

## EAST STRATEGIC NEIGHBOURHOOD FORUM

**Day:** Wednesday  
**Date:** 14 October 2020  
**Time:** 6.30 pm  
**Place:** Zoom

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| 1.       | <b>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</b><br>To receive any apologies for absence.  |         |
| 2.       | <b>MINUTES</b><br>To receive the Minutes of the meeting of the East Strategic Neighbourhood Forum held on 22 January 2020.       | 1 - 2   |
| 3.       | <b>ITEMS FOR CONSULTATION</b>  |         |
| a)       | <b>COVID-19 UPDATE</b><br>To receive a presentation from the Director of Operations and Neighbourhoods.                          | 3 - 12  |
| b)       | <b>MINIMUM LICENSING STANDARDS CONSULTATION</b><br>To receive a presentation from the Director of Operations and Neighbourhoods. | 13 - 16 |
| c)       | <b>CLEAN AIR PLAN CONSULTATION</b><br>To receive a presentation from the Director of Operations and Neighbourhoods.              | 17 - 20 |

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22 January 2020

**Commenced:** 6.30pm

**Terminated:** 8.00pm

**Present:** Councillors: Pearce, Patrick, J Homer, S Homer, Lane, Sharif and Sweeton

**Apologies for Absence:** Councillors: Billington, Dickinson, Feeley, Gosling, Jackson, Taylor, Wild and Wills

### 9 MINUTES

#### RESOLVED

The minutes of the meeting of the East Strategic Neighbourhood Forum held on 16 October 2019 be approved as a correct record.

### 10 CHILDREN'S SERVICES – CURRENT POSITION AND PLANNED DEVELOPMENT FOR 2020

The Director of Children's Services presented before Members and began by giving details of the three week program of inspection of Local Authority Children's Services in May 2019.

The Director then outlined the judgements arising from the inspection and explained that some important improvements had been made, such as:

- The scale and effectiveness of early help services had been strengthened through a new locality-based model that was now serving most children well;
- A new multi-agency safeguarding hub (MASH) was ensuring that referrals about children for whom there were safeguarding concerns were almost always dealt with quickly and appropriately; and
- An 'edge of care' team was working intensively with families to ensure that children only came into care when they needed to.

However, much progress, particularly in services for children in care, was very new and so impact was inevitably limited.

Improvements and areas of focus over the past 12 months were outlined.

In terms of areas of focus for 2020, it was explained that the system was now more stable, but 2020 would see a continued focus on areas already targeted in 2019 and additionally a specific focus on areas including:

- Work Force Development;
- Consistency in quality;
- Complex Safeguarding;
- Children in Needs;
- Children at the 'cusp of care; and
- Looked after Children – including Fostering, placement sufficiency and permanency.

The Director concluded by explaining that a multi-faceted and co-ordinated approach was required, in order to safely and appropriately reduce the need for Local Authority Care, to stabilise the current

cohort, progress children through to permanency more effectively, step children down where appropriate and provide for a range of placements to best meet children's assessed needs. The seven projects to support these objectives were detailed as follows:

- Early Help and Prevention at a Neighbourhood Level;
- Family Intervention Service;
- Team around the School Plus;
- Duty/Locality Restructure;
- Positive Futures (Respite/Assessment);
- Fostering Service Improvement; and
- Placements Review and Sufficiency.

Members made reference in particular, to the Fostering Service and highlighted the recent review of the Integrated Care and Wellbeing Scrutiny Panel into the recruitment and retention of foster carers. In terms of care leavers, reference was also made to the mentoring service/adviser support scheme, currently being trialled and Members commented on the success of such initiatives in the past.

## **RESOLVED**

**That the content of the presentation be noted.**

## **11 TACKLING POVERTY IN TAMESIDE**

The Director of Population Health submitted a presentation providing information with regard to tackling poverty in Tameside.

It was explained that the Council and partners were rethinking the approach to tackling poverty and the causes of poverty. To do this, engagement was taking place with residents and partners to understand the nature of poverty experienced in Tameside, how it impacted on people's lives and how best to support residents experiencing poverty to move out of poverty.

The presentation provided statistical information in respect of poverty levels in England, including child poverty, with the highest levels of child poverty in Tameside occurring in Ashton and Hyde Godley.

The main causes of poverty were outlined and potential levels of intervention were explored.

