

	<u>Agenda Item:</u> 13	
Report to:	Birmingham Health & Wellbeing Board	
Date:	23 rd July 2020	
TITLE:	UPDATE ON PROGRESS SINCE THE APRIL SPECIAL HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD MEETING	
Organisation	Birmingham City Council	
Presenting Officer	Dr Justin Varney, Director of Public Health	

Report Type:	Presentation
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1. Purpose:

To inform the Board and members of the public of the progress since the April Special Health and Wellbeing Board meeting to mitigate risk and support ethnic communities from COVID-19

2. Implications:				
BHWB Strategy Priorities	Childhood Obesity			
	Health Inequalities	\checkmark		
Joint Strategic Needs Assessm				
Creating a Healthy Food City				
Creating a Mentally Healthy City				
Creating an Active City				
Creating a City without Inequality				
Health Protection				

3. Recommendation

- 3.1 The Board is asked to note the progress detailed in the report.
- 3.2 Board members are asked to continue to work to mitigate disproportional risk of COVID-19 to ethnic communities.



4. Report Body

- 4.1 The paper summarises progress made to date from the organisations listed below. Key themes covered include:
 - Support and virtual engagement events for BAME colleagues
 - Emotional Support for colleagues
 - Adequate PPE for all relevant employees
 - Outreach work to reach priority communities including faith communities
 - Identifying and developing support to mitigate COVID-19 risk for those with risk factors
 - Developing routes by which BAME communities can engage, inform and influence COVID-19 recovery planning
 - Understanding the community impact and experiences around COVID-19

4.2 The following partners have contributed to the content of the report:

- Birmingham Community Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust
- Sandwell and West Birmingham NHS Trust
- NHS Birmingham and Solihull Clinical Commissioning Group
- Sandwell and West Birmingham Clinical Commissioning Group
- Healthwatch Birmingham
- BVSC
- Birmingham City Council
- 4.3 Details of the discussion at the April Special Health and Wellbeing Board Meeting can be found in the minutes of the meeting.

5. Compliance Issues

5.1 HWBB Forum Responsibility and Board Update

The impact and mitigation of the disproportioned risk of COVID-19 on ethnic minority communities will continue to be monitored though the HWB member organisations.

5.2 Management Responsibility

Dr Justin Varney, Director of Public Health, Birmingham City Council



6. Risk Analysis					
Identified Risk	Likelihood	Impact	Actions to Manage Risk		
Board member organisations cease to mitigate risk and support ethnic communities from COVID-19 leading to further increase in health inequalities	Low	High	Continue to facilitate discussions		

The following people have been involved in the preparation of this board paper:

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