

HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD 10th September 2020

Report sponsor: Robyn Dewis, Acting Director of Public Health Report author: Alison Wynn, Assistant Director of Public Health **ITEM 08**

Derby COVID Outbreak Engagement Board

Purpose

1.1 To inform Health and Wellbeing Board members of the establishment of the Derby COVID Outbreak Engagement Board as a sub-group of the Health and Wellbeing Board.

Recommendation(s)

2.1 The Health and Wellbeing Board is asked to note the report and the establishment of the COVID Outbreak Engagement Board.

Reason

3.1 To ensure the Health and Wellbeing Board is kept updated on the groups established to support it in the delivery of its functions and responsibilities.

Supporting information

- 4.1 The Department of Health and Social Care has guidance in place <u>COVID-19 contain</u> <u>framework: a guide for local decision-makers</u> – that sets out how national and local partners will work with the public at a local level to prevent, contain and manage outbreaks.
- 4.2 Ministers are accountable nationally for setting this framework and for oversight and intervention where necessary. Locally, Directors of Public Health (DPH) are accountable for controlling local outbreaks, working with Public Health England (PHE) and local health protection boards, supported with resource deployment by local 'gold' structures and local boards to communicate and engage with communities led by council leaders.
- 4.3 As part of local leadership arrangements, each upper tier local authority were required to put in place a <u>Local Outbreak Plan</u> and to rapidly establish a Local Outbreak Engagement/ Control Board to provide public engagement and community leadership.

- 4.4 Given the role the Health and Wellbeing Board in protecting the health of the local population, the Derby COVID Outbreak Engagement Board was established as a subgroup of Derby Health and Wellbeing Board. Due to the urgency of the requirement to establish this Board, this was done using the delegated decision-making powers of the Chair.
- 4.5 The terms of reference of the Derby COVID Outbreak Engagement Board are attached for information at Appendix 1.

Public/stakeholder engagement

5.1 The COVID Outbreak Engagement Board is responsible for engaging with the local community to understand local issues and communicate effectively with local people.

Other options

6.1 None.

Financial and value for money issues

7.1 None.

Legal implications

8.1 None.

Other significant implications

9.1 None.

This report has been approved by the following people:

Role	Name	Date of sign-off
Legal Finance Service Director(s) Report sponsor	Robyn Dewis, Acting Director of Public Health	29/08/20
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Background papers:	None	
List of appendices:	Appendix 1: Derby COVID Outbreak Engagement Board Terms of Reference	