

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

**Report to:** Environment, Climate Change and Neighbourhoods Scrutiny  
Committee – 8 February 2024

**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.

There are no outstanding previous recommendations.

## 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 **29 January 2024** 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 – February 2024**

**Thursday 8 February 2024, 2pm (Report deadline Monday 29 January 2024)**

Item	Purpose	Lead Executive Member	Lead Officer	Comments
2024/25 Budget Proposals	Consideration of the final 2024/25 budget proposals within the remit of this Committee that will go onto February Budget Executive and Scrutiny and March Council.	Cllr Rawlins Cllr Igbon	Neil Fairlamb Carol Culley Paul Hindle	
Parks and Open Spaces – Parks Climate Change Action Plan	To receive an update on the delivery of Manchester’s Parks Climate Change Action Plan.	Cllr Igbon	Kylie Ward	
Park Strategy	To receive a report that provides an update on the refresh and delivery of the Parks Strategy, including an update on the programme of investment in Parks, commonly referred to as the Parks Development Programme (PDP).	Cllr Igbon	Neil Fairlamb	
Bereavement Services – Approach to Environmental Sustainability	To receive an update on Bereavement Services and the approach to environmental sustainability.	Cllr Igbon	Heather Coates	
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.	-	Lee Walker	

**Thursday 7 March 2024, 2pm (Report deadline Monday 26 February 2024)**

Item	Purpose	Lead Executive Member	Lead Officer	Comments
Green and Blue Infrastructure	To consider an update report on the Manchester Green and Blue Strategy and Implementation 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. This report will also provide information on the support offered to community groups to grow their own food.	Cllr Rawlins	David Houliston	
Allotments	To receive a report that provides information on the provision and management of allotments. This will include, but not restricted to the approach to the use of herbicides, water use / management, volunteers and equality and diversity.	Cllr Igbon	Neil Fairlamb	
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 and Regeneration Scrutiny Committee
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	This meeting date is TBC Invitation to the Chair of the Economy and Regeneration Scrutiny Committee
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### Items to be scheduled

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Scope 3 Emissions for the city	To receive a report that considers Scope 3 Emissions for the city. 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	Samantha Nicholson	
Electric Vehicle Charging Strategy - Update	Further to the report considered September 2023 to receive an update report on the implementation of the Electric Vehicle Charging Strategy.	Cllr Rawlins	Rebecca Heron Hayley Fails	