

Item 8: Covid-19 - update

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To: Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee, 10 June 2021

Subject: Covid-19 - update

Summary: This report invites the Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee to consider the information provided by Kent and Medway CCG.

It provides background information which may prove useful to Members.

1) Introduction

- a) The Committee has received updates on the local response to Covid-19 since their July 2020 meeting.
- b) The Kent and Medway CCG has been invited to attend today's meeting to update the Committee on the response of local services to the continuing covid-19 pandemic as well as the progress of the vaccination rollout locally.

2) Previous monitoring by HOSC

- a) HOSC received its most recent update in March 2021. The main areas of discussion were:
 - The reducing pressure on critical care as infection rates reduced.
 - The unusually high occupancy rates in community hospitals.
 - Progress of the local vaccination rollout.
 - Elective care and related timescales, including the impact of honouring staff leave owed.
 - Two key areas of concern were children and young people's mental health and eating disorders. The Mental Health Learning Disability and Autism Improvement Board were looking into these areas and updates would be provided to HOSC as part of the ongoing monitoring in this area.
- b) Following the discussion, the Committee resolved to note the report.

3) Recommendation

RECOMMENDED that the Committee consider and note the report.

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Background Documents

Kent County Council (2020) 'Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee (22/07/20)',
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