

**Manchester City Council
Report for Information**

Report to: Council – 30 November 2022

Subject: Urgent Key Decisions

Report of: The City Solicitor

Purpose of report

To report those key decisions that have been taken in accordance with the urgency provisions in the Council's Constitution.

Recommendation

To note the report.

Wards affected: All

Environmental Impact Assessment - the impact of the decisions proposed in this report on achieving the zero-carbon target for the city

N/A

Our Manchester Strategy outcomes	Contribution to the strategy
A thriving and sustainable city: supporting a diverse and distinctive economy that creates jobs and opportunities	N/A
A highly skilled city: world class and home-grown talent sustaining the city's economic success	N/A
A progressive and equitable city: making a positive contribution by unlocking the potential of our communities	N/A

A liveable and low carbon city: a destination of choice to live, visit, work	N/A
A connected city: world class infrastructure and connectivity to drive growth	N/A

Full details are in the body of the report, along with any implications for

- Equal Opportunities Policy
- Risk Management
- Legal Considerations

Financial consequences for the Revenue budget:

None

Financial consequences for the Capital Budget:

None

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Background documents:

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. Background

- 1.1 The Constitution (Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules) establishes a procedure for dealing with key decisions where action needs to be taken immediately for reasons of urgency and is therefore not subject to the normal call-in arrangements.
 - 1.2 The procedures states that the chair of the appropriate scrutiny committee must agree that both the decision proposed is reasonable in all the circumstances, and to it being treated as a matter of urgency.
- 2.** Such decisions are to be reported to the Council.

3. Urgent Key Decisions taken since the last meeting of Council

3.1 A list of key decisions requiring exemption from the call-in procedure that have been taken since the last meeting of Council is listed below.

Date	Subject	Reason for urgency	Decision Taken by	Approved by
16 November 2022	Approve capital expenditure of the refinancing of some of the historic development costs for the Mayfield development, in accordance with the priority returns set out in the Public Sector Agreement.	The expenditure will be funded from the Strategic Acquisitions budget. The Macdonald car park site is or strategic importance to the completion of the Mayfield development. In order to ensure that the transaction can go ahead the members of the partnership have agreed that partnership members will fund the expenditure in accordance with the priority returns, as set out in the Public Sector Partnership Agreement Under the terms of the agreement for the acquisition of the Macdonald car park, exchange is required to take place within 4 weeks of agreement of terms with completion within 4 weeks of exchange. An extension has already been secured to allow for the Council's governance procedures but any delay beyond the Executive meeting on 16th November could put the transaction in jeopardy. Not to secure the site would mean the potential loss of a key gateway site to the development Full details are contained within the Executive reports Part A and B of 16 November 2022	The Executive	Cllr Simcock (Chair of Resources and Governance Scrutiny Committee)
18 October 2022	Approval of delivery of Household Support Fund 3, spending £6.453m government Fund to	HSF3 runs from 1 October 2022 to 31 March 2023. Government confirmation of funding and of the scheme requirements were received on 30 September 2022. The timing of final government	Deputy Chief Executive and City Treasurer	Cllr Simcock (Chair of Resources and Governance

	<p>support households across Manchester impacted by the energy and cost of living crisis and to increase the revenue budget by that amount for the grant received.</p> <p>Funding was confirmed by the Department for Work and Pensions on 30 September 2022.</p>	<p>confirmation of the scheme means that if the scheme were to progress through the standard Key Decision process there would be a delay in the provision of critical support to Manchester residents.</p>		<p>Scrutiny Committee)</p>
<p>4 October 2022</p>	<p>To delegate to the Deputy Chief Executive and City Treasurer the authority to instruct the ballot holder to hold a Heart of Manchester BID (Business Improvement District) ballot</p>	<p>Confirmation of final ballot information delayed.</p>	<p>The Executive</p>	<p>Cllr Marcus Johns (Chair of Economy Scrutiny Committee)</p>
<p>16 November 2022</p>	<p>Approval to the Council's contribution as part of Mayfield Partnership through the public sector and private sector partnership arrangements associated with Mayfield to support the strategic acquisition of the Macdonald Hotel car park, Travis Street and the phase 1 development.</p>	<p>The expenditure will be funded from the Strategic Acquisitions budget. The Macdonald car park site is of strategic importance to the completion of the Mayfield development</p> <p>Under the terms of the agreement for the acquisition of the Macdonald car park, exchange is required to take place within 4 weeks of agreement of terms with completion within 4 weeks of exchange. An extension has already been secured</p>	<p>The Executive</p>	<p>Cllr Simcock (Chair of Resources and Governance Scrutiny Committee)</p>

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