



Covid-19 Health Protection Board Minutes,

09:30-11:00, Thursday, 30th July 2020

	<p>Objectives of the Board</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
1	<p>Roll Call</p>  <p>2020 07 30 HPB Roll Call v1.pdf</p>	AG
2	<p>Introductions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introductions and welcomes by Colin Cox. • Aims and objectives confirmed as appropriate. 	CC
3	<p>Review of Outstanding Actions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All actions reviewed and action log updated accordingly.  <p>2020 Covid19 HPB Actions Decisions Log</p>	CC
4	<p>Items for urgent action</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None raised 	CC
5	<p>National sitrep</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There is increasing talk of a second wave. • Current outbreaks are linked to younger people, social situations and those who have been travelling out of the country. • It has been documented in the media that guidance for those self-isolating is to change. The proposal is for those with symptoms to isolate for 10 rather than 7 days. PHE not aware of this change in guidance at this time. 	PHE
6	<p>Local sitrep Update from SCG.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The SCG is to be maintained in a limited format. The current strategic objectives for the SCG are: 	AS EG CC/FM

	<p>1. <i>The Cumbria COVID-19 Health Protection Board is responsible for the development and implementation of the Cumbria Outbreak Control Plan.</i></p> <p><i>The role of the Strategic Co-ordinating Group is to support and advise the Health Protection Board and to co-ordinate any multi-agency response required by the Board in delivering the Outbreak Control Plan.</i></p> <p>2. <i>To maintain shared situational awareness regarding the pandemic Cumbria across all SCG members.</i></p> <p>Local epidemiology: Update from the MAIC</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of cases have reduced in both Carlisle & Eden. They are still higher than others in Cumbria. • Contact tracing numbers are increasing. Local contact tracing is crucial and the data being monitored on a daily basis. • South Lakeland being closely monitored. • There has been a decrease in the number of hospitalisations relating to COVID. • 32 incidents logged onto the system last week. 137 contacts identified from these incidents. • Information regarding care home outbreaks being fed into the data • Further demographic information can be provided for specific areas of concern. • National guidance is required relating to those in care homes receiving multiple positive test results. <p>ACTION: Ali Wilson to review data for 111 calls to establish if post codes provided are for the person or the location of the call (09:57)</p> <p>ACTION: John Astbury to raise nationally the need for guidance for repeat positives (10.02)</p> <p>ACTION: Colin Cox and Pam Duke to pick up conversation regarding testing for domiciliary carers (10.06)</p> <p>Update from IMH and OCT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of incidents being managed through the IMH. • The number of care homes with a confirmed/suspected outbreak has increased. 	
7	<p>Carlisle Incident Management</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Situational update provided by Claire King. • A number of the incidents within Carlisle have been closed down as they have reached 14 days and there had been no further transmission. • The number of positives linked to pubs/bars has increased. This is expected due to the large number of people who have been tested. • Two cases in Eden are linked to travel from Barcelona. • There a number of emerging lessons learned. • Taxi drivers continue to be high risk. Other areas have obtained funding for shields and made wearing face coverings mandatory in taxis. • To change the conditions of licenses for private taxis is a complex situation. • There is no need for escalation at this time. Agreed by the group. <p>ACTION: Guidance to be issued to taxi companies advising drivers/passengers to wear masks. If this advice is not followed a more formal route will be taken (10.28)</p>	CK

8	<p>Eden Incident Management</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The picture in Eden is improving. • There were 11 positives and 7 associated cases from one BBQ. • People giving the correct details for contact tracing continues to be a challenge. • Andy Slattery has been in contact with a provider who could set up a database for pubs/bars to use for contact tracing. There is merit in exploring this option to assist with obtaining adequate contact tracing information. <p>ACTION: Colin Cox to review options for a contact tracing database for pubs/bars (10.41).</p>	RD
9	<p>BAE response plan</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overview of plan provided by Hannah Gee. • Prevention barriers and mitigation barriers outlines within the plan. • Links with the IMH and EHOs should be included in the plan. 	AB
10	<p>Winter Preparedness</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NCIC state they feel they are unready for a second peak or winter surge due to the congestion in the hospital. • The hospital service does not have capacity to respond in same way as did initially. • Winter planning and surge planning needs to be addressed. • Another small outbreak in the hospital would constrain the hospital service. • COVID+ capacity is a gap in the system. • Those waiting for domiciliary packages of care are a concern/risk. 	CC
11	<p>Update from sub groups and agencies by exception</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None raised. 	CC
12	<p>Communications</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A paid for targeted media campaign is to begin. It will target young asymptomatic people and the will use outside advertising, social media and local digital methods. • Comms messages continue to reinforce the use of protective measures. • An update relating to Carlisle/Eden to be released. 	KB
13	<p>Next meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Weekly battle rhythm: - HPB to continue at 09:30 Thursday - SCG Thurs 11:00 - LRF Chairs National Weds 14:00 	CC