

## **Manchester City Council Report for Information**

**Report to:** Economy Scrutiny Committee – 13 October 2022

**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 and note the information provided.

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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 and responses to them indicating whether the recommendation will be implemented, and if it will be, how this will be done.

Date	Item	Recommendation	Action	Contact Officer
8 September 2022	ESC/22/35 Green Skills & Housing Retrofit	Recommends that a working group be established and made up of members of the Economy Scrutiny Committee and the Environment and Climate Change Scrutiny Committee to support the delivery of the housing retrofit plan.	<p>The Chairs of ESC and ECCSC have liaised with the Executive Member and agreed that the establishment of a subgroup on this topic would not provide any real benefit to the housing retrofit programme given the evolving nature of the programme.</p> <p>Quarterly policy panels will be interspersed with quarterly updates to ECCSC with an invitation extended to ESC members whenever those items are on the agenda.</p>	Charlotte Lynch & Lee Walker

## 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 **3 October 2022**, 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.

Development and Growth					
<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 Dec 2022</p>		<p>Checkpoint 4 Business Case &amp; Briefing Note</p>	<p>Richard Cohen r.cohen@manchester.gov.uk</p>
<p><b>Disposal of site of former</b></p>	<p>Strategic</p>	<p>Not before</p>		<p>Report to the</p>	<p>Mike Robertson</p>

<p><b>Chorlton Leisure Centre for residential development (21/05/13A)</b></p> <p>Approval to the terms for the leasehold disposal of the site of the former Chorlton Leisure Centre for residential development.</p>	<p>Director - (Growth and Development)</p>	<p>13th Jun 2021</p>		<p>Strategic Director of Growth and Development</p>	<p>m.robertson@manchester.gov.uk</p>
<p><b>Restructure of existing multiple ground leases at Manchester Science Park into a new overriding single head lease (2021/07/16A)</b></p> <p>Restructure of existing multiple ground leases at Manchester Science Park into a new overriding single head lease.</p>	<p>Strategic Director - (Growth and Development)</p>	<p>Not before 16th Aug 2021</p>		<p>Report and recommendations</p>	<p>Mike Robertson m.robertson@manchester.gov.uk</p>
<p><b>Strategic approach to developments of social homes via a city-wide New Build Local Lettings Policy (LLP) (2021/08/10A)</b></p> <p>Executive adopts the New Build LLP for immediate implementation.</p>	<p>Executive</p>	<p>16 Nov 2022</p>		<p>Report and recommendations</p>	<p>Martin Oldfield m.oldfield@manchester.gov.uk</p>
<p><b>Land at Downley Drive, New Islington/Ancoats (2022/02/18B)</b></p>	<p>Strategic Director - (Growth and</p>	<p>Not before 18th Mar 2022</p>		<p>Report and recommendations</p>	

Land disposal by way of lease for residential development at Downley Drive, New Islington/Ancoats.	Development)				
<b>Asset Management Programme 2022/23 Budget (2022/04/26C)</b>  To approve capital expenditure for the Council's citywide assets.	City Treasurer (Deputy Chief Executive)	Not before 26th May 2022		Checkpoint 4 business case	Richard Munns r.munns@manchester.gov.uk
<b>Disposal of the former Gala Bingo, Rowlandsway, Manchester, M22 5RS (2022/05/19A)</b>  Approval to the terms for the leasehold disposal of the former Gala Bingo, Rowlandsway, Manchester, M22 5RS.	Strategic Director - (Growth and Development)	Not before 19th Jun 2022		Report to the Strategic Director of Growth and Development	Joe Martin, Development Surveyor joe.martin@manchester.gov.uk
<b>Acquisition of strategic asset in Wythenshawe (2022/06/10B)</b>  Approval of the capital expenditure required for the acquisition of the asset.	City Treasurer (Deputy Chief Executive)	Not before 7th Jul 2022		Report to Executive on 29/06/2022 and Delegated approval report to the Strategic Director of Growth and Development and City Treasurer	Mike Robertson m.robertson@manchester.gov.uk

<p><b>This City - new scheme development (2022/06/17B)</b></p> <p>To give capital expenditure approval to build a mixed development of market and accessible rent properties, initially through the Council before transferring to a Council-owned company during the build.</p>	City Treasurer (Deputy Chief Executive)	Not before 17th Jul 2022		Report and recommendation	Alan Caddick, Interim Director of Housing and Residential Growth Alan.Caddick@manchester.gov.uk
<p><b>Housing Affordability Fund Budget (2022/06/28B)</b></p> <p>The approval of capital expenditure for affordable housing via a dedicated HAF budget.</p>	City Treasurer (Deputy Chief Executive)	Not before 28th Jul 2022		Checkpoint 4 Business Case	Yvette Ryle, Project Manager Yvette.ryle@manchester.gov.uk
<p><b>Large Scale Renewable Energy Project (2022/07/13B)</b></p> <p>To purchase a large scale solar farm, associated storage and maintenance arrangements.</p>	City Treasurer (Deputy Chief Executive)	Not before 13th Aug 2022		Executive Report	Leader
<p><b>King Street Multistory Car Park &amp; King Street West Shops 35-47 (22/07/18A)</b></p>	Strategic Director - (Growth and	Not before 18th Aug 2022		Confidential report and recommendations	Lousie Hargan l.hargan@manchester.gov.uk

