

COVID-19 IN SUNDERLAND - UPDATE

**REPORT OF EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND INTEGRATED
COMMISSIONING AND SUNDERLAND CLINICAL COMMISSIONING GROUP**

1. PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

- 1.1 To provide the Health and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee with an update on the Covid-19 pandemic in Sunderland.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 A number of key health partners and officers have throughout 2020 - 2022 provided the committee with the latest information and position related to the risks and recovery from the Covid-19 pandemic in Sunderland.
- 2.2 This has been a major focus for the Health and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee and has remained a key feature of the committee's work programme throughout the pandemic.

3. CURRENT POSITION

- 3.1 As the last remaining Covid-19 legal restrictions are removed in England, including the requirement to self-isolate the latest update provides Members with up-to-date information on infection rates, learning to live with Covid plans, the vaccination and booster programmes, hospital numbers and the roadmap to recovery.
- 3.2 The update is extremely comprehensive and will be provided as follows:

Public Health (Executive Director of Public Health & Integrated Commissioning) – an update on the latest public health developments, the move away from restrictions and learning to live with Covid in Sunderland.

Sunderland CCG Update – the latest information from the Clinical Commissioning Group in relation to the vaccine programme, booster jabs and other current Covid-19 related activities and measures for recovery.
- 3.3 Due to the ongoing nature of the Covid-19 situation Members should be aware that a number of the updates will be verbal with presentations forwarded to Members nearer to the time of the meeting to ensure the information provided reflects the most up-to-date position.
- 3.4 In terms of future reporting, and as we learn to live with Covid-19, the Committee will look to give consideration to the frequency and level of reporting required in

the new municipal year. This will be as part of its work programming session and informed by advice from Public Health colleagues.

4. RECOMMENDATION

- 4.1 The Health and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee is recommended to receive the verbal update and reports on the Covid-19 pandemic and comment on the information provided.

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