

**Manchester City Council  
Report for Information**

**Report to:** Environment and Climate Change Scrutiny Committee – 23 June 2022

**Subject:** Overview Report

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

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**Summary**

This report provides the following information:

- Recommendations Monitor
- A summary of key decisions relating to the Committee's remit
- 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 lists recommendations made by the Environment and Climate Change 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/21/06 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 Director of Planning, Building Control and Licensing
22 July 2021	ECCSC/21/11 Climate Change Action Plan Quarterly Progress Report: Q1 April - June 2021	That every school on a main arterial route with high volumes of traffic have a tree planting plan included as part of the tree strategy to promote clean air.	A response to this recommendation has been requested and will be reported back once received.	Julie Roscoe Director of Planning, Building Control and Licensing
14 October 2021	ECCSC/21/21 Climate Change Action Plan Quarterly Progress Report, Q2 July - September 2021	<p>1. The Executive Member for Environment give consideration to establishing a Climate Clock in the city, similar to that in Glasgow;</p> <p>2. The Executive Member for Environment and Officers arrange a briefing session for Members on the</p>	<p>A verbal response to this recommendation was provided at the May 2022 meeting.</p> <p>A response to these recommendations has been requested and will be</p>	Cllr Rawlins Executive Member for Environment

		modelling that was used to agree and set the suite of targets reported in the Action Plan.	reported back once received.	
9 December 2021	ECCSC/21/33 Aviation and Carbon Emissions	That the Executive Member for the Environment convene a meeting with Members of the Committee to discuss further the issues raised at the meeting.	The Executive Member for Environment is progressing this recommendation.	Cllr Rawlins Executive Member for Environment
9 December 2021	ECCSC/21/34 Grounds Maintenance Update: The Use of Pesticides	<p>1. That a briefing note be prepared by Officers that describes the approach taken by other Local Authorities to stop using Glyphosate and the alternate methods of weed control adopted.</p> <p>2. That a briefing note be prepared by Officers that describes the approach taken by local Registered Housing Providers to reduce their use of Glyphosate and the alternate methods considered to control weeds.</p>	The Executive Member for Environment has advised that both of these recommendations have been noted and work has begun to provide a response to these.	Heather Coates in consultation with Cllr Rawlins, Executive Member for Environment

## 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 **13 June 2022**, 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.

Subject / Decision	Decision Maker	Decision Due Date	Consultation	Background Documents	Contact Officer
<b>GM Clean Air Plan review (2022/05/31A)</b>  Note an update on the Greater Manchester Clean Air Plan review prior to submission of a preliminary response to Government on the review.	Executive	29 Jun 2022		Report on the GM Clean Air Plan review	Michael Marriott, Head of Local Planning & Infrastructure Michael.Marriott@manchester.gov.uk

**Environment and Climate Change Scrutiny Committee  
Work Programme – June 2022**

**Thursday 23 June 2022, 10 am (Report deadline Tuesday 14 June 2022)**

Item	Purpose	Lead Executive Member	Lead Officer	Comments
Climate Change Action Plan Annual Work Programme	To receive the Manchester City Council Climate Change Action Plan Annual Work Programme for 2022/23.	Cllr Rawlins	Mark Duncan / Sarah Henshall / Gina Twigg	
Carbon Reduction Procurement Progress Report	To receive and comment upon the MCC Procurement carbon reduction activities.	Cllr Rawlins	Peter Schofield / Mark Leaver	
Overview Report	This is a monthly report, which includes the recommendations monitor, relevant key decisions, the Committee's work programme and any items for information.	-	Scrutiny Support Officer	

**Thursday 21 July 2022, 10 am (Report deadline Tuesday 12 July 2022)**

Item	Purpose	Lead Executive Member	Lead Officer	Comments
MCC Climate Change Action Plan – Quarter 1 Update report	To receive and comment upon the MCC Climate Change Action Plan quarterly update report. The Committee have requested specific information in relation to the communications strategy with residents,	Cllr Rawlins	Mark Duncan / Sarah Henshall /	

	businesses and other key stakeholders.		Gina Twigg	
Manchester Climate Change Agency / Partnership Framework 2.0	To receive and comment upon the draft content of the Manchester Climate Change Framework 2.0. The Committee have requested specific information in relation to the communications strategy with residents, businesses and other key stakeholders.	Cllr Rawlins	Samantha Nicholson	
Overview Report	This is a monthly report, which includes the recommendations monitor, relevant key decisions, the Committee's work programme and any items for information.	-	Scrutiny Support Officer	

**Thursday 8 September 2022, 10 am (Report deadline Monday 27 August 2022)**

Item	Purpose	Lead Executive Member	Lead Officer	Comments
MCC Climate Change Action Plan 2021/22 Annual Report	To receive and comment upon the MCC Climate Change Action Plan 2021/22 Annual Report.	Cllr Rawlins	Mark Duncan / Sarah Henshall / Gina Twigg	
MCC Climate Change Action Plan Refresh	To receive the refreshed MCC Climate Change Action Plan at the mid-point of the period 2020-25.	Cllr Rawlins	Sarah Henshall / Gina Twigg	
Manchester Climate Change Framework 2.0	To receive and comment upon the final version of the Manchester Climate Change Framework 2.0.	Cllr Rawlins	Sam Nicholson	
Housing Retrofit	To receive information on the progress being made	Cllr	Becca	This item is to be

