

**Manchester City Council
Report for Information**

Report to: Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee – 6 September 2023

Subject: Overview Report

Report of: Governance and Scrutiny Support Unit

Summary

This report provides the following information:

- Recommendations Monitor
- Key Decisions
- 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.

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, responses to them, if they will be implemented, and if it will be, how this will be done.

Date	Item	Recommendation	Action	Contact Officer
9 October 2019	CYP/19/39 Skills for Life	To request that the Council work to ensure that, as far as possible, all settings are involved in Skills for Life, including independent schools, and that officers look into how Skills for Life could be incorporated into the contracts when Our Children are placed in non-Council-owned residential settings.	A response to this recommendation has been requested and will be reported back to the Committee via the Overview report.	Neil Fairlamb, Strategic Director (Neighbourhoods)
6 November 2019	CYP/19/48 Youth and Play Services - Young Manchester	To request that clear information on the availability of toilet facilities, for example, in park cafes, be included on signage in parks.	A response to this recommendation has been requested and will be reported back to the Committee via the Overview report.	Neil Fairlamb, Strategic Director (Neighbourhoods)
4 March 2020	CYP/20/16 Improving Children's Outcomes Through Collaboration and Working in Partnership in a Locality	To request further information on how the Manchester University NHS Foundation Trust is dealing with smoking around its hospital sites and to note that the Executive Member for Children and Schools will circulate a briefing note on work that is already taking place to address	A response to this recommendation has been requested and will be reported back to the Committee via the Overview report.	Paul Marshall, Strategic Director of Children and Education Services

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		smoking in pregnancy.		
22 July 2020	CYP/20/26 Manchester's Transformation Plan for Children and Young People's Mental Health and Wellbeing	To request that school governors be included in the plans for schools and that CAMHS and the support on offer be included on the agenda of a future Chair of Governors briefing.	A response to this recommendation has been requested and will be reported back to the Committee via the Overview report.	Amanda Corcoran, Director of Education
2 December 2020	CYP/20/51 Early Help Evaluation (2015 - 2020)	To ask officers to consider how Councillors could help with this work and to circulate a note to the Committee Members on this.	A response to this recommendation has been requested and will be circulated to Members.	Julie Heslop, Strategic Head of Early Help
2 December 2020	CYP/20/51 Early Help Evaluation (2015 - 2020)	To request that the Early Help Project Manager provide information on the number of families, in relation to the presentation slides on areas of the city and the sustainability of impacts.	A response to this recommendation has been requested and will be reported back to the Committee via the Overview report.	Ed Haygarth, Early Help Project Manager
9 February 2022	CYP/22/11 Annual Virtual School Head's Report	To arrange a visit to Wetherby Young Offender Institution and Barton Moss Secure Children's Home, in conjunction with the Communities and Equalities Scrutiny Committee.	A visit to Wetherby Young Offender Institution has been arranged for 11 September 2023.	Rachel McKeon, Governance and Scrutiny Support Officer
20 July 2022	CYP/22/36 The impact of COVID-19 on	To request data on the ethnicity and geographical spread of CAMHS referrals, in order to be	A response to this recommendation has been requested and will be circulated to Members.	Al Ford, Director of CAMHS/Rachel McKeon,

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	children and young people's mental health and well-being	able to identify any gaps.		Governance and Scrutiny Support Officer
21 June 2023	CYP/23/25 Update: Education Climate Change Action Plan 2022-24	To recommend that consideration be given to partnering schools with allotments and parks.	A response to this recommendation has been requested and will be reported back to the Committee via the Overview report.	Amanda Corcoran, Director of Education
19 July 2023	CYP/23/30 Youth Justice Business Plan 2023/24: Preventing and Diverting Children and Young People from the Criminal Justice System	That Unconscious Bias training be made available to Members.	A response to this recommendation will be reported back to the Committee via the Overview report.	Rachel McKeon, Governance and 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 **25 August 2023** 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.

Register of Key Decisions:

Subject / Decision	Decision Maker	Decision Due Date	Consultation	Background documents	Officer Contact
<p>Block Contract for the Provision of New Arrivals Hub for Unaccompanied Asylum-Seeking Children (Age 16+) (2023/06/08A)</p> <p>The appointment of Provider for New Arrivals Hub for Unaccompanied Asylum-Seeking Children (Age 16+)</p>	Strategic Director - Children and Education Services	Not before 8th Jul 2023		Report and recommendation	Sarah Austin, Strategic Lead - Commissioning sarah.austin@manchester.gov.uk

<p>Block Contract for the Provision of Supported Accommodation for Unaccompanied Asylum-Seeking Children (Age 16+) (2023/06/08B)</p> <p>The appointment of Provider for the Provision of Supported Accommodation for Unaccompanied Asylum-Seeking Children (Age 16+) up to 40 units</p>	<p>Strategic Director - Children and Education Services</p>	<p>Not before 8th Jul 2023</p>		<p>Report and recommendation</p>	<p>Sarah Austin, Strategic Lead - Commissioning sarah.austin@manchester.gov.uk</p>
<p>Take a breath - Residential accommodation (2023/07/06A)</p> <p>To implement a residential accommodation model to support hospital discharge and prevent hospital admission for children and young people.</p>	<p>Strategic Director - Children and Education Services</p>	<p>Not before 6th Aug 2023</p>		<p>Report and Recommendations</p>	<p>Sarah Austin, Strategic Lead - Commissioning sarah.austin@manchester.gov.uk</p>
<p>The Provision of a Manchester Sensory Support Service (2023/07/03A)</p> <p>The appointment of Provider for the Provision of a Manchester Sensory Support Service</p>	<p>Strategic Director - Children and Education Services</p>	<p>Not before 3rd Aug 2023</p>		<p>Report and Recommendation</p>	<p>Mike Worsley, Procurement Manager mike.worsley@manchester.gov.uk</p>

**Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee
Work Programme – September 2023**

Wednesday 6 September 2023, 10 am (Report deadline Thursday 24 August 2023)

Item	Purpose	Lead Executive Member	Strategic Director/ Lead Officer	Comments
School Places	To receive an update report on school places.	Councillor Bridges	Amanda Corcoran	
School Attendance	To receive an update report on school attendance. To include work taking place in relation to children who have not returned to school after the pandemic.	Councillor Bridges	Amanda Corcoran	See May 2023 minutes.
Inclusion	To receive a report on school inclusion, including an update on Alternative Provision.	Councillor Bridges	Amanda Corcoran	See December 2021 minutes
Overview Report	The monthly report includes the recommendations monitor, relevant key decisions, the Committee's work programme and any items for information.	-	Rachel McKeon	

Friday 13 October 2023, 10 am (Report deadline Tuesday 3 October 2023) **Please note the new meeting date******

Item	Purpose	Lead Executive Member	Strategic Director/ Lead Officer	Comments
Ghyll Head	To receive a report on Ghyll Head Outdoor Education and Activity Centre.	Councillor Bridges	Neil Fairlamb/ Yvonne O'Malley	
Youth, Play and	To receive an update report on Youth, Play and Participation.	Councillor Bridges	Neil Fairlamb/	

Participation			Neil MacInnes/ Jaffer Hussain	
Youth Investment Fund	To receive an update report on the Youth Investment Fund.	Councillor Bridges	Neil Fairlamb/ Neil MacInnes/ Jaffer Hussain	
Sufficiency	To receive a progress report, with a focus on supported accommodation registration with Ofsted.	Councillor Bridges	Paul Marshall/ Sean McKendrick	
Overview Report		-	Rachel McKeon	

Wednesday 8 November 2023, 10 am (Report deadline Friday 27 October 2023)

Item	Purpose	Lead Executive Member	Strategic Director/ Lead Officer	Comments
Update on mental health and wellbeing	To receive an update report on mental health and wellbeing, including support for schools and settings, and to invite a representative from Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS) to this meeting.	Councillor Bridges Councillor Midgley	Paul Marshall	See September 2021 minutes
Child-Friendly City Update	To receive an update on Manchester's work towards becoming a UNICEF UK Child-Friendly City, to include how staff are enabled to begin to understand and empathise with young people's lived experience, regarding race and equality and diversity.	Councillor Bridges	Paul Marshall	

School Attainment	To receive a report on school attainment.	Councillor Bridges	Amanda Corcoran	
Early Years Sufficiency	To receive a report on Early Years Sufficiency.	Councillor Bridges	Amanda Corcoran	To be confirmed. November or December.
Overview Report		-	Rachel McKeon	

Items To Be Scheduled

Item	Purpose	Executive Member	Strategic Director/ Lead Officer	Comments
Manchester Sensory Support Service Commission	To receive an update report at a future meeting.	Councillor Bridges	Amanda Corcoran	January 2024 (to be confirmed) See March 2022 minutes.
Adoption	To receive a report on adoption which includes what difference the move to Adoption Counts has made in providing stable adoption placements for Our Children and what happens when an adoption breaks down.	Councillor Bridges	Paul Marshall	See November 2021 minutes
School Streets	To receive a report on School Streets.	Councillor Bridges Councillor Rawlins	Amanda Corcoran	Invite Chair of the Environment, Climate Change and Neighbourhoods Scrutiny Committee
Independent Review of	To receive a report on the Independent Review of Children's Social Care.	Councillor Bridges	Paul Marshall	

Children's Social Care				
Domestic Abuse and Children	To receive a report on the impact of domestic abuse on children and the Safe and Together programme.	Councillor Bridges	Paul Marshall	See March 2023 minutes
Children and Young People's Plan 2020 - 2024	To receive an annual report on the progress of this work.	Councillor Bridges	Paul Marshall	See November 2020 minutes
Elective Home Education (EHE)	To receive a report on EHE. To include up-to-date figures on children who are not in school, including those whose parents have chosen EHE, with a breakdown by areas of the city.	Councillor Bridges	Amanda Corcoran	See January 2022 and October 2022 minutes
School Attendance and Attainment	To receive regular reports regarding attainment and attendance.	Councillor Bridges	Amanda Corcoran	
Personal Social Health and Economic (PSHE) Education	To receive a report on PSHE education in schools.	Councillor Bridges	Amanda Corcoran	
Post-16 EET Strategic Plan 2022-25	To receive a more detailed report, including utilising social value, changes in the number of places available at Manchester College, whether Manchester Adult Education Service (MAES) can be utilised more and information from the sufficiency report looking across the Greater Manchester area.	Councillor Bridges	Amanda Corcoran	See December 2022 minutes
Attainment	To request a more detailed report on how schools are progressing with work to address the impact of the pandemic on children's learning.	Councillor Bridges	Amanda Corcoran	See December 2022 minutes
Road Safety Around Schools	To consider a report on road safety around schools.	Councillor Rawlins Councillor	Kevin Gillham Amanda	To be confirmed See January 2023 minutes.

		Bridges	Corcoran	
Early Years and Health Visiting Service	To receive a further report at an appropriate time.	Councillor Bridges	Paul Marshall	See May 2023 minutes.
Supported Lodgings	To receive a report on supported lodgings becoming subject to regulation and the work taking place to prepare for this.	Councillor Bridges	Paul Marshall	See June 2023 minutes.