Manchester Health and Wellbeing Board Report for Information

Report to: Manchester Health and Wellbeing Board – 23 March 2022

Subject: Living Safely and Fairly with Covid

Report of: Director of Public Health

Summary

On Monday 21 February 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 Plan.

Recommendations

The Board is asked to:

1. Endorse the Manchester Living Safely and Fairly with Covid Plan

Board Priority(s) Addressed:

Health and Wellbeing Strategy priority	Summary of contribution to the strategy
Getting the youngest people in our	The ongoing response to the pandemic
communities off to the best start	impacts on all strategy priority areas and
Improving people's mental health and	the recovery programmes of all
wellbeing	organisations represented on the Board.
Bringing people into employment and	
ensuring good work for all	
Enabling people to keep well and live	
independently as they grow older	
Turning round the lives of troubled	
families as part of the Confident and	
Achieving Manchester programme	
One health and care system – right care,	
right place, right time	
Self-care	

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Background documents (available for public inspection):	
None.	

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 Health and Wellbeing Board will have the responsibility to review the implementation of the plan during 2022/23. The City Council and partners are committed to reviewing what has worked to date and learning from our experiences so far. The plan is a system wide plan, coordinated by leads in different organisations, 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 Board:
 - 1. Endorse the Manchester Living Safely and Fairly with Covid Plan