

	<u>Agenda Item: 14</u>
Report to:	Birmingham Health & Wellbeing Board
Date:	22nd March 2022
TITLE:	THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH ANNUAL REPORT 2020/21
Organisation	Birmingham City Council
Presenting Officer	Dr Justin Varney

Report Type:	Information / Approval
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1. Purpose:
<p>1.1 The Director of Public Health (DPH) has a duty to write an independent evidence-based annual report detailing the health and wellbeing of our local population.</p> <p>1.2 The Annual Director of Public Health Report for 2020/21 reflects the journey of Birmingham City through the COVID-19 pandemic, providing insights and recommendations for the health of the population.</p>

2. Implications:		
BHWB Strategy Priorities	Childhood Obesity	✓
	Health Inequalities	✓
Joint Strategic Needs Assessment		
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	<p>It is recommended that the Health and Wellbeing Board:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Note the contents of this report. • Provides feedback on this report. • Agrees to support the identified recommendations of the report. • Approves the Annual Report for publication.

4.	Report Body
4.1	<p>Background</p> <p>The report builds a narrative to show case the context of COVID-19 on the lives of the people in Birmingham City impinging upon their health, relationships and society utilising data from</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hospital admissions and deaths • The COVID-19 Health and Wellbeing Impact Survey • Ethnographic research with 12 Birmingham residents • Highlight reports from the Public Health Data Cell and Birmingham Test and Trace <p>4.2 Summary of Key Issues</p> <p>The report draws attention on how the impact was uneven, affecting people differently and recommends why it is important to acknowledge pre-existing health inequalities in closing the gap when planning our recovery from the pandemic.</p> <p>Mitigation strategies should also focus upon mental wellbeing, long- term impacts of COVID-19 and reducing the drivers of inequality in COVID-19 case rates and mortality.</p> <p>4.3 Recommendations</p> <p>The recommendations from this report will be used alongside the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA) and local intelligence to inform local policymaking that can influence the wider determinants of health.</p>

5.	Compliance Issues
5.1	HWBB Forum Responsibility and Board Update

5.2 Management Responsibility

Dr Justin Varney, The Director of Public Health
Dr Shiraz Sheriff, Service Lead in Governance

6. Risk Analysis

Identified Risk	Likelihood	Impact	Actions to Manage Risk
Partners do not implement the report recommendations	Medium	Medium	Ensure recommendations are embedded into the action plans underpinning the themes in the Health and Wellbeing Board Strategy as part of mitigating the legacy of Covid-19.

Appendices

Appendix 1 The Director of Public Health Annual Report for 2020/21 – ‘The Year I Stopped Dancing’

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

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