

Trafford Covid-19 Public Engagement Board

Wednesday 16th June 2021 – 10:00 a.m. – Virtual meeting

Present:

Councillor Freeman (Chair)	Executive Member for Covid-19 Recovery and Reform
Councillor Newgrosh	Leader of the Liberal Democrats Group, Trafford Council
Councillor Acton	Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee, Trafford Council
Councillor Lloyd	Member of the Health Scrutiny Committee, Trafford Council
Councillor Cordingley	Member of the Health Scrutiny Committee, Trafford Council
Councillor Welton	Ward Councillor, Green Party Group
Councillor Blackburn	Shadow Executive Member for Health, Wellbeing, and Equalities
Eleanor Roaf	Director of Public Health, Trafford Council
Khan Moghal	Chair, Voice of BME Trafford
George Devlin	Lay Member for Patient and Public Participation, Trafford CCG
Andrew Latham	Chief Officer, HealthWatch Trafford
Ben Wilmott	Covid-19 Senior Project Manager, Trafford Council
Ellie Caddick	Covid-19 Communications Lead, Trafford Council
Nigel Smith	Head of Regulatory Services, Trafford Council
Rebecca Demaine	Associate Director of Commissioning – Primary Care, Trafford CCG
Helen Gollins	Consultant in Public Health, Trafford Council
Kirsty Johnson	Covid-19 Project Manager, Trafford Council
Molly Shaw	Governance Services, Trafford Council
Alexander Murray	Governance Officer, Trafford Council

	Item	Decision / Action	Key Person for Action
1.	Welcome and apologies	Apologies were noted from Helen Grant, Jilla Burgess-Allen, Caroline Hemmingway, Joanne Gibson, Thomas Maloney, Michelle Hill, Sara Radcliffe, Shaun Donnellan, Councillor Chilton and Councillor Akinola.	
2.	Minutes	The minutes of the meeting 2 nd June 2021 were agreed as an accurate record.	
3.	Membership	There had been no changes to the Membership since the last meeting.	
4.	Update on the current Covid-19 situation in Trafford	<p>The Board agreed to note the update.</p> <p>The following messages were shared with the Board:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The rates across Trafford and Greater Manchester are still rising; 2. All 10 boroughs in Greater Manchester are in the top 20 highest rates in England; 3. The rates in the older population are substantially lower than in the younger population but still worrying when compared with the vaccination figures; 	All

		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. The rates are highest in 17-21 year olds and younger people need to be aware of the significant risk of long Covid which is more prevalent in young people; 5. Ensure to take additional care even if vaccinated by avoiding crowded places, keeping outdoors and tracking how many people you're in contact with. 	
5.	National Announcement Regarding Covid-19 Restrictions	<p>The Board agreed to note the update.</p> <p>The following messages were shared with the Board:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Restrictions are continuing until 19th July; 2. Manchester is going to be an “enhanced response area” with a 10 point plan from the Government covering areas that need additional support. 	
6.	Trafford’s Response to the Proposed Additional Support Interventions	<p>The Board agreed to note the update.</p> <p>The following messages were shared with the Board:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Additional supplies of vaccination were requested by Greater Manchester but not provided; 2. VSCE and voluntary involvement is highly important in delivering the enhanced response plan; 3. The plan highlights the actions to take in order to increase vaccine uptake, increase communications, enhance community and workplace engagement and increase testing in schools. 4. Recent activity surrounding the plan has included door knocking, vaccination clinics and testing; 5. Upcoming activity includes advertising vans, ongoing checks on businesses and the launch of a self-isolation offer. 	
7.	10POINT ACTION PLAN		
7a.	Mass Testing	<p>The Board agreed to note the update.</p> <p>The following messages were shared with the Board:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That symptoms of the Delta variant are slightly different so it is important to get a PCR test if feeling unwell; 2. Everyone needed to keep taking lateral flow tests regularly, especially if working in retail or hospitality; 3. The importance of not retesting within 90 days of 	All

		a positive test to reduce false positives.	
7b.	Contact Tracing and Outbreak Management	<p>The Board agreed to note the update. The following messages were shared with the Board:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Contact tracing are asking more questions due to the Delta variant to gain more information on transmission; 2. Coincidence data flows and common exposures data were enabling targeted reactive work to be carried out. 	All
7c.	Mass Vaccination	<p>The Board agreed to note the update. The following messages were shared with the Board:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 75% of eligible people have received a first dose; 2. Over 21s are now able to have their vaccine; 3. There is a significant demand for the vaccine across the younger population; 4. There is enough current stock to allow for a surge vaccination if necessary; 5. There is still a hesitancy surrounding the AstraZeneca vaccine so communications are outlining that the risk of the AZ vaccine is lower than having Covid-19 itself; 6. It may become mandatory to have the vaccine for care home staff. 	All
7d.	Update and escalations from the COVID-19 Community Engagement Group	<p>The Board agreed to note the update. The following messages were shared with the Board:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Door knocking had been taking place across the borough to capture concerns, give guidance and encourage vaccinations; 2. That vaccine hesitancy had lowered and most people had been vaccinated; 3. That non-compliance with self-isolation remains a concern across the borough; 4. People are being encouraged to sign up as a Community Champion. 	N/A
7e.	Update and escalations from the Community Enforcement Group	<p>The Board agree to note the update The following messages were shared with the Board:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That there had been a decrease in the number of residential complaints; 2. That Environmental Health are continuing to carry out visits and give advice to businesses. 	N/A

8.	Public Engagement Board Activity and Feedback	The Board agreed to use one meeting of the Public Engagement Board to discuss the impact of the pandemic on mental health and how we can improve people's mental health.	Eleanor Roaf
9.	Any Other Business	None	
10.	Date of Next Meeting	Wednesday 30 th June 2021 at 10:00am	