquisition of Land at Red Bank (2020/06/25A)</b></p> <p>The approval of capital expenditure for the Acquisition of land on Red Bank, Cheetham to support delivery of the Housing Infrastructure Fund Programme (HIF) in the Northern Gateway. The Land is required to provide access and new road construction to unlock key sites as part of the initial phases of development.</p>	City Treasurer (Deputy Chief Executive)	Not before 24th Jul 2020		Checkpoint 4 Business Case and briefing note	Nick Mason n.mason@manchester.gov.uk
<b>TC1005 - Security</b>	City Treasurer	Not before			Steve Southern

<p><b>Services- vary of contract with existing provider (2020/08/14C)</b></p> <p>Approval to vary the contract with the existing provider.</p>	(Deputy Chief Executive)	12th Sep 2020			s.southern@manchester.gov.uk
<p><b>TC701 - PPM and Reactive repairs of public buildings (2020/08/14D)</b></p> <p>To vary the contract with the existing provider.</p>	City Treasurer (Deputy Chief Executive)	Not before 12th Sep 2020			Steve Southern s.southern@manchester.gov.uk
<p><b>TC778 - Cashless Parking (2020/09/08B)</b></p> <p>To vary the contract with the existing provider.</p>	City Treasurer (Deputy Chief Executive), Chief Executive	Not before 7th Oct 2020		Report and Recommendation	Patricia Wilkinson, Group Manager - Parking & Bus Lane Enforcement p.wilkinson1@manchester.gov.uk
<p><b>Manchester City Centre Triangle (2021/01/14A)</b></p> <p>The approval of capital expenditure for the construction of a scheme to connect travel hubs in the city centre</p>	City Treasurer (Deputy Chief Executive)	Not before 1st Mar 2021		Checkpoint 4 Business Case	Steve Robinson, Director of Operations (Highways) steve.robinson@manchester.gov.uk
<p><b>Financial approval of MCR Active Contract 2021/22 (2021/01/28A)</b></p>	City Treasurer (Deputy Chief Executive)	Not before 1st Mar 2021		Report to Deputy Chief Executive and City Treasurer	Yvonne O'Malley, Commercial Lead; Neighborhoods yvonne.o'malley@manchester.gov.uk

Financial approval of third year of MCR Active Contract for period 1 April 2021 to 31 March 2022.					ov.uk
<p><b>Chorlton Library Refurbishment (2021/02/17C)</b></p> <p>The approval of capital expenditure for the refurbishment of Chorlton Library (Libraries Renewal Programme)</p>	City Treasurer (Deputy Chief Executive)	Not before 18th Mar 2021		Checkpoint 4 Business Case	Neil MacInnes n.macinnnes@manchester.gov.uk
<p><b>Provision of Postal Services TC514 (2021/03/10A)</b></p> <p>To seek approval to appoint a supplier/s to provide Postal Services to Manchester City Council.</p>	City Treasurer (Deputy Chief Executive)	Not before 8th Apr 2021		Confidential Contract Report with Recommendation.	Anna Caswell-Thorpe Anna.caswell-thorpe@manchester.gov.uk
<p><b>Collyhurst Regeneration - New Council Homes (2021/05/04A)</b></p> <p>The approval of capital expenditure to enable the delivery of New Council Homes in Collyhurst, together with associated</p>	City Treasurer (Deputy Chief Executive)	Not before 2nd Jun 2021		Checkpoint 4 Business Case	Keith Garner, Project Manager - Housing and Residential Growth keith.garner@manchester.gov.uk

infrastructure and public realm.					
<p><b>(TC145) Framework for the Provision of Financial Services (2021/05/11A)</b></p> <p>The appointment of provider(s) to deliver Financial Services Advice and Support.</p>	City Treasurer (Deputy Chief Executive)	Not before 11th Jun 2021		Report & Recommendation	Louise Causley louise.causley@manchester.gov.uk
<p><b>Provision of Citrix and AppSense licences and Support &amp; Maintenance (2021/05/21B)</b></p> <p>To seek approval to award a contract to a single supplier for the provision of Citrix and AppSense Licences and Support and Maintenance.</p>	City Treasurer (Deputy Chief Executive)	21 Jun 2021		Confidential Contract Report with Recommendation	Mary Lynch, Head of ICT PMO mary.lynch@manchester.gov.uk
<p><b>Riverdale estate maisonettes improvement work (2021/06/03B)</b></p> <p>The approval of capital expenditure for Riverdale Maisonettes Improvement Work, part of the Northwards Housing Programme.</p>	City Treasurer (Deputy Chief Executive)	Not before 2nd Jul 2021		Checkpoint 4 Business Case	Martin Oldfield m.oldfield@manchester.gov.uk



