



# Health and Wellbeing Together

## 14 July 2021

<b>Report title</b>	Public Health Annual Report 2020 - 2021	
<b>Cabinet member with lead responsibility</b>	Councillor Jasbir Jaspal Public Health and Wellbeing	
<b>Wards affected</b>	All wards	
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<b>Report has been considered by</b>	Public Health Leadership Team	22 June 2021
	Strategic Executive Board	24 June 2021
	Cabinet Member Briefing	24 June 2021
	Children's and Education Leadership Team	24 June 2021
	Adult's Social Care Leadership Team	01 July 2021
	Health Scrutiny Panel	08 July 2021
<b>Report to be considered by</b>	Health and Wellbeing Together Board	14 July 2021
	Cabinet	28 July 2021

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### Recommendation for action:

Health and Wellbeing Together is recommended to:

1. Approve the publication of the Public Health Annual Report for the period 2020 - 2021.

## **1.0 Purpose**

- 1.1 To present the Annual Report from the Director of Public Health (DPH) for the period 2020 – 2021 for approval.

## **2.0 Background**

- 2.1 The Director of Public Health (DPH) Annual Report is a statutory requirement. It is the DPH's professional statement about the health and wellbeing of their local communities.
- 2.2 The annual report aims to inform professionals and members of the public about key issues in the City over the past year throughout the pandemic. It seeks to identify current priorities and highlight required action for the improvement and protection of the health of the local population.

## **3.0 Director of Public Health Annual Report 2020 - 2021**

- 3.1 The Director of Public Health Annual Report 2020 - 2021 is the third annual report to follow the publication of the Public Health Vision 2030.
- 3.2 Reflecting the national picture, the report describes how inequalities have been exacerbated by COVID-19.
- 3.3 It felt prudent to capture as comprehensively as possible the collective response of the City to the pandemic. The report details the strengthened partnerships that have resulted from our coordinated efforts and sets out how we will use our learning to aid our recovery.
- 3.4 The report in its draft form has been shared widely with internal and external partners to ensure that their contributions are accurately represented.
- 3.5 The report is based on the year from the beginning of the pandemic up to the end of March 2021. For this reason, more recent achievements have not been included, such as the roving vaccination bus. These will be covered in the next Public Health Annual Report.
- 3.6 Our ambition is for this report to be a legacy document and a lasting reflection of our efforts and learning through a very challenging year.

## **4.0 Financial Implications**

- 4.1 There are no direct financial implications arising from this report.
- 4.2 Funding for Public Health is provided to the Council by the Department of Health and Social Care in the form of a ring-fenced grant.
- 4.3 The final Public Health grant allocation for the financial year 2020 - 2021 was £20,985,620.
- 4.4 In addition, local authorities have received a number of grants in relation to COVID-19. The main grants within the Public Health Directorate being Contain Outbreak

Management Fund (£7.4 million) and the Local authority test and trace service support grant (£1.9 million). These have to be spent in line with conditions.  
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## **5.0 Legal implications**

5.1 There are no direct legal implications arising from this report.  
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## **6.0 Equalities implications**

6.1 Equality is promoted through the Public Health Vision 2030 and throughout local Public Health programmes, functions and services. This is to ensure that they advance equality and tackle inequalities relating to health outcomes and wider social determinants of health among groups that share protected characteristics.

6.2 Different groups within the population have been disproportionately affected by the pandemic. Addressing these inequalities is a key priority and we will use this information to inform our recovery.

## **7.0 Climate Change implications**

7.1 There are no direct climate change and environmental implications arising from this report.

## **8.0 Human Resources implications**

8.1 There are no direct human resources implications arising from this report.

## **9.0 Corporate Landlord implications**

9.1 There are no direct Corporate Landlord implications arising from this report. 10.0 Health and wellbeing implications

## **10.0 Health and Wellbeing implications**

10.1 The report acknowledges the lasting physical, mental, social and economic impacts of the past year upon our population. It highlights the City's response to the coronavirus pandemic and how partners from across the City have worked together to keep our residents safe.

## **11.0 Appendices**

11.1 Appendix 1 –Public Health Annual Report 2020 - 2021