

**Manchester City Council
Report for Information**

Report to: Executive –16 March 2022
Subject: Living Safely and Fairly with Covid
Report of: Director of Public Health

Summary

On Monday 21 February 2022 the Prime Minister announced the publication of the National Living Safely with Covid Plan.

Over the past few weeks, the Director of Public Health, council colleagues and other partners have been developing the local Manchester Living Fairly and Safely with Covid draft plan. The comments from the Manchester Health Scrutiny Committee held on 9 March 2022 have now been incorporated and the final version of the Plan is attached.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Executive approve the Manchester Living Safely and Fairly with Covid Plan.

Wards Affected: All

Environmental Impact Assessment - the impact of the issues addressed in this report on achieving the zero-carbon target for the city
There had been a positive short-term impact on the city's carbon emissions, as a result of reduced travel during the road map period. There are opportunities to accelerate the medium term move towards the low carbon economy through, for example, supporting investment in green technology business opportunities and employment.

Our Manchester Strategy outcomes	Summary of how this report aligns to the Our Manchester Strategy
A thriving and sustainable city: supporting a diverse and distinctive economy that creates jobs and opportunities	This unprecedented national and international crisis impacts on all areas of our city. The Our Manchester approach has underpinned the planning and delivery of our response, working in partnership and identifying innovative ways to continue to deliver services and to

A highly skilled city: world class and home grown talent sustaining the city's economic success	establish new services as quickly as possible to support the most vulnerable in our city.
A progressive and equitable city: making a positive contribution by unlocking the potential of our communities	
A liveable and low carbon city: a destination of choice to live, visit, work	
A connected city: world class infrastructure and connectivity to drive growth	

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Background documents (available for public inspection):

The following documents disclose important facts on which the report is based and have been relied upon in preparing the report. Copies of the background documents are available up to 4 years after the date of the meeting. If you would like a copy please contact one of the contact officers above.

1.0 Introduction

- 1.1 The attached plan is based on what our current understanding is on national policy direction on Covid-19 and based on what the epidemiology (scientific study of Covid-19 and how it is found, spread and controlled) is telling us.
- 1.2 As with all our Covid-19 plans, it is iterative and will be updated and developed over time. Indeed, there are several important national policy announcements (e.g., testing) expected in the next month that will be incorporated.
- 1.3 The City Council and partners are committed to reviewing what has worked to date and learning from our experiences so far. Our plan is a system wide plan, coordinated by leads in different organisations and Council directorates, who will work with a wide range of people who live and work in the city to drive the delivery of the plan.
- 1.4 The plan includes:
 - Summary of our Covid-19 response so far
 - Covid-19 Inequalities
 - Epidemiology, including possible future scenarios
 - National Living Safely with Covid-19 Strategy key information
 - Building a shared understanding of what 'living safely and fairly with Covid-19' means for Manchester – our approach, what we will do and inequalities considerations
 - Local Governance arrangements
 - Our 12-point plan for Living Safely and Fairly with Covid-19 in Manchester
 - Resource Requirements

2.0 Recommendations

- 2.1 It is recommended that the Executive approve the Manchester Living Safely and Fairly with Covid Plan