	<p>towards retrofitting the housing properties owned by the Council (including Northwards)</p> <p>This item will also provide information on the plans to retrofit homes in the private rented sector and owner occupiers, both at a local level and a Greater Manchester level.</p>	Rawlins Cllr White Cllr Hacking	Heron / Martin Oldfield / David Ashmore	confirmed for this Sept meeting date.
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**Thursday 13 October 2022, 10 am (Report deadline Tuesday 4 October 2022)**

Item	Purpose	Lead Executive Member	Lead Officer	Comments
MCC Climate Change Action Plan – Quarter 2 Update report	To receive and comment upon the MCC Climate Change Action Plan quarterly update report.	Cllr Rawlins	Mark Duncan / Sarah Henshall / Gina Twigg	
Manchester Climate Change Agency/ Partnership 2021/22 Annual Report	To receive and comment upon the Manchester Climate Change Agency 2021/22 Annual report.	Cllr Rawlins	Samantha Nicholson	
Waste, Recycling and Street Cleansing Update	This report provides an update on progress in delivering waste, recycling, and street cleansing services. Describing how the activity contributes to the climate change agenda and key priorities for future.	Cllr Igbon	Heather Coates	

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**Thursday 10 November 2022, 10 am (Report deadline Tuesday 1 November 2022)**

Item	Purpose	Lead Executive Member	Lead Officer	Comments
Working with Schools	To receive a report on the Council's work to support schools in relation to the climate emergency.	Cllr Rawlins	Amanda Corcoran	Invitation to be sent to Cllr Reid, Chair of the Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee
Embedding Carbon Literacy within the Council	To receive information on the progress being made towards embedding a zero carbon culture within the Council (as part of the Carbon Literacy journey).	Cllr Rawlins	Suzanne Grimshaw	
Neighbourhood Teams and Community Engagement	To receive a report that describes how the Neighbourhood Teams are working with local communities to address climate change.	Cllr Igbon	Shefali Kapoor	
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**Thursday 8 December 2022, 10 am (Report deadline Tuesday 29 November 2022)**

Item	Purpose	Lead Executive Member	Lead Officer	Comments
Single Use Plastic Free 2024 Progress Report	To receive a report on the progress being made towards our pledge to be Single Use Plastics Free by 2024.	Cllr Rawlins	Mark Duncan / Helen Harland	
Local Area Energy Plan	To receive an update on the progress of the Local Area Energy Plan.	Cllr Rawlins	Becca Heron / Pat Bartoli	
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**Thursday 12 January 2023, 10 am (Report deadline Monday 31 December 2022)**

Item	Purpose	Lead Executive Member	Lead Officer	Comments
MCC Climate Change Action Plan – Quarter 3 Update report	To receive and comment upon the MCC Climate Change Action Plan quarterly update report.	Cllr Rawlins	Mark Duncan / Sarah Henshall / Gina Twigg	
Budget Proposals 2023/24		Cllr Rawlins Councillor	Carol Culley Paul Hindle	

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**Thursday 9 February 2023, 10 am (Report deadline Tuesday 31 January 2023)**

Item	Purpose	Lead Executive Member	Lead Officer	Comments
Overview Report	This is a monthly report, which includes the recommendations monitor, relevant key decisions, the Committee's work programme and any items for information.	-	Scrutiny Support Officer	

**Thursday 10 March 2023, 10 am (Report deadline Tuesday 28 February 2023)**

Item	Purpose	Lead Executive Member	Lead Officer	Comments
Zero Carbon Culture Guides	To receive information on the work being delivered in relation to engaging Culture organisations with their zero carbon journeys	Cllr Rawlins / Cllr Rahman	Sarah Elderkin / Louise Lanigan	
Manchester Green and Blue Strategy and Implementation Plan,	To receive the annual update on the delivery of the Green and Blue Implementation Plan together with information on the delivery of the Tree Action Plan.	Cllr Rawlins	Julie Roscoe	

including annual update and a report on the Tree Action Plan	The Committee have requested that this item includes discussion on flood risk management with reference to the Victoria North Development; the role of partners such as the Environment Agency and their response to incident of spillages and pollution in rivers and information on the Our Rivers, Our City Strategy.			
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#### Items to be scheduled

Item	Purpose	Lead Executive Member	Lead Officer	Comments
Electric Vehicle Charging	To receive a report that describes the provision and delivery of electrical charging points for motor vehicles.	Cllr Rawlins	Rebecca Heron	
Staff Active Travel Scheme	To receive a report that provides information on the Manchester City Council Staff Active Travel Scheme.	Cllr Rawlins		
Manchester Airport and Aviation Emissions	To receive a report that discusses the steps taken to reduce emissions that result from the aviation industry.	Cllr Rawlins	David Houliston	
Parks and Open Spaces	To receive a report that provides information on the approach to open spaces to promote biodiversity and reduce carbon emissions. Members have requested that this includes consideration on the use of pesticides, including its use in allotments, woodland	Cllr Igbon	Kylie Ward Matthew Bennett	

	space and the interface between grounds maintenance and street cleansing services.			
Planning Policy and Climate Change	To receive a report that considers how planning policy contributes to addressing climate change.	Cllr White	Julie Roscoe	
Clean Air Plan Policy Review	To receive the Clean Air Plan Policy Review and note progress made. Members have requested this report includes a discussion on the actions taken to address idling in vehicles.	Cllr Rawlins	Michael Marriott	