Coronavirus response

Purpose of report

For discussion.

Summary

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Recommendation

That the Board discuss and share best practice about the council response to COVID-19, the lessons learnt, and the barriers encountered.

Action

Officers to respond as directed by the Board.

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2. As there are a wide range of issues to discuss a possible structure would be discuss the issues under the following headings:
   1. Early years
   2. Schools
   3. Children’s Social Care
   4. Children’s Health
   5. CYP Mental Health

Implications for Wales

1. The Select Committee submission relates to England as education and children’s services are a devolved matter in Wales

Financial Implications

1. Any actions arising will be met within existing resources

Next steps

1. Officers to take forward any issues raised as a result of the discussion