

## COVID-19 EMERGENCY PLANNING HIGHLIGHT REPORT

<b>SERVICE AREAS:</b>	BID DIRECTORATE PCC (Business Intelligence, Strategic Programmes, Commercial and Financial Improvement Programme)
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### **NEW GUIDANCE AND IMPACT**

The Government's guidance has been integral in the reopening of businesses, leisure activities and outdoor attractions to ensure that both staff returning to work and the public are protected as much as possible. The timing of reopening the sports and cultural facilities will be dependent on the delivery model and funding mechanisms following the transfer of services from Vivacity.

New reports published regarding impact of COVID-19 on UK population nationally, which has been used in the first draft of the needs assessment on impacts of COVID-19. Key reports for reference are:

**Disparities in the risk and outcomes of Covid-19. Public Health England. 2020.**

[https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\\_data/file/891116/disparities\\_review.pdf](https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/891116/disparities_review.pdf). This explains initial findings around inequalities in risk and outcome comparing people of different age, gender, ethnicity, deprivation at national level.

**Rainy days -An audit of household wealth and the initial effects of the coronavirus crisis on saving and spending in Great Britain. Resolution Foundation. 22 June 2020.**

<https://www.resolutionfoundation.org/publications/rainy-days/>

This information is used to explain the financial risks and vulnerabilities for families with different economic status.

**Pupil Engagement in Remote Learning. National Foundation for Educational Research (NFER). June 2020.**

<https://www.nfer.ac.uk/news-events/press-releases/new-report-looks-at-pupil-engagement-in-remote-learning-during-the-covid-19-pandemic/> This explores the engagement of pupils in remote learning to replace face to face school lessons during lockdown.

The intention is to use reports like these to extrapolate using local data.

There is more data and insight published every day on the Office of National Statistics website:

<https://www.ons.gov.uk/peoplepopulationandcommunity/healthandsocialcare/conditionsanddiseases/articles/coronaviruscovid19roundup/2020-03-26>

### **NEW CHALLENGES AND ACTIVITY**

There is significant ongoing activity in response to COVID-19 in all areas of the directorate alongside critical business as usual activity. New activity in this period has included:

**Business Intelligence:**

- Continuing support for the Health Protection Board:
  - Daily Surveillance Cell meetings, including identification and flagging of key trends (for example for around risk in Peterborough of transmission when pubs re-open on 4 July)
  - Support for operational planning of Outbreak Management plan including process and case management system specification and design
- Modelling demand in Adults and Children's based on recent flow through service in lockdown and economic assumptions.

**Strategic Programmes:**

- Transport – Updated version of the policy finalised, no changes to eligibility, the emphasis is on lifelong outcomes for young people and will be renamed to School Travel Assistance. Changing the Conversations training is taking place for all relevant staff.

**Commercial**

- Leading due diligence work on Vivacity transition and developing commercial options for new delivery models.

**RECOVERY ACTIVITY**

BID Director chairs the PCC/CCC Recovery Board and is the lead officer for PCC's 'Build Back Better' work.

Plans are in place for the safe opening of businesses in Peterborough City from 4<sup>th</sup> July and the market from 7<sup>th</sup> July. Activities include communications and media briefing, social distancing signage, hand sanitiser stations and additional enforcement resources identified for licenced premises.

The 'return to workplace' activity is prioritising the use of buildings to support children's safeguarding and face to face work with our most vulnerable. Work is underway to ensure the safety of both citizens and staff can be maintained at all times. Most staff continue to work from home.

Business Intelligence have provided continued support recovery sub-groups, especially Economic, Transport, Vulnerable People, with information, analysis and advice. They have also chaired the first meeting of cross-system 'Recovery Information Group' supporting recovery planning in Cambridgeshire and Peterborough and presented first iteration of 'Impact Of COVID-19 Needs Assessment' to Vulnerable People Sub-Group

**DECISIONS MADE SINCE LAST REPORTING PERIOD**

Business Intelligence have started a project to implement Power BI Premium in PCC and replace QlikSense for BI analytics and visualisation

**NEW FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS SINCE LAST REPORTING PERIOD**

BID teams are working closely with Finance to forecast and monitor impact on the MTFS from increased demand and impaired income.

An officer group, chaired by the BID Director, is working through the financial and operational implications of Vivacity's contract notice and resulting transition activities.

**WORKFORCE CHANGES**

No change.

**COMMUNICATIONS**

No change