

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 ongoing update on the Covid-19 pandemic, in Sunderland.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 A number of key health partners and officers have throughout 2020/2021 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 remains a key feature of the committee's work programme as Sunderland, and the United Kingdom as a whole, continues to tackle the pandemic.

3. CURRENT POSITION

- 3.1 The Covid-19 pandemic continues to create challenges across all health and social care services and remains a constantly changing situation. The latest updates will provide Members with up-to-date information on infection rates, spread of the Omicron variant, 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, measures and restrictions in relation to Covid-19 across the City, including the Omicron variant.

Sunderland CCG Update – the latest information from the Clinical Commissioning Group in relation to the vaccine programme, booster jabs and other current Covid-19 activity and recovery.

- 3.3 Due to the ongoing and constantly evolving 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 latest position in terms of the pandemic.

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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