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NOTICE OF MEETING

Meeting Hampshire Local Outbreak Engagement Board

Date and Time Tuesday, 7th December, 2021 at 2.00 pm

Place Chute Room, Ell Court, Winchester

Enquiries to members.services@hants.gov.uk

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AGENDA

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To receive any apologies for absence.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

All Members who believe they have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest in any matter to be considered at the meeting must declare that interest and, having regard to the circumstances described in Part 3 Paragraph 1.5 of the County Council's Members' Code of Conduct, leave the meeting while the matter is discussed, save for exercising any right to speak in accordance with Paragraph 1.6 of the Code. Furthermore all Members with a Non-Pecuniary interest in a matter being considered at the meeting should consider whether such interest should be declared, and having regard to Part 5, Paragraph 2 of the Code, consider whether it is appropriate to leave the meeting while the matter is discussed, save for exercising any right to speak in accordance with the Code.

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING (Pages 3 - 4)

To confirm the minutes of the previous meeting

4. **DEPUTATIONS**

To receive any deputations notified under Standing Order 12.

5. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

To receive any announcements the Chairman may wish to make.

6. OUTBREAK CONTROL POSITION REPORT (Pages 5 - 8)

To receive a report from the Director of Public Health on the current situation and up to date data.

7. ACTIONS OF THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH

To receive an update from the Director of Public Health on actions taken and powers that have been used.

8. COMMUNICATION ENGAGEMENT UPDATE

To receive an update on community engagement and messaging, including communication with communities and district councils.

ABOUT THIS AGENDA:

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County Councillors attending as appointed members of this Committee or by virtue of Standing Order 18.5; or with the concurrence of the Chairman in connection with their duties as members of the Council or as a local County Councillor qualify for travelling expenses.

Agenda Item 3

AT A MEETING of the Hampshire Local Outbreak Engagement Board of HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL held at the Castle, Winchester on Tuesday, 12th October, 2021

> Chairman: * Councillor Keith Mans

* Councillor Roz Chadd

* Councillor Liz Fairhurst

Councillor Rob Humby Councillor Keith House

Also present with the agreement of the Chairman: Councillor Ken Rhatigan Laura Taylor Councillor Fran Carpenter

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Councillors Humby and House.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members were mindful that where they believed they had a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest in any matter considered at the meeting they must declare that interest at the time of the relevant debate and, having regard to the circumstances described in Part 3, Paragraph 1.5 of the County Council's Members' Code of Conduct, leave the meeting while the matter was discussed, save for exercising any right to speak in accordance with Paragraph 1.6 of the Code. Furthermore Members were mindful that where they believed they had a Non-Pecuniary interest in a matter being considered at the meeting they considered whether such interest should be declared, and having regard to Part 5, Paragraph 2 of the Code, considered whether it was appropriate to leave the meeting whilst the matter was discussed, save for exercising any right to speak in accordance with the Code.

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the last meeting were reviewed and agreed

4. **DEPUTATIONS**

No requests to make a deputation had been received.

5. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chairman had no announcements on this occasion.

6. OUTBREAK CONTROL POSITION REPORT

The Board received an update from the Director of Public Health setting out the current position in terms of infection rates and hospitalisations within Hampshire.

Differences between areas of the County and between demographic groups were highlighted and it was noted that the highest rates of infection were amongst younger people. Positive progress on the roll-out of the vaccine was recognised and the Board discussed how information about its roll-out to children over 12 could be promoted.

The position on both symptomatic and asymptomatic testing was set out and the Board discussed the challenge that winter and the usual additional pressures on the health system would bring. It was confirmed that preparations were in place should the government introduce "plan B".

It was resolved to note the update.

7. ACTIONS OF THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH

On this occasion the actions of the Director of Public Health were incorporated into the Outbreak Control Position Report.

8. LOCAL OUTBREAK MANAGEMENT PLAN

The Board received and noted the Local Outbreak Management Plan.

9. COMMUNICATION ENGAGEMENT UPDATE

The Board received an update on communication activity relating to the pandemic, in particular the social media campaigns. The difficulty of keeping the messaging fresh was recognised and the Board agreed that the focus should be on the key points in order that people had the information needed to make good choices for the benefit of the whole community. Members discussed the importance of engaging with all demographic groups to achieve a wide spread and it was noted that partners such as the Fire and Rescue Service could assist with this.

It was resolved to note the communications update.

Chairman,

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Report

Committee:	Hampshire Local Outbreak Engagement Board	
Date:	7 December 2021	
Title:	Outbreak Control Position Report	
Report From:	Director of Public Health	
Contact name: Simon Bryant		

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Purpose of this Report

- 1. The purpose of this report is to provide an update on the current situation and up-to-date data. Please note that a supplementary appendix containing the latest data will be published shortly before the meeting.
- 2. Link to the data can be found here: <u>https://documents.hants.gov.uk/corprhantsweb/Covid19/Keep-Hampshire-Safe-Infographic.pdf</u>

Recommendation

3. To note the current data and implications.

REQUIRED CORPORATE AND LEGAL INFORMATION:

Links to the Strategic Plan

Hampshire maintains strong and sustainable economic growth and prosperity:	Yes
People in Hampshire live safe, healthy and independent lives:	Yes
People in Hampshire enjoy a rich and diverse environment:	Yes
People in Hampshire enjoy being part of strong, inclusive communities:	Yes

Other Significant Links

Links to previous Member decisions:		
Title	Date	
Direct links to specific legislation or Government Directives		
Title	<u>Date</u>	
COVID-19 Recovery Strategy	June 2020	

Section 100 D - Local Government Act 1972 - background documents

The following documents discuss facts or matters on which this report, or an important part of it, is based and have been relied upon to a material extent in the preparation of this report. (NB: the list excludes published works and any documents which disclose exempt or confidential information as defined in the Act.)

<u>Document</u>	Location
None	

EQUALITIES IMPACT ASSESSMENT:

1. Equality Duty

The County Council has a duty under Section 149 of the Equality Act 2010 ('the Act') to have due regard in the exercise of its functions to the need to:

- Eliminate discrimination, harassment and victimisation and any other conduct prohibited by or under the Act with regard to the protected characteristics as set out in section 4 of the Act (age, disability, gender reassignment, marriage and civil partnership, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex and sexual orientation);
- Advance equality of opportunity between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic within section 149(7) of the Act (age, disability, gender reassignment, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex and sexual orientation) and those who do not share it;
- Foster good relations between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic within section 149(7) of the Act (see above) and persons who do not share it.

Due regard in this context involves having due regard in particular to:

- The need to remove or minimise disadvantages suffered by persons sharing a relevant protected characteristic that are connected to that characteristic;
- Take steps to meet the needs of persons sharing a relevant protected characteristic that are different from the needs of persons who do not share it;
- Encourage persons sharing a relevant protected characteristic to participate in public life or in any other activity in which participation by such persons is disproportionally low.

2. Equalities Impact Assessment:

2.1 This paper does not contain any proposals for major service changes which may have an equalities impact other than to improve outcomes and manage the pandemic.

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