

Trafford Covid-19 Public Engagement Board

Wednesday 19th May 2021 – 10:00 a.m. – Virtual meeting

Present:

Councillor Freeman (Chair)	Portfolio Holder for Covid-19 Reform and Recovery
Councillor Newgrosh	Leader of the Liberal Democrats Group
Councillor Welton	Ward Councillor, Green Party Group
George Devlin	Lay Member for Patient and Public Participation, Trafford CCG
Rebecca Demaine	Associate Director of Commissioning, Primary Care, Trafford CCG
Eleanor Roaf	Director of Public Health, Trafford Council
Khan Moghal	Chair, VoicebeMet
Donna Sager	Consultant in Public Health, Trafford Council
Ellie Caddick	Covid-19 Communications Lead, Trafford Council
Andrew Latham	Chief Officer, HealthWatch Trafford
Helen Gollins	Consultant in Public Health, Trafford Council
Nick Young	Greater Manchester Police
Jilla Burgess-Allen	Consultant in Public Health, Trafford Council
Helen Grant	Strategic Manager Crime and Anti-Social Behaviour, Trafford Council
Nigel Smith	Head of Regulatory Services, Trafford Council
Debbie Walsh	Director of Integrated Services, Trafford Local Care Organisation
Ben Wilmott	Covid-19 Senior Project Manager, Trafford Council
Louise Wright	Partnerships and Communities Team, Trafford Council
Fabiola Fuschi	Governance Officer, Trafford Council

	Item	Decision / Action	Key Person for Action
1.	Welcome and apologies	The Chair welcome all attendees and thanked George Devlin for chairing the meeting during the pre-election period. The Chair announced Donna Sager's retirement, and, on behalf of all Board Members, thanked Donna for her invaluable contribution to the Public Health Services of Trafford and its residents.	
2.	Minutes	Agreed subject to the amendment of the date of the minutes to say 21 st April 2021 instead of 19 th May 2021.	
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. The following messages were shared with the Board:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Covid-19 infection rates dropped in Trafford but slight increase in younger population; 2. Vaccination rate good as greater than 70%. People are strongly encouraged to take second dose for greater protection; 3. Outstanding contribution of community, faith and voluntary sector to encourage vaccination uptake; 4. Successful Eid prayer in Trafford – thank you to all those involved; 	All

		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 5. Lateral flow testing useful for asymptomatic people whereas those with Covid-19 symptoms should use PCR testing; 6. People with symptoms or with positive test result tend to do their own contact tracing with family and friends. This is good practice and it should be encouraged; 7. Continue to be cautious, avoid crowded places and follow hand hygiene, social distancing and face covering rules. 	
5	10POINT ACTION PLAN		
5a.	Mass Testing	<p>The Board agreed to note the update. The following messages were shared with the Board:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Position stable in terms of provision and access; 2. Community collect model, easy access to lateral flow testing and used to going back to normal activities; 3. Acknowledgement from national organisations that community collect model to continue for nine months; review of staffing and venues will take place to ensure its efficiency; 4. Currently drafting plans for responses to vaccine of concern, if need arises. 	All
5b.	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. Local contact tracing is effective; 2. Be honest with contact tracing and share all the contacts you had to stop the chain of transmission and to keep places open; 3. If in doubt, get in touch with Public Health and Contract Tracing; 4. Good collaboration with schools, pupils and their families who have been extraordinary and helped to manage a few outbreaks; 5. Big piece of work with Manchester United for their first match open to spectators; Environmental Health Team have supported the match to be Covid secure. 	All
5c.	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. National guidance issued for bringing forward second dose from 12 to 8 weeks for over 50s and high risk groups; 2. Thank you to all volunteers and communities who have contributed to increase the vaccination uptake. Greater request for second dose; 3. As 12th May in Trafford, 121,249 people have received the first dose of the vaccination and 65,868 the second one; 	All

		4. NHS Application able to provide vaccination certificate.	
5d.	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. Community Champion Programme will be launched this week. A web-site has been created with resources for Community Champions who will share Covid-19 information advice and collect feedback from communities; 2. Engagement exercise and activities in the north of the Borough to pilot and test new methodology and approach; 3. Community listening exercise held in Old Trafford to speak with parents and guardians re. the impact of Covid-19; 4. VoicebeMet and difference they make re. vaccination and tests with greater uptake; more activity now directed to Partington; 5. Increase vaccination uptake with Asian communities, work promoting clinics to continue. 	N/A
5e.	Update and escalations from the Community Enforcement Group	<p>The Board agree to note the uptake and following messages were shared with the Board:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Safe reopening of retail and hospitality, support to businesses provided by Environmental Health and Licensing; 2. Good level of compliance; 3. Security Advisory Group to support sporting events; 4. Reports of Anti-Social Behaviours, not Covid related; 5. Enforcement Group might start meeting fortnightly, it will be reassess after May Bank Holiday week-end; 6. Onus on licenced premises to have security in place during the evening, if issues occur, Environmental Health and Police will intervene. 	N/A
6.	Public Engagement Board Activity and Feedback	People to continue to exercise caution and limit their contacts and work from home whenever possible. In order to keep hospitality open, people have to be responsible and continue to follow social distancing, face covering and hand hygiene.	N/A
7.	Any Other Business	None	
8.	Date of Next Meeting	Wednesday 2 nd June 2021 at 10:00am	