

**Manchester City Council
Report for Information**

Report to: Communities and Equalities Scrutiny Committee – 6 February 2024

Subject: Overview Report

Report of: Governance and Scrutiny Support Unit

Summary

This report provides the following information:

- Recommendations Monitor
- Key Decisions
- 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 lists 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.

Items highlighted in grey have been actioned and will be removed from future reports.

Date	Item	Recommendation	Action	Contact Officer
10 January 2023	CESC/23/05 Overview Report	To request that Committee Members be provided with a briefing note on the analysis of the information on Bonfire Night 2022, when this is available.	A response to this recommendation has been requested and will be circulated to Members.	Fiona Sharkey
20 June 2023	CESC/23/23 An update report on the Homelessness Service	That information on where leasing scheme properties will be located in the city be provided once available.	This information will be provided once available.	Nicola Rea
5 September 2023	CESC/23/36 Domestic Abuse and Safety of Women and Girls	That enquiries are made with GMCA regarding data on the time taken for domestic violence incidents to be dealt with by GMP.	Officers have emailed the member who proposed this recommendation to get clarity on the nature of the specific case described so that a response can then be obtained from the Detective Chief Inspector who leads on the vulnerability agenda for the City of Manchester Division.	Sam Stabler
10 October 2023	Review of the Homelessness Strategy, Information on Winter Provision and Equalities Data for the	Welcomes the Assistant Director of Homelessness' offer to provide data on call handler capacity and call waiting times within the Homelessness Service.	Awaiting confirmation that this information has been circulated.	Rob McCartney

	Homelessness Service			
10 October 2023	Building Stronger Communities Together Strategy 2023-26	That further information of the wards where the pilot activities will be tested and delivered be provided.	The detail on this is still being worked on and a workshop will be held to develop further as referenced in the report. Once confirmed, this information will be shared.	Shefali Kapoor Samiya Butt
7 November 2023	CESC/23/47 Community Safety Partnership Overview	That the next update on the Community Safety Partnership include detail on outcomes, deliverability of priorities and objectives and how this could be monitored going forward.	This will be incorporated into the next CSP update report.	Sam Stabler
7 November 2023	CESC/23/48 Serious Violence Update	That members be given clarification on which protected characteristics as listed under the Equality Act 2010 were likely to be disproportionately affected by serious violence, with figures and statistics.	Additional information was provided to members on 29 January 2024.	Sam Stabler
5 December 2023	CESC/23/53 Our Manchester Funds Programme Overview	The committee writes to the Chancellor of the Exchequer to express concerns about the possibility of HSF not being continued in 2024/25	The Chair has agreed not to progress with this recommendation as the Leader has already signed a letter to the government along with all other GM authorities.	Charlotte Lynch
5 December 2023	CESC/23/53 Our Manchester Funds Programme Overview	The committee requests more detail on the support provided by Conversation 2 Cash (C2C).	This information was provided to members by email on 8 January 2024.	Keiran Barnes

9 January 2024	CESC/24/4 Joint Targeted Area Inspection (JTAI) Youth Violence	The committee recommends that a glossary be created to provide further clarity on some of the work and organisations referenced in the action plan.	This was incorporated into the final report which went to Executive on 17 January 2024.	Paul Marshall
9 January 2024	CESC/24/4 Joint Targeted Area Inspection (JTAI) Youth Violence	The committee recommends that greater clarity on timescales for referrals to CAMHS be included in the action plan.	This was incorporated into the final report which went to Executive on 17 January 2024.	Paul Marshall
9 January 2024	CESC/24/4 Joint Targeted Area Inspection (JTAI) Youth Violence	The committee recommends that the action plan be amended to include detail on current and scheduled work to address the involvement of young girls in serious violence, crime and disorder and sexual exploitation.	This was incorporated into the final report which went to Executive on 17 January 2024.	Paul Marshall

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 below. This is to keep members informed of what decisions are being taken and, where appropriate, include in the work programme of the Committee.

Subject / Decision	Decision Maker	Decision Due Date	Consultation	Background documents	Officer Contact
Neighbourhoods					
<p>Award of contract for the delivery of event services (2023/10/10A)</p> <p>To agree the awarding of contract in relation to event services</p>	<p>City Treasurer (Deputy Chief Executive)</p>	<p>Not before 21st Nov 2023</p>		<p>Part B report as decision will be commercially sensitive</p>	<p>John Rooney, Director of Neighbourhood Delivery john.rooney@manchester.gov.uk</p>
<p>ASB Policy and Procedure (2023/11/20A)</p> <p>Decision to update the ASB Policy and Procedure for the Council</p>	<p>Strategic Director (Neighbourhoods)</p>	<p>Not before 20th Dec 2023</p>		<p>Proposed ASB Policy and Procedure, details of changes to existing policy and procedure.</p>	<p>Sam Stabler, Strategic Lead (Community Safety) samantha.stabler@manchester.gov.uk</p>
<p>Serious Violence Strategy (2023/12/18A)</p> <p>Agree the Serious Violence Strategy for the Council.</p>	<p>Executive</p>	<p>14 Feb 2024</p>		<p>Serious Violence Strategy</p>	<p>Sam Stabler, Strategic Lead (Community Safety) samantha.stabler@manchester.gov.uk</p>

