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DERBYSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD

29 March 2023

Report of the Director of Public Health

Health Protection Board Update

1. Purpose

- 1.1 To provide an update of the key messages arising from the Derbyshire Health Protection Board from its meeting on 10 February 2023.

2. Information and Analysis

- 2.1 The Health Protection Board is a cross-Derbyshire Board that is a sub-group of the Derbyshire Health and Wellbeing Board.
- 2.2 The purpose of the Health Protection Board is to provide assurance to the Health and Wellbeing Boards of Derbyshire County and Derby City that adequate arrangements are in place for the prevention, surveillance, planning, and response required to protect the health of the residents of Derby City and Derbyshire County.
- 2.3 The following updates were provided during the business of the meeting on 10 February 2023:
- 2.4 Infection Prevention and Control
- The Board received the recommendations of a recently completed Health Needs Assessment on Infection Prevention and Control in community settings, and the Board agreed to establish a sub-group to review and implement the recommendations.

2.5 Screening and Immunisations Programmes:

- A Statement of Intent has been issued on the proposed delegation of Immunisations and Vaccinations services from 2024, however a policy position has yet to be confirmed which will help shape a future local operating model.
- National work continues in order to understand when and if it makes sense to delegate screening functions
- Across Derbyshire, all screening programmes are recovered following COVID-19, operating under business-as-usual models with no reported backlogs
- A Screening Health Inequality Action Plan has been developed and shared with providers and system partners to enable joint planning and aligned actions across the ICB, and all providers have been completing the national Health Equity Assessment Tool to assess health inequalities, identify actions to increase uptake, improve equity in access and address the specific needs of certain population groups
- The age extension to 54-year-olds of the Bowel cancer screening programme is scheduled to go live in Derbyshire in April 2023
- Alternative siting for mobile breast screening in Glossop has been secured, with provision due to commence in February 2023
- Publication of the national vaccination and immunisation strategy is still awaited
- Updates to national immunisation and vaccination programmes were provided, including to the HPV programme, and future intentions for the COVID-19 programme
- A final national recall for the MMR programme for parents of children aged between 12 months and 6 years commenced at the end of January. Uptake of the MMR vaccination in Derbyshire remains above average, although uptake at 5 years is slightly below the target rate of 95%

2.6 Integrated Care Partnership Strategy

- The proposed health protection content for the Integrated Care Partnership Strategy was reviewed and approved. The following key areas of work that require cross-system working:
 - Developing the infection prevention and control system
 - Ensuring a successful and safe transfer of the responsibility to commission immunisation services
 - Ensuring oversight of screening programmes is appropriately linked to the system
 - Improved connection for existing strategies e.g., air quality

- Pathway improvements for individuals with complex health protection needs e.g., those with TB who have no recourse to public funds
- The following strategic actions have been identified for inclusion in the strategy
 - Request a commitment from the Integrated Care Partnership to sponsor a review of the governance and architecture for health protection in Derby and Derbyshire
 - Produce a health protection strategy for Derby and Derbyshire to clarify and drive the work of the Health Protection Board and establish agreed outcome measures.
 - Review the three key areas of the focus for the Integrated Care Strategy and identify prioritised health protection actions. Secure commitment from the SROs to include these actions as an integral element of their work plans, and to work with Public Health colleagues on their resolution.
 - Ensure health protection priorities are included within the appropriate workstreams, and that progress is reported to the Health Protection Board

2.7 Chief Medical Officer's Annual Report

- The Chief Medical Officer's annual report, published in December 2022, outlines the impact on health, and challenges of reducing air pollution. The Board noted that the report would be reviewed by the Air Quality Working Group to identify implications for Derbyshire and consider examples of good practice provided in the report that may be transferable to Derbyshire.

3. **Alternative Options Considered**

3.1 None considered as report for information only.

4. **Implications**

4.1 Appendix 1 sets out the relevant implications considered in the preparation of the report.

5. **Consultation**

5.1 No consultation required

6. **Background Papers**

6.1 None

7. Appendices

7.1 Appendix 1 – Implications.

8. Recommendation(s)

8.1 That the Health and Wellbeing Board:

a) Note the update report from the Health Protection Board.

9. Reasons for Recommendation(s)

9.1 To meet the purpose of the Derbyshire Health Protection Board in providing assurance to the Derbyshire Health and Wellbeing Board that adequate arrangements are in place to protect the health of the residents of Derbyshire County

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Implications

Financial

1.1 None identified

Legal

2.1 None identified

Human Resources

3.1 None identified

Information Technology

4.1 None identified

Equalities Impact

5.1 None identified

Corporate objectives and priorities for change

6.1 None identified

Other (for example, Health and Safety, Environmental Sustainability, Property and Asset Management, Risk Management and Safeguarding)

7.1 None identified