<p><b>Resident and Business Digital Experience (RBDxP) (2021/06/04)</b></p> <p>The approval of revenue expenditure for Resident and Business Digital Experience (RBDxP), to transform the way the Council interacts with residents, businesses, and partners.</p>	<p>City Treasurer (Deputy Chief Executive)</p>	<p>Not before 4th Jul 2021</p>		<p>Checkpoint 4</p>	<p>Chris Wanley, Director of ICT chris.wanley@manchester.gov.uk</p>
<p><b>Parks in Partnership Fund (2021/06/10A)</b></p> <p>The approval of capital expenditure to carry out improvement works to Manchester's parks and green spaces that raise standards and sustainability within parks, whilst widening participation, access and inclusivity</p>	<p>City Treasurer (Deputy Chief Executive)</p>	<p>Not before 9th Jul 2021</p>		<p>Checkpoint 4 Business Case</p>	<p>Neil Fairlamb N.Fairlamb@manchester.gov.uk</p>
<p><b>Removal of Elizabeth Yarwood Court from the Brunswick PFI contract (2021/06/11A)</b></p> <p>To approve the removal of Elizabeth Yarwood Court</p>	<p>Executive</p>	<p>28 Jul 2021</p>		<p>Report to Executive</p>	<p>David Lord d.lord@manchester.gov.uk</p>

from the Brunswick PFI contract to facilitate mixed use development					
<p><b>Early Years - Tendered Daycare Settings (2021/07/16B)</b></p> <p>The approval of capital expenditure to support the continued provision of high-quality Early Years settings across the City.</p>	City Treasurer (Deputy Chief Executive)	Not before 16th Aug 2021		Checkpoint 4 Business Case	Amanda Corcoran, Director of Education a.corcoran@manchester.gov.uk
<p><b>National Football Museum (2021/08/05A)</b></p> <p>To approve a new lease and grant.</p>	Executive	15 Sep 2021		Report and recommendations for resolution.	Louise Lanigan, Principal Resources and Programmes Officer (Culture) louise.lanigan@manchester.gov.uk
<p><b>Site Acquisition - The Yard (2021/08/06A)</b></p> <p>To approve Capital Expenditure for the acquisition of land referred to as The Yard, Vaughan Street, West Gorton, Manchester M12 5FQ (Ardwick Ward)</p>	City Treasurer (Deputy Chief Executive)	Not before 6th Sep 2021		Checkpoint 4 Business Case	Ken Richards k.richards@manchester.gov.uk

### 3. Resources and Governance Scrutiny Committee - Work Programme – September 2021

Tuesday 7 September 2021, 2.00pm (Report deadline Thursday 26 August 2021)				
Item	Purpose	Executive Member	Strategic Director/Lead Officer	Comments
Capital support for developments and regeneration	To include how MCC council resources are used to lever in others as part of the regeneration agenda, including our approach and the rules regarding Prudential Framework and PWLB.	Councillor Leese Councillor Craig	Carol Culley	
Income generation	To include income generating contracts, commercial estate and the strategy for the return of NCP city centre car parks to the Council's control. To also include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• responses to queries around the shortfall in actual income for 2018/19 and the projected level of income to be generated in 2019/20 for Legal and Democratic Services;</li> <li>• future opportunities connected to innovative income opportunities;</li> <li>• distinctions between the amount of income generated from core services the Council provides for social reasons and those it provides solely to make profit; and</li> <li>• what other local authorities are doing around income generation which the Council could possibly look to emulate</li> </ul>	Councillor Craig	Carol Culley	

Spend and financing of external wholly owned organisations	To receive a report on spend and financing of external wholly owned organisations including Manchester Central. To include lessons learnt from Public Interest Reports .	Councillor Craig	Carol Culley	
Assurance review on capital delivery	To receive a report and action plan from the external assurance review.	Councillor Craig	Carol Culley	
Overview Report	The monthly report includes the recommendations monitor, relevant key decisions, the Committee's work programme and any items for information.		Scrutiny Support	

**Tuesday 12 October 2021, 2.00pm  
(Report deadline Friday 1 October 2021)**

<b>Item</b>	<b>Purpose</b>	<b>Executive Member</b>	<b>Strategic Director/Lead Officer</b>	<b>Comments</b>
Equalities Strategy Implementation update	To consider a report on the progress of workforce equality'	Councillor Rahman	Deb Clarke Lorna Williams	
Revenue and Benefits	To receive an update including collection of business rates and council tax and ethical collection; update on Council Tax Scheme and resident support schemes and how this fits with the Council's anti-poverty agenda.	Councillor Craig	Julie Price	
Overview Report			Scrutiny Support	

