HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD

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Title: Local Outbreak Management Plan		
Report of the Director of Public Health		
Open Report	For Information	
Wards Affected: All	Key Decision: No	
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Summary:

Local Authorities have an ongoing statutory responsibility to have Local Outbreak Management Plans (LOMPs) for responding to emergencies in their areas as part of their existing duty for safeguarding and protecting the health of their population.

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The main aim of the Plan is to build on existing plans to prevent and manage outbreaks in specific settings, ensure the challenges of Covid-19 are understood, consider the impact on local communities and ensure the wider system works together to contain the spread of infection locally. Data reporting and surveillance data is not a focus of the plan as this is now business as usual in the local PH Team. It sets out how partners would work together to implement the plans and take a preventative approach and has been developed with a wide range of stakeholders and overseen by the Health Protection Board. This Plan is iterative and will be regularly updated, as further evidence and guidance emerge.

Recommendation(s)

The Health and Wellbeing Board is recommended to agree the use of the LOMP locally.

Reason(s)

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1. Introduction and Background

- 1.1 Local Authorities have an ongoing statutory responsibility to have Local Outbreak Management Plans (LOMPs) for responding to emergencies in their areas as part of their existing duty for safeguarding and protecting the health of their population.
- 1.2 The publication of the Government's Roadmap for exiting national lockdown, the accompanying refresh of the Contain Framework and an increasing focus on Variants of Concern (VOC) highlight the importance of LAs urgently reviewing and updating their Local Outbreak Management Plans in order to ensure they remain fit for purpose as well as aid national understanding. Effective planning and deployment at local level is the first line of defence and critically underpins the achievability of the Roadmap.
- 1.3 This document based on London template is intended to incorporate the learnings of the past nine months and make local plan for the next phase of the response. Furthermore, it presents an opportunity to identify and share good practice and to reflect developments since the original plans were produced, such as local contact tracing partnerships, enhanced contact tracing and the need to respond to Variants of Concern (VOCs).

2. Proposal and Issues

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3 Consultation

- Health Protection Board
- Portfolio Holder for Health and Social Care
- LBBD Covid SITREP

4 Mandatory Implications N/A

5. Non-mandatory Implications

N/A

5.1	Crime and Disorder <i>N/A</i>
5.2	Safeguarding <i>N/A</i>
5.3	Property/Assets N/A
5.4	Customer Impact <i>N/A</i>
5.5	Contractual Issues N/A
5.6	Staffing issues N/A

Public Background Papers Used in the Preparation of the Report: None

List of Appendices:

Appendix A - Local Outbreak Management Plan