**Communities and Equalities Scrutiny Committee
Work Programme – February 2024**

Tuesday 6 February 2024, 2.00 pm (Report deadline Thursday 25 January 2024)

Item	Purpose	Executive Member	Strategic Director/ Lead Officer	Comments
Manchester Sport and Physical Activity Strategy	To request a further report including place-based activity across the wards, comparison of different areas of the city, coaching opportunities, the impact of the cost-of-living rise, work to engage people with different protected characteristics, including women, and providing activities to engage young people.	Councillor Hacking	Neil Fairlamb	See minutes of the meeting on 6 September 2022.
Public Sector Equality Duty	To receive an update on the Council's activities to demonstrate compliance with the Public Sector Equality Duty. To include detail on what has worked well and lessons learnt/areas for improvement to drive objectives forward. To also include information on pre- and post-pandemic work.	Councillor Midgley	Fiona Ledden Sharmila Kar	
MCC's Equality Objectives 2024-2028	To receive a report on the development of MCC's Equality Objectives for 2024-2028.	Councillor Midgley	Fiona Ledden Sharmila Kar	
Community Events	To receive an update on Community Events for 2023/24 and all CEF-funded events, including how these meet the criteria for funding, their reach and location, and whether these are recurring events.	Councillor Hacking Councillor Igbon	Mike Parrott	See July 2023 minutes.
2024-25 Budget	To receive a report outlining the budget position for 2024/25 and progress in reaching a balanced	Councillor Akbar	Carol Culley Neil Fairlamb	

	budget, including preliminary savings and investment options.	Councillor Rahman Councillor Midgley Councillor Hacking		
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Tuesday 5 March 2024, 2.00 pm (Report deadline Thursday 22 February 2024)

Item	Purpose	Executive Member	Strategic Director/ Lead Officer	Comments
Digital Exclusion	To receive a further report on digital exclusion, including financial exclusion.	Councillor Hacking	Neil Fairlamb Neil MacInnes	See March 2023 minutes
Libraries and Archives Report	To receive an update report on Libraries and Archives.	Councillor Hacking	Neil Fairlamb Neil MacInnes	
Making Manchester Fairer	To receive a report on the themes of communities and power and systemic and structural racism and discrimination.	Councillor Midgley	Fiona Ledden Sharmila Kar	
Manchester Indoor Built Facility Strategy Update	To receive an update on the work of the Manchester Indoor Built Facility Strategy.	Councillor Hacking	Yvonne O'Malley	
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Items To Be Scheduled

Item	Purpose	Executive Member	Strategic Director/ Lead Officer	Comments
Prevent/Radequal	This report sets out our response to the National Prevent Review. To include information on the radicalisation of teenage boys by the far right, and the influence of figures such as Andrew Tate.	Councillor Rahman	Neil Fairlamb Fiona Sharkey Sam Stabler	
Support for People Leaving Prison	To include information on changes to probation services, provision and geographical spread of accommodation for prison-leavers, how ex-prisoners are re-integrated into society and links with homelessness.	Councillor Akbar Councillor Rahman	Neil Fairlamb Sam Stabler Dave Ashmore	To be scheduled for May 2024.
Advice Services Update	To receive an update report.	Councillor Midgley	Dave Ashmore Nicola Rea	See minutes of the meeting on 10 January 2023.
Migration	To receive a further report at an appropriate time.	Councillor Midgley	Dave Ashmore Nicola Rea	See May 2023 minutes.
Safety of Women and Girls	To receive a report on the safety of women and girls, including the work and projects being undertaken to promote this across the city and how these are funded.	Councillor Midgley	Sam Stabler	See September 2023 minutes.
Building Stronger Communities Together Strategy 2023-26 Action Plans	To receive a report on the development of action plans arising from the Building Stronger Communities Together Strategy 2023-26, 6 months on from the October 2023 meeting.	Councillor Midgley	Shefali Kapoor Fiona Sharkey Samiya Butt	See October 2023 minutes. To be considered around May/June 2024.
Building Stronger Communities Together Strategy 2023-26 Update	To receive a report that provides a 12-month update on progress of the Building Stronger Communities Together Strategy 2023-26.	Councillor Midgley	Shefali Kapoor Fiona Sharkey Samiya Butt	See October 2023 minutes.

				To be considered around October 2024.
Sanctuary Scheme	To receive a report on the Sanctuary Scheme and the work undertaken to address the increase in the number of BAME people presenting as homeless due to domestic violence.	Councillor Midgley	Rob McCartney Nicola Rea	See October 2023 minutes.
Age Friendly Manchester Strategy Delivery Plan Progress Update	To receive a progress update on the work of the Age Friendly Manchester Strategy Delivery Plan, 6 months on from the last update.	Councillor Midgley	David Regan Barry Gillespie Naomi Davies	To be considered in June 2024. See December 2023 minutes.
Update on recommendations made by the Crime and Antisocial Behaviour Task and Finish Group	To receive a response on recommendations made by the Crime and Antisocial Behaviour Task and Finish Group, including whether these recommendations are accepted or rejected, and progress made to implement accepted recommendations.	Councillor Rahman	Sam Stabler Sara Duckett	To be considered in May 2024. See December 2023 minutes.