Detailed discussion ensued in respect of the content of the presentation and concerns were raised with regard to the levels of poverty both locally and nationally, in particular levels of child poverty and the areas where this was highest in Tameside. Members suggested that the Ridgehill Big Local National Lottery Funding initiative could be utilised to assist with money management/debt education.

The Chair of Tameside Cash Box Credit Union, in attendance at the meeting as a member of the public, gave details of the community savings and loan cooperative, whereby members pooled their savings to lend to one another and helped run the credit union. Ongoing initiatives were also highlighted including education/advice regarding debt management and how this work could be developed.

## **RESOLVED**

**That the content of the presentation be noted.**

**CHAIR**



# A Reminder of the Key Messages

- Regularly wash your hands (20 seconds with soap and running water)
- Maintain social distancing (2m / or 1m with other precautions)
- Wear a face covering
- People with symptoms **must** isolate and stay at home for 10 days (and anyone in the house for 14 days)
- People with symptoms **must** get a test





# Changes to Local Restrictions

**NEW RESTRICTIONS FOR TAMESIDE**  
Let's work together to protect our Tameside community and avoid a local lockdown

**X** Do not socialise with anyone you don't live with or that isn't in your support bubble anywhere indoors or in your garden. If you are outdoors in public, do not gather in groups of more than six IT WORKS!

**Page 5** Keep your social distance IT WORKS!

Wash your hands regularly IT WORKS!

Wear a face covering IT WORKS!

Self-isolate if you have symptoms or are identified as a close contact IT WORKS!

**#ItWorks**

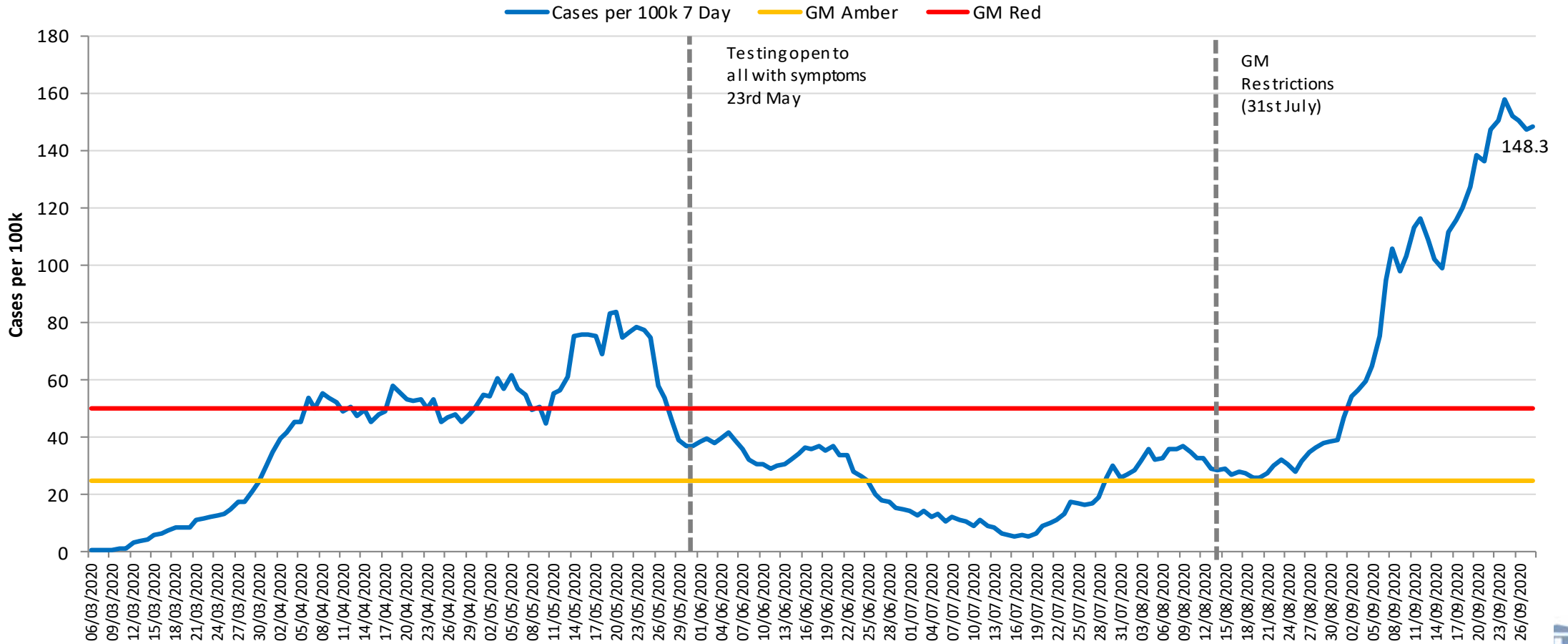
Tameside Metropolitan Borough [www.tameside.gov.uk/itworks](http://www.tameside.gov.uk/itworks) NHS Tameside and Glossop Local Resilience Group

