

**Manchester City Council
Report for Resolution**

Report to: Economy Scrutiny Committee – 20 June 2019

Subject: Re-establishment of the District Centres Subgroup

Report of: Governance and Scrutiny Support Unit

Summary

This report provides the Committee with the terms of reference for the District Centres Subgroup which the Committee is asked to agree. The report also includes the current work programme for the Subgroup.

Recommendations

The Committee is asked to re-establish the District Centres Subgroup for the municipal year 2019-2020. The Committee is invited to:

1. Agree the terms of reference for the Subgroup.
 2. Agree the work programme of the Subgroup, which will be reviewed by the group at each of its meetings.
 3. Agree the membership of the Subgroup.
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Background documents (available for public inspection):

None

Appendices

1. District Centres Subgroup Terms of Reference
2. District Centres Subgroup work programme

1.0 Background

- 1.1 At its meeting on 30 September 2015, the Economy Scrutiny Committee considered a report about the changing role of district centres in Manchester and the potential policy and strategy measures which could be adopted to shape the future of the city's centres. Members agreed that they wanted to see more detailed work and a strategic approach on district centres. They recommended that the Council produce an overarching strategy for district centres and agreed to establish a subgroup to contribute to and review this work.
- 1.2 The remit of the Subgroup was approved by the Committee in January 2016 and the Subgroup was subsequently re-established for the 2016-2017, 2017-2018 and 2018-2019 municipal years.
- 1.3 It is proposed to re-establish the Subgroup for the 2019-2020 municipal year so that the Subgroup can continue to monitor and contribute to the ongoing work on district centres, which is being carried out in partnership with the Institute of Place Management.

2.0 Conclusion

- 2.1 The Committee is asked to agree or amend the terms of reference as set out in the report at Appendix 1.
- 2.2 The Committee is asked to agree or amend the work programme as set out in the report at Appendix 2.
- 2.3 The Committee is also asked to agree the membership of the Subgroup.