

**Manchester City Council  
Report for Information**

**Report to:** Environment, Climate Change and Neighbourhoods Scrutiny  
Committee – 25 May 2023

**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
9 March 2023	ECCSC/23/22 Housing Retrofit	The Committee recommend that the Chair write to the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero. The purpose being to invite him to meet with the Committee to discuss the proposals for Manchester to decarbonise the city's housing stock, recognising the importance of this to address climate change and support residents during the cost-of-living crisis.	A letter of invitation was sent via email 10 March 2023.  A reply was received 29 March 2023 from the Secretary of State's Office declining this invitation.	Lee Walker Scrutiny Support Officer

## 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 **15 May 2023**, 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.

There are no Key Decisions currently listed within the remit of this Committee.

**Environment, Climate Change and Neighbourhoods Scrutiny Committee  
Work Programme – May 2023**

**Thursday 25 May 2023, 2pm (Report deadline Monday 15 May 2023)**

Item	Purpose	Lead Executive Member	Lead Officer	Comments
Manchester Climate Change Framework 2022 Update Progress Update	To receive an update on the implementation of the Manchester Climate Change Framework 2022 Update which was approved in September 2022.	Cllr Rawlins	Samantha Nicholson	
Carbon Reduction Procurement	To receive an update on the steps being taken on the Council's procurement to support carbon reduction.	Cllr Rawlins	Peter Schofield Mark Lever	
Consumption Based Emissions (including food)	To receive a report on the Council's consumption based emissions (Scope 3) and what action is being taken to reduce these. Scope 3 encompasses emissions that are not produced by the company itself, and not the result of activities from assets owned or controlled by them, but by those that it's indirectly responsible for, up and down its value chain.	Cllr Rawlins	Peter Schofield Mark Lever	
Final Report and Recommendations of the Climate Change Ward Action Plans Task and Finish Group	The Committee will receive the final report and recommendations of the Climate Change Ward Action Plans Task and Finish Group.	-	Lee Walker	
Overview Report	This is a monthly report, which includes the recommendations monitor, relevant key decisions, the	-	Lee Walker	

	Committee's work programme and any items for information.			
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**Thursday 22 June 2023, 2pm (Report deadline Monday 12 June 2023)**

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 2023/24.	Cllr Rawlins	Mark Duncan Sarah Henshall Gina Twigg	
Staff Business Travel and Active Travel Policy	To receive a report that provides information on staff active travel and the policy in relation to staff business travel.	Cllr Rawlins	Lauren Harwood	
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**Thursday 20 July 2023, 2pm (Report deadline Monday 10 July 2023)**

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	Cllr Rawlins	Mark Duncan Sarah Henshall Gina Twigg	

	residents, businesses and other key stakeholders.			
Local Area Energy Plan	To receive and comment upon the Manchester Local Area Energy Plan and progress made.	Cllr Rawlins	Becca Heron Phil Havenhand	
Integrated Water Management	The scope of this report is to be confirmed.	Cllr Rawlins	TBC	
Biodiversity Strategy	To provide an update on delivery of the Biodiversity Strategy including information on the findings of the open space audit.		Julie Roscoe Ducan McCorquodale	
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**Thursday 7 September 2023, 2pm (Report deadline Friday 25 August 2023)**

Item	Purpose	Lead Executive Member	Lead Officer	Comments
MCC Climate Change Action Plan 2022/23 Annual Report	To receive and comment upon the MCC Climate Change Action Plan 2022/23 Annual Report.	Cllr Rawlins	Mark Duncan Sarah Henshall Gina Twigg	
Housing Retrofit	This report will provide an update on the progress made since March 2023, describing the key achievements and planned activity in housing retrofit. This report will also incorporate an update on the Green Skills agenda.	Cllr White Cllr Hacking	David Lynch Martin Oldfield	Invitation to the Chair of the Economy Scrutiny Committee
Street Cleansing	To receive a report that considers the approach to	Cllr Igbon	Heather	

Update	street and pavement cleansing (i.e. litter and leaf fall) and an update on campaigns with Keep Britain Tidy. This will also include specific information on the approach to the cleansing of cycle lanes.		Coates Kevin Gilham	
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**Thursday 12 October 2023, 2pm (Report deadline Monday 2 October 2023)**

Item	Purpose	Lead Executive Member	Lead Officer	Comments
Manchester Climate Change Agency/ Partnership 2022/23 Annual Report	To receive and comment upon the Manchester Climate Change Agency 2022/23 Annual report.	Cllr Rawlins	Samantha Nicholson	
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	
Single Use Plastics	To receive and comment upon progress made on the Single Use Plastics work programme.	Cllr Rawlins	Peter Schofield Helen Harland	
A Cleaner, Greener Manchester	This report provides an update on progress in delivering waste, recycling, and street cleansing services, including the impact of the additional £1m	Cllr Igbon	Heather Coates	

