

	<u>Agenda Item: 11</u>
Report to:	Local COVID Outbreak Engagement Board
Date:	27th January 2021
TITLE:	PUBLIC QUESTIONS SUBMITTED IN ADVANCE
Date Question(s) received	19th – 20th January 2021
Number of questions received	3

Report Type:	Written Questions
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1. Purpose:
1.1 To consider a response to themes raised via Public Written Questions (details included within section 3 of this report).

2. Recommendation
2.1 The Board is asked to consider the Public Written Questions and respond accordingly.

3. Written lines of questioning
3.1 Three lines of questioning have been submitted in written format for consideration by the Board.
3.2 The lines of questioning relate to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Covid-19 vaccination • Lateral flow testing • Covid safe public transport
3.3 As per the criteria for submitting lines of questioning, the lines of questioning have been grouped into themes in preparation for discussion at the Local Covid Outbreak Engagement Board.
3.4 The lines of questioning are split by theme and detailed below:
3.4.1 Covid-19 Vaccination

- Please advise when personal assistants funded via Birmingham City Council direct payments will be contacted via the Council to arrange their Covid-19 vaccinations?

3.4.2 Lateral flow testing

- Plans are in place for Secondary school children to be tested once they arrive at school. Are there plans to supply secondary school children with lateral flow tests to carry out at home prior to mixing on public transport whilst travelling to school?
- If two people receive negative lateral flow tests, why can they not mix in each other's households?

3.4.3 Covid safe public transport

- Please advise if buses should display QR codes?
- Please advise whether windows should be open on buses and trains?

3.5 A further 27 lines of questioning were received between 22nd January and the 25th January. The additional question themes include, PCT testing, Lockdown restrictions, Antibody testing and Furlough. These questions will be answered in writing following the Board meeting and published by 10th February 2021.

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