HEALTH AND WELLBEING SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

COVID-19 IN SUNDERLAND - UPDATE

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND INTEGRATED COMMISSIONING, SUNDERLAND CLINICAL COMMISSIONING GROUP AND SOUTH TYNESIDE AND SUNDERLAND NHS FOUNDATION TRUST

1. PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

1.1 To provide the Health and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee with the latest update on Covid-19, including recovery, in Sunderland.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 A number of key health partners and officers have throughout 2020/2021 provided the committee with an ongoing update of the latest position and information related to the risks and recovery from the Covid-19 pandemic in Sunderland.
- 2.2 This has been a key focus for the Health and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee and will continue to feature as part of the committee's work programme as Sunderland, and England as a whole, moves to a more open society through the removal of the majority of social restrictions set out by the Government.

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, the vaccination programme, 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 in relation to Covid-19 across the City.

City Hospitals South Tyneside and Sunderland – an update from the NHS Foundation Trust on admission rates (including age profiles), current capacity and how this compares to other stages of the pandemic

Sunderland CCG Update – the latest information from the Clinical Commissioning Group in relation to the vaccine programme 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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