

Trafford Covid-19 Public Engagement Board

Wednesday 11th August 2021 – 10:00 a.m. – Virtual meeting

Present:

Councillor Freeman (Chair)	Executive Member for Covid-19 Recovery and Reform
Councillor Newgrosh	Member of the Health Scrutiny Committee, Trafford Council
Councillor Cordingley	Member of the Health Scrutiny Committee, Trafford Council
Councillor Acton	Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee, Trafford Council
Eleanor Roaf	Director of Public Health, Trafford Council
Ben Wilmott	Covid-19 Senior Project Manager, Trafford Council
Rebecca Demaine	Associate Director of Commissioning – Primary Care, Trafford CCG
Kate Murdock	Operations Manager, Health, Trafford Council
Jilla Burgess-Allen	Consultant in Public Health, Trafford Council
George Devlin	Lay Member for Patient and Public Participation, Trafford CCG
Catherine O'Connor	Strategic Neighbourhood Engagement Lead, Trafford Council
Ellie Caddick	Covid-19 Communications Lead, Trafford Council
Kirsty Johnson	Covid-19 Project Manager, Trafford Council
Andrew Latham	Chief Officer, HealthWatch Trafford
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 received from Khan Moghal, Nigel Smith, Helen Gollins, Sara Radcliffe, Councillor Chilton and Councillor Lloyd.	
2.	Minutes	The minutes of the meeting 28 th July 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. There had been an increase in the infection rates within Trafford to 300 per 100,000; 2. The 19-24 and 30-34 populations had the highest rates of infection; 3. It was important to encourage vaccination to reduce the risk of Covid-19; 4. People needed to take additional care (even if vaccinated) by avoiding crowded places, meeting people outdoors where possible, wearing a mask, keeping up with hand hygiene, and working from home if able. 	All

5.	Self-Isolation Pathfinder Update	<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. Proactive engagement was continuing within specified areas with people who had a positive case of covid-19 although the scheme was due to end mid-September; 2. The team had successfully contacted 690 people with a positive case of covid-19; 3. The service had been rolled out to M32 and M33 postcodes alongside work in M15 and M16 postcodes. 	All
6.	10POINT ACTION PLAN		
6a.	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. From 16th August, people would need to be double vaccinated and have a negative PCR test to be exempt from self-isolating as a close contact; 2. Two new types of Lateral Flow testing were available which provided results in 15 minutes; 3. Secondary schools were to use the Orient Gene Lateral Flow test from September; 4. That it was important to encourage the continued regular testing within workplace settings; 5. That a PCR test was needed if someone experienced covid-19 symptoms. 	All
6b.	Contact Tracing and Outbreak Management	<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. As the regulations around self-isolating were changing, the team were awaiting guidance on how to verify who needed to isolate and who did not; 2. From 16th August, the following will be exempt from isolating: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Under 18s b. Those fully vaccinated more than 2 weeks before a positive contact c. Anyone who has taken part in vaccine trials d. Anyone who cannot be vaccinated due to medical reasons 3. It was important to be cautious even if exempt from isolating. 	All

	Mass Vaccination	<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. 308,000 people had received at least one dose of the vaccine; 2. 82% of eligible over 18s had received their first dose; 3. 72% of eligible over 18s had received their second dose; 4. Guidance on the 16-17 year olds vaccine offer had not been released but was expected; 5. Five GP networks had expressed an interest in delivering the booster phase 3 vaccination but confirmation and guidance for the programme were yet to be released. 	All
6d.	Update and escalations from the COVID-19 Community Engagement Group	<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 'Summer Engagement Programme' had begun and the team were visiting each neighbourhood in Trafford; 2. The programme was emphasising the importance of a healthy lifestyle and was called 'Shape up for Summer'; 3. The programme had been well received by the community and activities would continue to take place over the following month. 	N/A
7.	Public Engagement Board Activity and Feedback	None	
8.	Any Other Business	None	
9.	Date of Next Meeting	Wednesday 25 th August 2021 at 10:00 a.m.	