Our role as an employer



Living Wage Foundation accredited employer



We're committed to becoming a Living Wage city

Kickstart scheme



29 DWP-funded 6-month 'Kickstarter' placements ring fenced to Manchester residents aged 16-24 years old at risk of longterm unemployment



Our Town Hall project –
81 placements provided for residents, school and college students including
T-Level placements

Manchester City Council is committed to:



Working together with Manchester's residents and our partners to understand our diverse communities, improve life chances, and celebrate diversity.



A new Workforce Equality Diversity and Inclusion Strategy building on the learning from the race review and a detailed action plan including activity across 9 protected characteristics.



Career opportunities for Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic groups including a new Leadership Pathways Programme. 12 members of staff are currently on a pilot with larger cohorts planned throughout 2021 and 2022.



Ringfencing apprenticeships for entry level positions for Manchester residents.



Providing work experience opportunities for adults and young people from disadvantaged areas.



Ensuring a fair and inclusive working environment which recognises, values and responds to the dynamics and opportunities of a diverse workforce.

Social value and ethical procurement



Our Ethical Procurement Policy sets out a clear statement of policy for ethical practice in Manchester, for us, our suppliers, service providers, contractors and their supply chains.

Social Value key findings (2019/20)



£353m spent with Manchester organisations



of total spend with the top 300 suppliers



of the spend was within the 10% most deprived areas

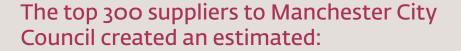


was spent with SMEs



£143m

estimated re-spend of the top 300 suppliers back in the Manchester economy on local employees and suppliers of their own





55,385

hours of volunteering and community sector support activities across Greater Manchester



576

apprenticeships within Manchester



2,251

jobs within Manchester

We have signed up to:

Unison Ethical Care Charter

October 2017

Unite Constuction Charter

March 2019

Unite Charter for Ethical Employment Standards in the Voluntary and Community Sector

July 2019

Armed Forces Covenant

December 2019

Care Leaver Covenant

We were appointed as a Local Authority Champion for the Care Leaver Covenant and Procurement Toolkit in April 2020



Supporting our residents



Welfare Provision 2020/21



£841,376 paid out to 3,044 applications to support resettlement



£3,194,110 paid in
Discretionary Housing
Payments to support
residents with rent



£149,674 paid to 831 households experiencing problems paying their Council Tax



£70,701 paid to 308 households to mitigate the impact of the two-child limit benefit restriction

Response to COVID-19



30,187 calls to the Community Hub (March 20 – April 21)



12,792 people supported with food parcels and meals (March 20 – June 21)



paid in Test and Trace Support Payments (Sept 20 – June 21)

£1,413,500



41,919 business grants/reliefs paid out totaling £224,411,061 (April 20 – June 21)



5 million items of PPE distributed



₤975k in grants via We Love Manchester Charity reaching 50k residents



Digital inclusion Support Service

May 20 - July 21

- 880 provided with digital skills support
 - **740** donated devices
 - 400 given Internet connectivity



Carers Emergency Fund

April 21 – June 22

- £100k budget to support carers
 - 69 applications, average award value of £186

School meals vouchers to support Manchester Families over the holiday period

Easter 2020

£230k to support over **6,000** Manchester children

October half-term 2020

£99k to support 6,600 Manchester children

Christmas holidays 2020 – Easter holidays 2021

£4.085m to support **43,000** vulnerable children and young people with supermarket vouchers and welfare grants

Summer holidays 2021

£3.5m of funding to support 42,000 children and young people:

£3.2m to schools to provide supermarket vouchers



Voluntary, Community and Social Enterprise Sector (VCSE)



In the 2020/21 financial year, the Council invested in the region of **£34million** of funding into the VCSE sector



Supporting:

- 63 organisations through the Our Manchester Voluntary Community Sector Fund programme
- £10k via the International Women's Day grants supported 21 organisations in 2020/21
- 15 organisations through the Cultural Partnership Fund
- **6** organisations through Cultural Strategic Investments
- £640k via the Neighbourhood Investment Fund (£20k per ward)
- £1m of funding via the Community Safety Partnership.

Children and young people



£2.74m

budget for youth and play for 21/22, which includes funding **4** 'youth hubs' across the city

Libraries - Read and Feed



62

Read and Feed sessions at 3 libraries in 2019 supporting 1283 children and 687 adults and combatting 'holiday hunger'

Holiday hunger

2,955 children and young people were fed and benefited from MCC funded play schemes including over the summer and October half terms in 2020, including:

255

children from Black Ethnic Minority backgrounds, **43** who identified as SEND 1589

meals delivered by The Powerhouse Youth Hub for children and young people 1300

meals distributed by youth and play providers to young people 69

food parcels delivered to families identified via Early Help

Social, affordable and temporary housing





Over **1,900** affordable homes completed since April 2015



446 affordable homes completed in 20/21 more than any year since 2011 (despite Covid-19)



Plans submitted for 225 new homes in Ancoats and New Islington



at the former Gould
St Gas Works



244 affordable homes, including **100** for social rent, approved in South Collyhurst



Plans submitted to build 40 modular homes in the City Centre to house homeless people

Skills, education and training



Manchester Adult Education Service



£8.6m

budget for Adult Education Services



£600k

to commission services from VSCE organisations

In 18/19 MAES had 3026 learners, 2119 of whom achieved at least one national qualification:



from Black, Asian and Ethnic Minority groups



had a learning difficulty or disability



were unemployed at the start of their course



indicated that English was not their first language.

In the 9 months following the completion of their course:

48%

of learners reported that they were now in work

9%

reported that they had continued in education elsewhere

1.5%

had gone into voluntary work.

Work Clubs

A network of **19** locally run work clubs are grant funded across the City.

In 2020/21:

3200

residents received support to improve their employability and skills

570

progressed into full or part-time employment

340

referred into further learning.

Inward investment



Manchester construction pipeline of new commercial development and housing.



Between April 2020 and March 2021 Manchester won 29 inward investment projects which will create 1,017 jobs, 475 in the Creative and Digital sector.

Our budget 2021/22



£637m net budget for Council services for 2021/22 supporting:

The Council



c**7,300** employees

Adult Social Care



26,826 care hours **1,189** care home placements

Homelessness



Supporting tenants in over **2,600** units of temporary accommodation

Children's Services



11,293 early years placements
1,403 Looked After Children
5,357 Children In Need
717 fostering placement

Housing



15,620 social housing units **3,987** new homes built in 20/21 (excl. small developments)

Neighbourhoods



16 libraries
159 parks, playgrounds and open spaces
7,788 tonnes of waste collected
33% city wide recycling rate