

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE STRATEGIC CRISIS MANAGEMENT TEAM
HELD ON 22nd DECEMBER, 2020**

PRESENT: D. Langton, D. Walker, J. Whittaker, J. Watson, M. Mason, J. McDonnell, A. Goode and S. Miller

Apologies for absence were received from P. Mousdale, N. Watson and H. Culshaw.

PART I

466. MINUTES

The Minutes of the Strategic Crisis Management Team meeting held on 15th December, 2020 were submitted.

AGREED

That the Minutes be approved.

467. SITUATIONAL UPDATE

The rate of infection was continuing to increase across Lancashire with a noticeable increase within care homes.

There were concerns that a new variant, which had been identified in the South East and London, would spread around the country.

It was anticipated that the rate of infection would increase over Christmas and therefore the Government had limited contact with other households during this period. There was also a possibility that Lancashire would move into Tier 4 in January.

The Community Support Hub would continue to run over the Christmas and New Year period.

The Chief Executive advised that Group Leaders had agreed that staff be given two extra days leave (29th and 30th December) by a way of saying thank you and in recognition of all their hard work and resilience in responding to the demands of the Covid pandemic. Front line staff would be recompensed in January as their service area would continue to work over this period.

468. LRF UPDATE

An update on discussions at the various LRF Groups was given.

Issues raised included:

- Disposal of clinical waste
- Environment Agency visiting websites to check information about contact tracing
- Surge testing and lack of venues

469. SERVICE POSITION STATEMENTS

An update from each service area was given and overall service provision was continuing. Staff were continuing to respond to demand although there was an increase in demand in some service areas.

The revised Emergency Plan was to be circulated as soon as possible. **David Walker**

470. IT UPDATE

There was nothing further to report.

PART 2

471. TIMETABLE OF REPORTS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

The timetable for future meetings was submitted for consideration in conjunction with the Policy and Resources Work Programme and amended.

AGREED

That items for future meetings be forwarded to Jane Watson.

**All Service Managers/
Jane Watson**