

**Manchester City Council  
Report for Information**

**Report to:** Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee – 22 May 2024

**Subject:** Overview Report

**Report of:** Governance and Scrutiny Support Unit

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**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.

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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 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
20 July 2022	CYP/22/36 The impact of COVID-19 on children and young people's mental health and well-being	To request data on the ethnicity and geographical spread of CAMHS referrals, in order to be able to identify any gaps.	A response to this recommendation has been requested and will be circulated to Members.	Al Ford, Director of CAMHS/Rachel McKeon, Governance and Scrutiny Support Officer
21 June 2023	CYP/23/25 Update:	To recommend that consideration be given to	A response to this recommendation has been requested and will be reported	Amanda Corcoran, Director of

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	Education Climate Change Action Plan 2022-24	partnering schools with allotments and parks.	back to the Committee via the Overview report.	Education

## 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 **13 May 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.

## Register of Key Decisions:

Subject / Decision	Decision Maker	Decision Due Date	Consultation	Background documents	Officer Contact
<p><b>Take a breath - Residential accommodation (2023/07/06A)</b></p> <p>To implement a residential accommodation model to support hospital discharge and prevent hospital admission for children and young people.</p>	Strategic Director - Children and Education Services	Not before 6th Aug 2023		Report and Recommendations	Sarah Austin, Strategic Lead - Commissioning sarah.austin@manchester.gov.uk
<p><b>School Attendance and Attainment Monitoring Data Collection Service for Children and Young People (2024/03/07A)</b></p> <p>School Attendance and Attainment Monitoring Data Collection Service for Children and Young People</p>	Strategic Director - Children and Education Services	Not before 7th Apr 2024		Report & Recommendation	Mike Worsley, Procurement Manager mike.worsley@manchester.gov.uk

**Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee  
Work Programme – May 2024**

**Wednesday 22 May 2024, 10 am (Report deadline Friday 10 May 2024)**

<b>Item</b>	<b>Purpose</b>	<b>Lead Executive Member</b>	<b>Strategic Director/ Lead Officer</b>	<b>Comments</b>
Youth Investment Fund	To receive a verbal update on the Youth Investment Fund.	Councillor Bridges	Neil Fairlamb	
Corporate Parenting Co-operative Strategy	To receive a report on the Corporate Parenting Co-operative Strategy.	Councillor Bridges	Paul Marshall/ Emma Collingwood /Kate Rose	
Re-establishment of the Ofsted Subgroup	The report seeks the Committee's approval to re-establish the Ofsted Subgroup for the 2024/25 municipal year.		Rachel McKeon	
Overview Report	The monthly report includes the recommendations monitor, relevant key decisions, the Committee's work programme and any items for information.	-	Rachel McKeon	
Annual Work Programming Session	The meeting will close for the annual work programming session where members determine the work programme for the forthcoming year. To follow a presentation from the Director/Lead Officers on upcoming issues and challenges within the Committee's remit.		Paul Marshall/ Amanda Corcoran/ Sean McKendrick/ Rachel McKeon	

**Wednesday 26 June 2024, 10 am (Report deadline Friday 14 June 2024)**

<b>Item</b>	<b>Purpose</b>	<b>Lead Executive Member</b>	<b>Strategic Director/ Lead Officer</b>	<b>Comments</b>
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 Invite Chair of the Communities and Equalities Scrutiny Committee
Children and Young People's Plan 2020 - 2024	To receive a report on the progress of this work.	Councillor Bridges	Paul Marshall	See November 2020 minutes
Kinship Carers	To receive a report on Kinship Carers.	Councillor Bridges	Paul Marshall	See February 2024 minutes
Children's Services – Proxy Indicators	To receive a report which provides proxy indicators on progress to improve children's services.	Councillor Bridges	Paul Marshall/ Sean McKendrick	
Overview Report		-	Rachel McKeon	

**Wednesday 17 July 2024, 10 am (Report deadline Friday 5 July 2024)**

<b>Item</b>	<b>Purpose</b>	<b>Lead Executive Member</b>	<b>Strategic Director/ Lead Officer</b>	<b>Comments</b>
A new Our Manchester Strategy	To receive a report on the outcomes and emerging messages from the consultation and public engagement on the new Our Manchester Strategy, focused on the areas within the remit of this Committee.	Councillor Craig	James Binks/ Peter Norris	
Education Climate Change Action Plan	To receive an update on progress of the Education Climate Change Action Plan.	Councillor Bridges	Amanda Corcoran	Invite the Chair of the Environment, Climate Change and Neighbourhoods Scrutiny Committee
School Attendance and Attainment	To receive regular reports regarding attainment and attendance.	Councillor Bridges	Amanda Corcoran	
Overview Report		-	Rachel McKeon	

**Items To Be Scheduled**

<b>Item</b>	<b>Purpose</b>	<b>Executive Member</b>	<b>Strategic Director/ Lead Officer</b>	<b>Comments</b>
A new Our Manchester Strategy	To receive the draft Our Manchester Strategy 2025-2035.	Councillor Craig	James Binks/ Peter Norris	October 2024
School Streets	To receive a report on School Streets.	Councillor	Amanda	Invite Chair of the



		Bridges Councillor Rawlins	Corcoran	Environment, Climate Change and Neighbourhoods Scrutiny Committee
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	
Road Safety Around Schools	To consider a report on road safety around schools.	Councillor Rawlins Councillor Bridges	Kevin Gillham Amanda Corcoran	To be confirmed See January 2023 minutes
Reinforced Autoclaved Aerated Concrete (RAAC) in Schools	To receive an update at a future meeting.	Councillor Bridges	Amanda Corcoran	See September 2023 minutes
Youth Justice	To receive a further report on Youth Justice.	Councillor Bridges	Paul Marshall	
Post-16 Education Employment Training	To receive a further update and to invite a representative of Career Connect to attend the meeting.	Councillor Hacking	Amanda Corcoran	See December 2023 minutes

Strategic Plan 2022- 25 - Progress Update				
Early Years and the COVID-19 pandemic	To consider a report on Early Years development and the progress of the cohort of young children affected by the pandemic. To also include Health Visiting and sufficiency of Early Years places.	Councillor Bridges	Amanda Corcoran	See May 2023, January 2024 and February 2024 minutes
Special Educational Needs and Disability (SEND)	To receive a report on work taking place to provide improved options, in both mainstream and special schools, for children with SEND.	Councillor Bridges	Amanda Corcoran	See February 2024 minutes
Stable Homes, Built on Love	To receive further update reports on progress for each specific area of reform: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Championing Kinship Care</li> <li>• Children Social Care National Framework</li> <li>• Working Together to Safeguard Children 2023</li> <li>• Digital and Data Strategy</li> </ul>	Councillor Bridges	Paul Marshall	See February 2024 minutes
Children's Services Workforce Development Strategy	To receive a report on the Children's Services Workforce Development Strategy.	Councillor Bridges	Paul Marshall	See February 2024 minutes Invite the Chair of the Resources and Governance Scrutiny Committee