



**CABINET – 20 OCTOBER 2020**

**CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) IMPACT AND RESPONSE OF THE  
COUNTY COUNCIL – RECOVERY**

**JOINT REPORT OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE AND DIRECTOR  
OF PUBLIC HEALTH**

**Purpose of the Report**

1. The purpose of this report is to advise the Cabinet of the plans to further support the recovery of functions and services in the context of the Covid-19 pandemic and work in hand within the County Council and with partners to continue to respond and to set out plans for the Winter. A supplementary report will be circulated to members nearer the time.

**Recommendations**

2. The Cabinet is asked to have regard to the information in this and the subsequent supplementary report.

**Reason for Recommendations**

3. To advise on the plans in place to support the continued recovery of the Council's functions and services and to respond to the expected winter pressures.

**Background**

4. Coronaviruses are a family of viruses common across the world in animals and humans. COVID-19 is the illness seen in people infected with a new strain of coronavirus not previously seen in humans and began in Wuhan Province in China in December 2019. This has since spread to most parts of the world.
5. The Cabinet has considered reports regarding the impact of the coronavirus pandemic at its meetings in March, April, May and June. These have covered issues such as the impact of the virus across Leicestershire, the Council's plans to respond, the joint working with partners, and the financial implications for the Authority. The County Council on 30 September noted a report which set out the impact of Covid-19 on the Council's finances.

6. A supplementary paper to this report is being produced by officers. This will focus on the latest position, the continued response and recovery work that is taking place across the Authority.
7. Members have continued to receive regular updates including on the latest public health information and guidance, issues pertaining to service areas, and resilience and co-ordinating activity being undertaken by the Local Resilience Forum and the Council.

### **Circulation under the Local Alerts Procedure**

8. This and the supplementary report will be circulated to all members of the County Council.

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