- Hospitality venues now closing from 10pm – 5am
- Increased fines for enforcement action £1000 first offence
- The number restrictions on weddings to 15 people and religious ceremonies/celebrations to 6
- Face coverings for all hospitality and retail workers
- Funerals 30 people limit
- Now illegal not to self-isolate when required to do so. (£200 fine)
- Introduction of the £500 test and trace support payment for those eligible from October 12<sup>th</sup>



# Covid-19 Tameside Surveillance – 14/09/2020 – new positive cases per 100,000 (Pillar I & II)

## Threshold measures- New positive cases per 100,000 people (7 days)-Tameside





# COVID in Tameside

- Rates have increased in recent weeks across all GM boroughs
- The rate in Tameside continues to increase but currently 7<sup>th</sup> in GM
- 336 new cases (309 last week)
- mainly young, white British, working age group
- Increases in BAME community (20% of new cases) – particularly children
- have seen increases in older people with increased deaths and ICU admissions
- spread widely across the borough
- some spread linked to:
  - Hospitality, workplaces
  - Schools / Education settings
  - care homes and hospital



# COVID Testing Update

- With the Covid infection rates increasing, it is really important that people with symptoms get a test.
- This can be done via the national portal website via [www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/](https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/)
- Or by phoning 119



# New LTS (Local Testing Site)

- Darnton Road car park, Ashton under Lyne, OL6 6RL (next to boating lake)
- Open 7 days per week
- 8am to 8pm
- Test availability is determined nationally
- Appointment essential
- Book in the usual way online or by phone



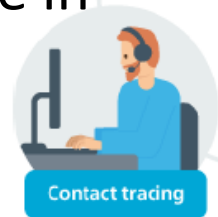
# The NHS COVID-19 app



# What is the NHS COVID-19 app?



NATIONAL EFFORT



- Part of a large scale coronavirus testing and contact tracing programme in England and Wales
- Used alongside Contact Tracing to notify users if they come in contact with someone who has tested positive for coronavirus- including people they don't personally know

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Helps us understand if the virus is spreading in a particular area. Helping us as a local authority to respond quicker stopping the spread and saving lives

- Protects user anonymity. Nobody including the government will know who or where a user is



# Become a Tameside Community Champion

Can you help provide family, friends and other community members with information and support to protect them from Covid?

Sign up to become a community champion.  
[www.tameside.gov.uk/communitychampions](http://www.tameside.gov.uk/communitychampions)

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 **Tameside**  
Metropolitan Borough

 **NHS**  
Tameside and Glossop  
Clinical Commissioning Group



# Greater Manchester Minimum Licensing Standards Consultation





Over  
**2000**  
**TAXIS**  
Licensed In Greater  
Manchester



Over  
**14,000**  
**PRIVATE HIRE**  
**VEHICLES**  
Licensed In Greater  
Manchester





# Minimum Licensing Standards

- Proposing common standards for all taxi and private hire vehicles licensed in Greater Manchester
- Proposals focus on four areas:
  - Drivers – common standards
  - Vehicles – accessibility and emissions
  - Operators - accountability
  - Local authorities – licensing and enforcement
- All proposals subject to consultation



# Minimum Licensing Standards

- Consultation launches 8 October 2020
- Live for 8 weeks (deadline 3 December 2020)
- Overlaps and links in with Greater Manchester Clean Air Plan consultation



# Greater Manchester Clean Air Plan Consultation





Find out about  
Clean Vehicle Funds  
at [cleanairgm.com](https://cleanairgm.com)



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Air pollution  
harms us all



A **Clean Air Zone**  
is coming to  
**Tameside**



Bolton | Bury | Manchester | Oldham | Rochdale | Salford | Stockport | Tameside | Trafford | Wigan



# Clean Air Plan

- Need to reduce harmful air pollution on our local roads
- Proposing to implement Greater Manchester-wide Clean Air Zone
- Request of Government for funding package to support upgrade grant scheme
- All proposals subject to consultation



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