

Covid-19 Health Protection Board Agenda,

09:30-10:30, Thursday, 25th June 2020

1	Roll Call	AG
2	Introduction	CC
3	<p>Aims, Objectives and Terms of Reference,</p> <p>Confirmation and discussion of the aims and objectives from the terms of reference:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To set clear strategic aims and objectives for Cumbria’s ongoing response to Covid-19 2. To establish a policy framework for the overall management of the epidemic, including approving the Covid-19 Outbreak Control Plan and overseeing its implementation 3. To maintain an overview of the epidemiology of Covid-19 within Cumbria in order to inform decision making about local countermeasures and to inform Regional and National policy 4. To identify required resources and oversee the deployment of multi-agency resources in support of the Board’s strategic objectives 5. To recommend or activate the implementation of necessary enhanced countermeasures, including if appropriate local enhanced social distancing measures (“local lockdowns”) to SCG 	CC
4	<p>National sitrep</p> <p>Coronavirus update:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The overall epidemic curve is on the decline. • There is a likelihood of sporadic outbreaks for some time • Concerns regarding the impact of the reduction in lockdown measures. It will take up to a month to see some impacts. • Planning for winter is required. • Hospital capacity and preparedness for a second wave. Work is needed to ensure the system is prepared. • Lancashire ICS has a cell structure in place to review bed capacity and current processes. • Recovery infrastructure discussions ongoing between partners. • SAGE modelling for a second wave is not going to be released at this time. <p>ACTION: Updates regarding hospital planning to be added to the agenda for the next meeting (09:45)</p>	PHE
5	<p>Local sitrep</p> <p>SCG:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Key areas of concern included the lifting of restrictions on 4th July and opening the tourist industry safely • The TCG stood up again to assist. • All other areas are in a transition phase. • SCG in place until after 4th July. It will be reviewed after then. 	CC

	<p>Epidemiology:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The MAIC are looking at data flows coming through. There are around 50 different data sources. A list of these are included in the Outbreak Control Plan. • Data sharing agreements are being put in place for receiving testing data. • Daily SCG dashboard ongoing. The data will continue to be collated to assist with the understanding of the capacity of the system. • There is a low levels of deaths at this time and 20-30 positive tests per week. Positive signs but still needs to be monitored. <p>ACTION: The MAIC to update the HPB meeting with an epidemiology map each meeting (09:58)</p>	
6	<p>Items for urgent action</p> <p>None raised.</p>	CC
7	<p>Draft Outbreak Control Plan</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A draft Outbreak Control Plan has been circulated. The resilience team have assisted with gathering the relevant information. . • The deadline for publishing the plan is Tuesday 30th June. It will be published for consolation with partners. • The plan will go to the LRF programme board for agreement. • Any feedback regarding the draft plan to be sent to the resilience team. • Proposal to incorporating the Engagement Board into the Public Health Alliance. • Still awaiting clarity regarding local decision making. 	CC
8	<p>Assessment of preparedness/key gaps</p> <p>Preparedness:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Detailed investment plan to be put in place. Matt Saunders to lead on this. • Military planners to assist with this piece of work. 	CC
9	<p>Update from sub groups and agencies by exception</p> <p>Contact Tracing Group:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Testing and Contact Tracing groups merging. • Concerns regarding peoples using the Pillar 2 route for testing rather than local processes. • Incident management hub meeting on a daily basis and continues to manage outbreaks. Support going into schools. <p>Testing Group:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continued concerns regarding the value of antibody testing. The test continues to be offered in Cumbria. • NHS seeing around 20% coming back with positive antibody tests. <p>Cumbria Community Resilience Group:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Further work needed with community groups in preparation for a second wave. Most of the work would be with CCC community development officers. Need to look at what is needed for background support. <p>Care System Group:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The group continues to manage outbreaks. Outbreak Control Team meet daily. 	CC Subgroup chairs

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Revised guidance regarding a home being 28 days free before admissions is causing significant issues for both NHS and CCC. Colin Cox liaising with other areas in the region to see how the guidance is being interpreted. <p>Business Economic Response & Recovery Group:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Formal input into today's SRCG. Impact of track and trace being looked at during the ministerial stocktake. <p>Tactical Education & Early years Group:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The use of local testing being emphasised to head teachers and staff. Concerns regarding Government proposals to extend bubbles to whole school years in September. <p>Agencies by exception:</p> <p>NCIC:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Issues at Carlisle regarding managing hospital acquired infections. Experiencing a high degree of older adults with challenging behaviour. This could possible a secondary consequence of COVID due to isolation or an interruption of care. A high degree of non-COVID activities that have been disrupted. There are backlogs on elective work which will impact on health protection long term. Very relevant for HWBB and recovery structures. Ongoing discussions regarding building resilience across the community. <p>ACTION: Mental Health providers to be included in this group (10.27)</p>	
10	<p>Communications</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Email HealthProtectionBoard@cumbria.gov.uk Comms plan needed for this area of work. Kieran Barr expecting to receive resources from PHE and NHSE. Once received Kieran will pick up a conversation with Colin Cox. <p>ACTION: Formal comms plan to be brought to the next meeting (10.30)</p>	KB
11	<p>Next meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Weekly battle rhythm: HPB to continue at 09:30 Thursday SCG Thurs 13:00 LRF Chairs National Weds 14:00 <p>Any Other Business:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Concerns regarding the use of emergency centres during the pandemic. Proposal to set up separate ones for general public, shielding and symptomatic/positive. Staffing and PPE areas to address. <p>ACTION: Colin Cox to have discussion with Peter Rooney and Hilary Fordham regarding emergency centres (10.32)</p>	CC