

**Manchester City Council  
Report for Information**

**Report to:** Resources and Governance Scrutiny Committee – 7 January 2020  
Health Scrutiny Committee – 7 January 2020  
Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee – 8 January 2020  
Neighbourhoods and Environment Scrutiny Committee – 8 January 2020  
Economy Scrutiny Committee – 9 January 2020  
Communities and Equalities Scrutiny Committee – 9 January 2020

**Subject:** Council Business Plan 2020/21

**Report of:** Chief Executive

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### Summary

This report presents the draft Council Business Plan for 2020/21.

### Recommendations

It is recommended that Scrutiny Committee members consider the content of this report and comment on challenges, priorities and opportunities. The plan will be considered by Executive in February.

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**Wards Affected:** All

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**Environmental Impact Assessment** - the impact of the issues addressed in this report on achieving the zero-carbon target for the city

This paper proposes the inclusion of an additional Corporate Plan priority - 'Zero Carbon Manchester' to reflect the city's zero carbon ambitions and declaration of the climate emergency. The plan therefore ensures specific organisational focus on activity driving this priority and therefore achieving the zero-carbon target for the city.

| <b>Manchester Strategy Outcomes</b>   | <b>Summary of the Contribution to the Strategy</b>  |
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| A thriving and sustainable city: supporting a diverse and distinctive economy that creates jobs and opportunities | Our Corporate Plan describes the Council's contribution over the next 2-3 years to delivering.  |
| A highly skilled city: world class and home grown talent sustaining the city's economic success                   | Our Council Business Plan 2020-21 describes in more detail the action we are taking to deliver our Corporate Plan in 2020-21 and as such makes contributions to all of the Our Manchester Strategy outcomes |

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| A progressive and equitable city: making a positive contribution by unlocking the potential of our communities |  |
| A liveable and low carbon city: a destination of choice to live, visit, work                                   |  |
| A connected city: world class infrastructure and connectivity to drive growth                                  |  |

**Full details are in the body of the report, along with implications for:**

- Equal Opportunities
- Risk Management
- Legal Considerations

### **Financial Consequences for the Capital and Revenue Budgets**

The proposals set out in this report are to be read in conjunction with papers forming part of the preparation of the Council's draft revenue and capital budget for 2020/21 to be reported to the Executive for approval in February 2020.

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## **1. Introduction**

- 1.1. The purpose of this report is to present the draft Council Business Plan 2020-21 to Scrutiny Committees for comment. The Plan is attached to this report at Appendix 1.
- 1.2. Our Corporate Plan sets out the Council's priorities for the next 2-3 years which will deliver the three-way push and contribute to our vision for the city. Our Council Business Plan 2020-21 describes in more detail the action we are taking to deliver our corporate plan this year. It is supported by our wider strategic framework including our People Strategy and our ICT Strategy.
- 1.3. The document is currently in draft and will be updated following feedback from Scrutiny Committee. Any substantive changes made to the budget will also be reflected in the final version of this plan
- 1.4. In addition, further work on alignment with the refresh of the Our People Strategy and ICT Strategy will take place once those strategies are drafted and presented to Resources and Governance Overview and Scrutiny Committee in February.

## **2. Background**

- 2.1. Our Council Business Plan replaces individual directorate business plans produced previously. This plan is structured around the eight priority themes and has been produced following the development of 41 service plans which describe in more detail the achievements, priorities and activities of the 41 services which collectively make up Manchester City Council.
- 2.2. Each priority theme section describes:
  - The priority theme, including key strategies and plans which are helping to drive deliver
  - Our key achievements driving delivery of this priority theme in the last year
  - Our planned activities and initiatives across council services which will drive delivery of the priority theme in 2020-21
  - The key measures which will help us to understand if we have been successful
- 2.3. This plan does not refer in detail to the Council's budget position for 2020-21 which is described in individual budget plans for each of the Council's directorates.
- 2.4. The plan also describes the Council's key workforce and technology considerations for 2020-21 as key enablers to delivering our Corporate Plan. Equalities implications are also described as well as our approach to risk management.