



**Community and Wellbeing Scrutiny
Committee**
7 March 2023

**Report from the Director of Public
Health, the local ICB team and
NHSE**

Immunisations

Wards Affected:	All
Key or Non-Key Decision:	N/A
Open or Part/Fully Exempt: (If exempt, please highlight relevant paragraph of Part 1, Schedule 12A of 1972 Local Government Act)	Open
No. of Appendices:	Appendix 1 – NHSE Immunisations Report
Background Papers:	N/A
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1.0 Purpose of the Report

- 1.1 The report provides an overview for childhood and seasonal immunisations. It describes current responsibilities for commissioning, delivery, and quality assurance. The paper outlines how immunisation coverage statistics are produced and contains the most recent published data for each programme.
- 1.2 Immunisation rates in Brent and London have been consistently below those elsewhere in the country.
- 1.3 The report discusses action underway to improve childhood and seasonal immunisation and to address health inequalities. Action is being taken to improve the service offer, to improve the quality of data recording and to address the acceptability of the different vaccination offers to different communities within Brent.

2.0 Recommendation(s)

- 2.1 Members of the Brent Community Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee are asked to note and comment upon the work that system partners across London, including NHSE (London) the local authority and the ICB are doing to increase vaccination coverage and immunisation uptake in Brent.

3.0 Detail

3.1 This is contained within the attached report from the NHS

4.0 Financial implications

6.1 There are no financial implications directly arising from this report.

7.0 Legal Implications

7.1 The report describes the legislative arrangements which underpin the commissioning and delivery of childhood immunisations

8.0 Equality Implications

8.1 Local experience and data collection showed significant inequalities in uptake of the COVID vaccination in terms of both ethnicity (lower rates initially in Black and South Asian communities) and deprivation. New ways of working between the NHS, the Council and with local communities including faith organisations have developed in response to these inequalities.

8.2 Unfortunately while local management information systems are increasingly examining health care access and outcomes by deprivation and ethnicity, official immunisation statistics do not report on these variables.

Report sign off:

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