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Purpose – this paper is for:

Decision	Discussion	Assurance	Information
	X	X	X

Has the report (or variation of it) been presented to another Committee / Meeting? N

Executive Summary

The report provides an update on:

- COVID-19 prevention and management arrangements and developments;
- Commissioned service updates
- Warm and Well Cold Homes
- Resources

Recommendations

The Primary Care Commissioning Committee is being asking to:

- Note the content of the report
- Promote engagement with the Approved Provider List extension process
- Work with The Public Health Team and Living Well Smokefree to promote engagement by practices in Scarborough and Harrogate in delivery of smoking cessation
- Promote Warm and Well

CCGs Strategic Objectives supported by this paper

	CCG Strategic Objective	Χ
1	 Strategic Commissioning: To take the lead in planning and commissioning care for the population of North Yorkshire by providing a whole system approach and to support the development of general practice. To make the best use of resources by bringing together other NHS organisations, local authorities and the third sector to work in partnership on improving health and care. To develop alliances of NHS providers that work together to deliver care through collaboration rather than competition. 	х
2	Acute Commissioning: We will ensure access to high quality hospital-based care when needed.	
3	Engagement with Patients and Stakeholders: We will build strong and effective relationships with all our communities and partners.	х
4	Financial Sustainability: We will work with partners to transform models of care to deliver affordable, quality and sustainable services.	х
5	Integrated / Community Care: With our partners and people living in North Yorkshire we will enable healthy communities through integrated models of care.	Х
6	Vulnerable People: We will support everyone to thrive [in the community].	х
7	Well-Governed and Adaptable Organisation: In supporting our objectives we will be a well-governed and transparent organisation that promotes a supportive learning environment.	Х

CCG Values underpinned in this paper

	CCG Values	X
1	Collaboration	Х
2	Compassion	X
3	Empowerment	X
4	Inclusivity	X
5	Quality	X
6	Respect	X

Does this paper	provide evidence	of assurance	against the	Governing	Body	Assurance
Framework?						

YES	x	NO	

If yes, please indicate which principle risk and outline

Principle Risk No	Principle Risk Outline	

Any statutory / regulatory / legal / NHS Constitution implications	N/A
Management of Conflicts of Interest	N/A
Communication / Public & Patient Engagement	In line with North Yorkshire County Council procedures where applicable
Financial / resource implications	N/A
Outcome of Impact Assessments completed	N/A

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1. COVID-19 update

Ongoing delivery of the <u>COVID-19 Outbreak Management Plan</u> and associated national developments remain a key priority for the Public Health Team.

The Public Health Outbreak Management Hub Team continues to work with the North Yorkshire and York Local Resilience Forum, NHS partners, District and Borough Councils, The UK Health Security Agency, Health and Safety Executive and the community and voluntary sector to prevent and manage COVID-19 transmission and outbreaks.

Data on COVID is available on the North Yorkshire County Council website, broken down by County, District/ Borough Council and Middle Super Output Area: https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/coronavirus-data.

The rate of COVID cases per 100,000 population is higher across most Districts in North Yorkshire compared to the England average at the time of writing (14 October 2021), with the exception Richmondshire. The Public Health Team is currently supporting educational settings where the majority of cases are distributed, as well as a smaller number of care settings. Data is carefully monitored in each locality to target action when evidence of/ opportunities for transmission are identified. There is evidence of widespread community and household transmission across most Districts.

The Public Health Team continues to support Educational settings in managing cases and continuing education in line with new Contingency Framework for Education and Childcare settings.

The Public Health Team continues to support the NHS to promote uptake of both doses of the vaccination, as well as facilitate the development of a targeted testing strategy in conjunction with partners and in line with national strategy, which focusses on disproportionately impacted groups such as the homeless and those using substance misuse services etc. We are also supporting the roll out of the 12-15 year old vaccination programme.

Whilst we continue to see infection rates that remain high we are encouraging all organisations to continue to promote the hands, face, space, fresh air messaging, including wearing face coverings when you come into contact with people you do not normally meet, or as requested by an organisation.

A range of updated resources to support workplace settings have been published here: <u>Guidance for workplace settings | North Yorkshire County Council.</u>

<u>Vaccination clinic options are published here: Coronavirus (Covid-19) vaccinations in North</u> Yorkshire | North Yorkshire County Council

2.0 Commissioned services update

2.1 Public health commissioned primary care services – Approved Provider List

North Yorkshire County Council will be extending existing contracts with GP practices and Pharmacies for the provision of a range of primary care based public health services, which are commissioned directly via an Approved Provider List. The extension period will be for a maximum of 3 years – until 31st March 2025.

Practices will soon receive an email informing them of how to register on SigningHub, where they will electronically sign and submit their extension agreement.

The North Yorkshire Public Health Team will continue to work closely with NHS Commissioners and primary care colleagues to design and deliver a prevention offer which is ambitious and fit for purpose.

Recommendation: Promote contract extension process with practices

2.2 Smoking cessation service

The Public Health Team is currently working with North Yorkshire CCG and Living Well Smokefree to promote improved participation in the smoking cessation service provided by GPs. According to Public Health England statistics, Harrogate and Scarborough both have the highest smoking prevalence across North Yorkshire with 14.4% and 13.6% respectively. Latest QOF data and referral statistics from Living Well Smokefree show that there are high numbers of smokers within the practice populations in these two localities but low numbers being seen in-house for support to quit smoking or being referred into the Living Well Smokefree for support.

Smoking is still the single largest cause of preventable ill health and premature death and is a key driver of health inequalities. As part of our continued population health management and reducing inequalities ambitions, it is important that we collectively identify smokers and promote access to and uptake of smoking cessation throughout primary care and via the specialist stop smoking service, Living Well Smokefree.

GP practices can sign up to become part of North Yorkshire County Council's Approved Provider List (APL). Practice staff are supported through training from Living Well Smokefree to provide a stop smoking service in house. Once contracted, practices receive a payment for every successful, validated 4 week quit.

GP practices can also access very brief advice (VBA) training, for any practice staff, provided by Living Well Smokefree. This would provide a brief overview of the specialist service and cover how to have a conversation about smoking and how to refer for specialist support.

Living Well Smokefree is contactable on: 01609 797272.

Email: stop.smoking@northyorks.gov.uk

Recommendation: Promote engagement with the North Yorkshire County Council Public Health Approved Provider list – smoking cessation service, specifically by practices in Scarborough and Harrogate. Promote smoking cessation with practice populations

2.3 NHS Health Check Programme

North Yorkshire will be a pilot site for the national evaluation of digital products to deliver an NHS Heath Check, in partnership with the digital product Evergreen. The evaluation will be completed by Staffordshire University.

3.0 Joint Strategic Needs Assessment – district profiles

District profiles have been updated and are available at: https://www.datanorthyorkshire.org/JSNA/Area Profiles

4.0 Cold Homes

More than one in five excess winter deaths are caused by living in cold homes. Warm and Well provides support for households who are living in fuel poverty or who are struggling to heat their homes. The service can support around energy advice, securing cheaper tariffs, energy top up vouchers, debt write off, emergency heating, warm home discount applications and access to home improvement measures in hard to heat homes. They have seen a huge increase in demand for support over the last 12 months, and in particular amongst the working age population. We are

encouraging all professionals to make every contact count and identify whether a person is living in a cold home or struggling with their fuel bills and make a referral.

Professional or self-referrals can be made via the website www.warmandwell.org.uk or by phoning 01609 767555.

Recommendation: Promote Warm and Well Service to practices and practice populations