Tuesday 9 November 2021, 2.00pm (Report deadline Friday 29 October 2021)				
Item	Purpose	Executive Member	Strategic Director/Lead Officer	Comments
Budget item	To be scoped.	Councillor Craig	Carol Culley	
Update on delivery of savings	To receive an update on the delivery on savings.	Councillor Craig	Carol Culley	
Overview Report			Scrutiny Support	

Tuesday 7 December 2021, 2.00pm (Report deadline Friday 26 November 2021)				
Item	Purpose	Executive Member	Strategic Director/Lead Officer	Comments
S106 Annual Report and Update	<p>To receive and update report following Internal Audit's review of the new S106 governance arrangements and that this report includes the following information:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• An indication of affordable housing being provided from S106 contributions</li> <li>• How Developers are encouraged to mitigate any harm from their developments</li> <li>• Best practice and comparison of S106 arrangements with other GM local authorities; and</li> <li>• The S106 triggers for planning applications within the Deansgate Ward (Land Bounded By Chester Road, Mancunian Way And Former Bridgewater</li> </ul>	Councillor Rawlins	Julie Roscoe	Representatives from Neighbourhoods and Capital Programmes attend to help address the Committees concerns around the rate of spend of S106 agreements

	Canal Offices and Land Bound by Jackson Row, Bootle Street, Southmill Street and 201 Deansgate.			
Community safety spend	To receive a report on Community Safety spend.	Councillor Craig Councillor Akbar	Carol Culley/Sam Stabler	
Parks spend - capital & revenue	To receive a report on Parks spend.	Councillor Craig Councillor Akbar	Carol Culley/Neil Fairlamb	
Overview Report			Scrutiny Support	

<b>Items to be Scheduled</b> <b>(Items highlighted in grey indicate that these have been included in the work plan of one of the above meetings).</b> <b>(New items added are highlighted in blue)</b>				
<b>Item</b>	<b>Purpose</b>	<b>Executive Member</b>	<b>Strategic Director / Lead Officer</b>	<b>Comments</b>
Commercial activity	Precise Details to be confirmed	Councillor Craig	Carol Culley	
Contract Monitoring	Precise Details to be confirmed	Councillor Craig	Carol Culley	
Equalities Strategy Implementation update	To consider a progress report following 6 months of the Equalities Strategy being implemented	Councillor Craig	Deb Clarke Lorna Williams	
Future Strategy for City Centre Car Parks	To receive a report on the strategy for the return of NCP city centre car parks to the Council's control	Councillor Rawlins	Carol Culley Steve Robinson	

Revenue and Benefits	Themed meeting to include activity around position of Business Rates and Council Tax and impact on residents and how to target support most effectively	Councillor Craig	Julie Price	
Review of investments being made by the Council into its Capital Strategy in terms of delivering future VFM post COVID19	Precise scope to be determined	Councillor Craig	TBC	
S106 governance arrangements	<p>To receive and update report following Internal Audit's review of the new S106 governance arrangements and that this report includes the following information:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• An indication of affordable housing being provided from S106 contributions</li> <li>• How Developers are encouraged to mitigate any harm from their developments</li> <li>• Best practice and comparison of S106 arrangements with other GM local authorities; and</li> <li>• The S106 triggers for planning applications within the Deansgate Ward (Land Bounded By Chester Road, Mancunian Way And Former Bridgewater Canal Offices and Land Bound by Jackson Row, Bootle Street, Southmill Street and 201 Deansgate.</li> </ul>	Councillor Rawlins	Julie Roscoe	Representatives from Neighbourhoods and Capital Programmes attend to help address the Committees concerns around the rate of spend of S106 agreements
Income Generation	To receive a more detailed report on income generation across key areas of the Council and include:-	Councillor Craig	Carol Culley Fiona Ledden	Date to be confirmed Requested at RGSC

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• responses to queries around the shortfall in actual income for 2018/19 and the projected level of income to be generated in 2019/20 for Legal and Democratic Services;</li> <li>• future opportunities connected to innovative income opportunities;</li> <li>• distinctions between the amount of income generated from cores services the Council provides for social reasons and those it provides solely to make profit; and</li> <li>• what other local authorities are doing around income generation which the Council could possibly look to emulate</li> </ul>			<p>meeting on 16 July 2019</p> <p>(see minute RGSC/19/40)</p>
GMCA Governance and Public Sector Reform	To receive an update on what is being delivered for the City through these arrangements	Cllr Leese (Leader)	TBC	Date to be confirmed