

Gwent Public Service Board Test, Trace & Protect Update 15th December 2022 **Ruth Betty** Service Manager



Finance

Finances are being managed within the funding envelope of £6m.

There are risks associated with potential continuous service payments should the Service be stood down at the 31st March 2023. All recruitment has been frozen to mitigate against this risk in the absence of confirmed funding for 2023/24 and/or a redeployment process being completed.

We are committed to redeploying the workforce to utilise the knowledge and skills gained as the team have many transferable skills.

Awaiting 2023/24 funding to be confirmed.

Decision on the structure of the future will be tabled in early January when the full impact of the WG settlement can be assessed.

Any funding for the future would need to be managed in advance to ensure potential continuous service payments within the period would be reserved in advance of the workforce being agreed or the Service would be stood down earlier to allow for more resources over a shorter time period.



As a partnership we are enthusiastic to continue the transition of the pandemic legacy system to one that will strengthen the Gwent Health Protection system.

Health Protection Preparedness

Outbreak Management Plans.

Developing Pathways for Testing and Vaccinations.

Local Level Surveillance.

Support for resolution of backlogs.

Health Protection Response

Outbreak response to respiratory infectious disease e.g., Vaccinations; Contact Tracing; Welfare Provision; Infection Prevention & Control.

Mobilisation across local partners in Gwent.



Examples of the wider Public Health activities:

- 1. Monkeypox UK outbreak
- 2. Ukrainian Resettlement Programme
- 3. Infection Prevention and Control (IP&C)
- 4. Antiviral Infusion Clinic
- 5. Private Water Supply Registers
- 6. Campylobacter Contact Tracing
- 7. Asylum Seeker Relocation
- 8. Childhood Immunisations Catch Up Programme Polio
- 9. Planning future interventions of response, for example Strep A, PHW lead however locally we are being approached by schools for preventative guidance



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Prawf Gwent, Olrhain, Gwasanaeth Amddiffyn

Performance Summary

Positive Cases	Number		Percentage	
	Gwent	National	Gwent	National
Total	1527	7591		
Eligible for Follow Up	288	1446	19%	19%
Worked	288	1417	100%	98%
Successfully Followed Up	257	1257	89%	87%
Uncontactable Cases	31	189	11%	13%
Followed Up in 24 hours	248	1175	86%	81%
Followed Up in 48 Hours	253	1231	88%	85%



Agree to support the continuation of work to transition the Service to an Integrated Health Protection Service for Gwent to support the benefits to population health outcomes.

Note and agree the actions taken by the service detailed within the report.