Approval to the surrender of the City Councils Leasehold interested to support the redevelopment of the site, as consented under planning application 129251/FO/2021	Development)				
<p><b>The Northern Gateway HIF Infrastructure Programme (2022/07/26A)</b></p> <p>To approve capital expenditure of up to £33.7m, the balance of the available allocation of £51.6m Housing Infrastructure Fund Government grant, following the approval of an initial tranche of £17.9m.</p> <p>This will cover the construction period for the delivery of flood mitigation works, infrastructure and utilities provision in the Red Bank Neighbourhood.</p>	City Treasurer (Deputy Chief Executive)	Not before 26th Aug 2022		Checkpoint 4 Business Case	Ian Slater i.slater@manchester.gov.uk
<p><b>Hammerstone Road Depot Additional Funding (2022/08/01A)</b></p> <p>To approve Capital</p>	City Treasurer (Deputy Chief Executive)	Not before 1st Sep 2022		Checkpoint 4 Business Case	Richard Munns r.munns@manchester.gov.uk

<p>Expenditure for further works which include, but are not limited to, scope changes for improved low carbon specifications, works to the façade, roof and drainage and inflationary cost pressures.</p>					
<p><b>Lower Campfield and Upper Campfield - granting of new ground leases (2022/09/07A)</b></p> <p>Approval to the granting of new ground leases to allow the repair and refurbishment of both buildings by the lessee.</p>	<p>Chief Executive</p>	<p>Not before 6th Oct 2022</p>		<p>Report to the Chief Executive and Strategic Director of Growth and Development</p>	<p>David Norbury david.norbury@manchester.gov.uk</p>
<p><b>This City: Contractor and Design Team Fees (2022/08/10A)</b></p> <p>To approve capital expenditure for the delivery of This City: Norther Quarter (Postal Street) in order to appoint a contractor under a Pre-Construction Services Agreement to progress work on a mixed development of market and Manchester Living Rent</p>	<p>City Treasurer (Deputy Chief Executive)</p>	<p>Not before 10th Sep 2022</p>		<p>Checkpoint 4 Business Case</p>	<p>Sarah Narici sarah.narici@manchester.gov.uk</p>



properties until planning permission has been granted.					
<p><b>Woodward Court External Concrete Repairs &amp; Enveloping (09/09/2022A)</b></p> <p>To approve capital expenditure for full enveloping scheme inclusive of concrete repairs to Woodward Court</p>	City Treasurer (Deputy Chief Executive)	Not before 9th Oct 2022		Checkpoint 4 Business Case	Martin Oldfield m.oldfield@manchester.gov.uk
<p><b>Electric Vehicle Charging Strategy (2022/09/12A)</b></p> <p>The approval of the Draft Strategy and agreement to its publication.</p>	Executive	14 Dec 2022		Report and recommendations	Phil Havenhand, Interim Head of Infrastructure & Environment Phil.Havenhand@manchester.gov.uk
<p><b>Fire Risk Assessments Additional Work (2022/09/13A)</b></p> <p>To approve Capital Expenditure of £4.885m to carry out specific further fire protection/prevention related work identified on properties within Housing Operations managed area.</p>	City Treasurer (Deputy Chief Executive)	Not before 11th Oct 2022		Checkpoint 4	Martin Oldfield m.oldfield@manchester.gov.uk
<p><b>Biodiversity Strategy (2022/09/21A)</b></p>	Executive	19 Oct 2022		Report and recommendations	Duncan McCorquodale duncan.mccorquodale@manchester.gov.uk

To endorse the Manchester Biodiversity Strategy					
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### 3. Economy Scrutiny Work Programme

Thursday 13 October 2022, 2pm (Report deadline Tuesday 4 October 2022) – To be held at The Forum in Wythenshawe

Item	Purpose	Lead Executive Member	Lead Officer	Comments
District Centres	To consider a report that provides information on the activities and initiatives to support and develop District Centres. The report will provide information on Levelling Up funding and the Shared Prosperity Funding. The report will further describe the progress to date following the findings and recommendations of the District Centres Subgroup.	Councillor White	David Lynch	See the District Centres Subgroup - Final recommendations considered at the meeting of Economy Scrutiny 5 March 2020.  Split between funding update and case studies of different district centres.
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 November 2022, 2pm (Report deadline Tuesday 1 November 2022)**