	<p>budget.</p> <p>The Committee have specifically requested information in relation to the management and disposal of commercial waste and management of alleyways behind commercial properties where there are domestic dwellings above.</p> <p>Planning for the additional waste generated over the Christmas period (including information on Christmas trees and household waste recycling centres).</p> <p>An update on the engagement work to reduce fly tipping.</p>			
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**Thursday 9 November 2023, 2pm (Report deadline Monday 30 October 2023)**

Item	Purpose	Lead Executive Member	Lead Officer	Comments
Budget Proposals	In line with the Council budget planning process, to receive a report on the initial budget proposals for 2024/25.	Cllr Rawlins Cllr Igbon	Neil Fairlamb Carol Culley Paul Hindle	
Manchester Active Travel Strategy and Investment Plan (MATSIP)	To receive an update in the Manchester Active Travel Strategy and Investment Plan (MATSIP).	Cllr Rawlins	Becca Heron	



Vision Zero	To receive an update that describes Vision Zero and how this will be delivered. Vision Zero is a strategy to eliminate all traffic fatalities and severe injuries, while increasing safe, healthy, equitable mobility for all.	Cllr Rawlins	Phil Havenhand	
Planning Policy, Construction and Climate Change	To receive a report that considers how planning policy contributes to addressing climate change, with specific consideration of the emissions associated with the construction phase. This will include an update on the Local Plan and climate related issues.	Cllr White	Julie Roscoe	
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**Thursday 7 December 2023, 2pm (Report deadline Monday 27 November 2023)**

Item	Purpose	Lead Executive Member	Lead Officer	Comments
In Our Nature Progress Update	Update on the delivery of the £3.5m In Our Nature project.	Cllr Rawlins	Samantha Nicholson Shefali Kapoor	
Neighbourhood Teams Engagement with Residents	Update on the role of Neighbourhood Teams in engaging Manchester residents on Climate Change.	Cllr Igbon	Shefali Kapoor	
Climate Change Communications	Update on the Council's Communications Campaign.	Cllr Rawlins	Alun Ireland	

Embedding Carbon Literacy within the Council	To receive a progress report on the progress being made towards embedding a zero-carbon culture within the Council.	Cllr Rawlins	Suzanne Grimshaw	
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**Thursday 11 January 2024, 2pm (Report deadline Friday 29 December 2023)**

Item	Purpose	Lead Executive Member	Lead Officer	Comments
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	
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	
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**Thursday 8 February 2024, 2pm (Report deadline Monday 29 January 2024)**

Item	Purpose	Lead Executive Member	Lead Officer	Comments
Budget Proposals	To receive the final set of budget proposals that fall within the remit of the Committee prior to the Executive and Council.	Cllr Rawlins Cllr Igbon	Neil Fairlamb Carol Culley Paul Hindle	
Zero Carbon Culture	To receive a report that describes the progress the Council's Culture Team has made in responding to the climate emergency, and how the team is working in partnership with the cultural sector to support Manchester's progress towards its 2038 zero carbon target.	Cllr Rahman	Mark Duncan Sarah Elderkin	Invitation to the Chair of the Communities and Equalities Scrutiny Committee
Parks and Open Spaces – Parks Climate Change Action Plan	To receive an update on the delivery of Manchester's Parks Climate Change Action Plan.  Information has been requested on allotments be included.	Cllr Igbon	Kylie Ward	
Bereavement Services – Approach to Environmental Sustainability	To receive an update on Bereavement Services and the approach to environmental sustainability.	Cllr Igbon	Heather Coates	
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**Thursday 7 March 2024, 2pm (Report deadline Monday 26 February 2024)**

Item	Purpose	Lead Executive Member	Lead Officer	Comments
Green and Blue Infrastructure	Manchester Green and Blue Strategy and Implementation Plan, including annual update and a report on the Tree Action Plan.	Cllr Rawlins	Julie Roscoe	
Sustainable Food	Update on the Council's sustainable food policy and citywide action including relevant work of the Manchester Food Board.	Cllr Rawlins	David Houliston	
Housing Retrofit	This report will provide an update on the progress made since September 2023, describing the key achievements and planned activity in housing retrofit. This report will also incorporate an update on the Green Skills agenda.	Cllr White Cllr Hacking	David Lynch Martin Oldfield	Invitation to the Chair of the Economy Scrutiny Committee
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**Items to be scheduled**

Item	Purpose	Lead Executive Member	Lead Officer	Comments
The Approach To The Use Of Herbicides	To receive a report that discusses the approach to the use of herbicides (including glyphosate based treatments) in the city.	Cllr Igbon Cllr Rawlins	Neil Fairlamb	An item for information will be included in the November 2023

