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MINUTES of a meeting of the **CABINET MEMBER FOR HEALTH AND COMMUNITIES** held on 22 July 2020 virtually on MS Teams

PRESENT

Councillor C Hart – Cabinet Member

Also in attendance: Councillor D Allen

27/20 **MINUTES** **RESOLVED** that the non-exempt minutes of the meeting of the Cabinet Member for Health and Communities held on 8 July 2020 be confirmed as a correct record.

28/20 **REVIEW OF URGENT DECISION OF CHANGES TO DELIVERY OF PUBLIC HEALTH DELIVERED SERVICES** The Cabinet Member was updated on changes made to Public Health-delivered services due to the COVID19 pandemic.

Live Life Better Derbyshire - Stop Smoking, Weight Management, Physical Activity and the National Child Measurement Programme (NCMP) remained on pause, with support still available to existing and new clients through phone and video-call support. Smokers and specific clients were prioritised for support due to their high risk status as a result of COVID19. NHS guidance on prioritisation of community health services during the COVID19 pandemic had been provided from NHS England and NHS Improvement; the NCMP programme was paused with a recommendation to apply until 31st July at the earliest.

School Crossing Patrols – 56 sites were now open, with focussed communication with schools and support for patrols having an influencing the increase. There were only two sites that remained concerned about their return to work. Since the announcement of the reduction to one metre social distancing where two metres was not possible, risk assessment reviews of 13 sites were on-going and anticipated to opened within the week. The service continued to have four high risk sites where patrols were unable to return due to shielding or caring responsibilities, however it had been possible to open one of these using a relief patrol. Six schools continued to have extremely low numbers of pupils attending and remained closed; these were being monitored so that service could resume when appropriate.

Time Swap, Safe Places, Local Area Co-ordination, Disability Employment Service, First contact, 50+ Forums and the Pension Credit Project continued to offer a variety of means of help and support to vulnerable people within the community. The majority of 50+ Forum members were aged over 70 years old, and therefore were recommended to implement stringent social distancing and social isolation practices due to their increased risk of more severe illness from COVID19. Pension Credit Support remained available to older people through the work of the Welfare Rights Service but not on the scale achievable by the project.

RESOLVED - that the Cabinet Member note the report.