Item	Purpose	Lead Executive Member	Lead Officer	Comments
Update on the 2023/24 budget position	To receive a report on the Council's anticipated budget position for 2023/24, the budget process and draft proposals for any services in the remit of this committee	Councillor White Councillor Craig Councillor Hacking	Becca Heron Tom Wilkinson	
Inclusive Economy Narrative and Strategy	TBC		Becca Heron	
Poverty Strategy	This report will set out the revised Poverty Strategy for the city which will cover all households in the city, those with and without children. The Strategy will take account of the cost of living increase, impact of covid and remain focused on the long-term causes and structural nature of poverty in the city. It will be co-designed with stakeholders including those with lived experience and will be aligned with the Marmot Build Back Fairer GM recommendations & action plan.	Councillor Midgley	Angela Harrington Peter Norris	
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 December 2022, 2pm (Report deadline Tuesday 29 November 2022)**

Item	Purpose	Lead Executive Member	Lead Officer	Comments
Living Wage City	To update on progress with Manchester's ambition to become a Living Wage City. It will outline the Living Wage Action Plan and the role of the anchor institutions in championing the living wage. It will also provide the latest Living Wage figure and an update on the number of employers in the city which are paying it. The report will also include information on the Greater Manchester Good Employment Charter. The City Council is already an accredited Living Wage Employer by the national Living Wage Foundation (accredited in 2019), but now the ambition is to expand this pledge and urge as many businesses as possible to pay their employees a true living wage and support them to lead prosperous, happy and healthy lives.	Councillor Craig Councillor Midgley	Angela Harrington  Peter Norris	The Committee have requested that a number of invited guests from a range of different sectors are present to contribute to this item.
Greater Manchester Good Employment Charter	To invite the Growth Company to provide an update on progress with the GM Good Employment Charter since it was launched, setting out how it drives good employment beyond the Living Wage, the number of Manchester businesses and organisations accredited and the supported provided to businesses and organisations embarking on accreditation.	Councillor Craig	Angela Harrington  Ian McArthur	
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**Thursday 12 January 2023, 2pm (Report deadline Monday 31 December 2022)**

Item	Purpose	Lead Executive Member	Lead Officer	Comments
Employment and Training Opportunities from Major Capital Programmes	To receive a report that describes the employment and skills opportunities for Manchester residents that have resulted from the Council's major capital investment programme. This report will focus on but will not be restricted to the Our Town Hall project and the Factory.	Councillor Rahman Councillor Hacking	Angela Harrington	
Active Travel Strategy Update	To receive a report that provides an update on the Active Travel Strategy. This report will describe the principles, vision and objectives of the strategy.	Councillor Rawlins	Pat Bartoli	
State of Highways	TBC	Councillor Rawlins	Steve Robinson	
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 9 February 2023, 2pm (Report deadline Tuesday 31 January 2023)**

Item	Purpose	Lead Executive Member	Lead Officer	Comments
Budget Report	Consideration of the final 2023/24 budget proposals that will go onto February Budget Executive and Scrutiny and March Council.	Councillor White Councillor Craig Councillor Hacking	Becca Heron Tom Wilkinson	
Local Plan	To receive a report on the Local Plan. The Manchester Local Plan guides development within Manchester. It was previously known as the Local Development Framework.	Councillor Craig	Julie Roscoe	
Housing Allocations Policy Update	To receive a report following a review of the Housing Allocations Policy.	Councillor White	Alan Caddick	
Landlord Licensing Post-Consultation	To receive a report on landlord licensing and how this can address the impact of poor-quality property and management standards.	Councillor White	Alan Caddick	
This City Plan	To receive an update on the progress of This City's strategic and scheme specific activities.	Councillor White	Becca Heron Alan Caddick	
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, 2pm (Report deadline Tuesday 28 February 2023)**

Item	Purpose	Lead Executive Member	Lead Officer	Comments
LTE Group update	To receive an update from the LTE Group on its performance and strategy. The update report will also provide information on the work of Novus to support ex-offenders.	Councillor Hacking	John Thornhill LTE Group Angela Harrington	
Manchester Adult Education Service (MAES)	To receive and update from Manchester Adult Education Service on performance.	Councillor Hacking	Brian Henry Angela Harrington	
Update on Manchester's Labour Market	The Labour Market in Manchester in line with national trends has experienced a period of volatility following covid, with vacancies across the foundational economy as well as in key growth sectors. This report will set out the latest position along with the approaches being used to meet skill and labour market needs.	Councillor Hacking	Angela Harrington	
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	

**Items to be scheduled**

Item	Purpose	Lead Executive Member	Lead Officer	Comments
Design for Life and Resizing	TBC	Cllr White	Dave Thorley	