

Surrey Local Outbreak Engagement Board

1. Reference Information

Paper tracking information	
Title:	COVID-19 Surveillance Update
Author:	Dr Naheed Rana, Public Health Consultant - Intelligence and Insights (SCC) naheed.rana@surreycc.gov.uk
Sponsor:	Mrs Sinead Mooney – LOEB Chairman (SCC) Joanna Killian – Chief Executive of Surrey County Council Ruth Hutchinson – Director of Public Health (SCC)
Paper date:	20 November 2020
Related papers	COVID-19 Intelligence Report for Surrey

2. Executive summary

The national NHS Test and Trace Service was established in May 2020 in order to control the rate of reproduction of COVID-19 by reducing the spread of the infection. Public Health teams and partners are responsible for the development and delivery of Local Outbreak Control Plans.

Daily surveillance of COVID-19 data and intelligence is key to identifying increasing rates of COVID-19 in the community and taking prompt action as per Surrey's Escalation Framework (ie deployment of mobile testing units, internal/external communications). A [COVID-19 Intelligence Report for Surrey](#), summarising data that is in the public domain, is now being published every Monday and Thursday. In addition, 7-day cases and rates infographics is now being published daily.

A process to support enhanced Local Contact Tracing data requirements is being established. This includes Data Sharing between Surrey County Council (SCC) and Public Health England (PHE) and setting up data access to support enhanced Local Contact Tracing.

3. Recommendations

- To note the report.
- To continue to provide political oversight of local delivery of the Test and Trace Service.
- To continue to lead the engagement with local communities and be the public face of the local response in the event of an outbreak.
- Members to ensure appropriate information on the programme and on COVID-19 in Surrey is cascaded within their own organisations and areas of influence.

4. Reason for Recommendations

- The recommendations reflect the functions of the LOEB as set out in the Terms of Reference.

5. Detail

The following information provides an overview of COVID-19 Surveillance processes and procedures:

Daily Data Surveillance

Public Health hold daily data surveillance meetings in order to review the COVID-19 data and intelligence on a systematic basis and take prompt action in line with the Escalation Framework (ie requesting deployment of mobile testing units). The Surrey County Council Communications team also attend this meeting.

Enhancements to the postcode level dashboard have been completed are being used in the daily meetings.

Triggers & Escalation

Triggers and escalation between local categories are determined by the Public Health team at the daily data surveillance meetings which consider early warning indicators and agree actions:

- Cases per 100,000 (7 and 14 days)
- Trend including direction and speed of travel
- Test positivity rates
- 60+ age group cases per 100,000
- Exceedance reports
- Contact Tracing intelligence
- Other local intelligence and Insights
- Agreed actions and Notifications

Surrey COVID-19 Weekly Intelligence Summary

A [COVID-19 Intelligence Report for Surrey](#), summarising data that is in the public domain, is now being published every Monday and Thursday.

This report is shared with:

- Local Outbreak Engagement Board
- Health Protection Operational Group
- SLRF including SCG/TCG
- Surrey Heartlands ICS and Frimley ICS
- Incident Management Team
- Environmental Health Officers

6. Challenges

Surveillance and Intelligence is reported and updated daily. We ensure data is reported in a timely manner. However, it is important to note that we are also dependent on data release from Public Health England (and other agencies).

7. Timescale and delivery plan

The daily COVID-19 Surveillance processes and procedures, combined with the Surrey COVID-19 Weekly Intelligence Summary provide ongoing, in depth information to Surrey County Council and System Partners to manage, monitor and take prompt action in line with the Escalation Framework.

The Local Contact tracing data sharing and data access should be in place before 26 November 2020.

8. How is this being communicated?

Official Sensitive surveillance and reporting is shared internally with relevant Boards/members. The external facing intelligence is updated and published on SCC website on Monday and Thursday. In addition, 7-day cases and rates infographics is now being published daily.

9. Next steps

- Ongoing delivery of COVID-19 Surveillance processes, procedures and Local Outbreak Control Plans.
- To establish Local Contact tracing data flow and processes.

This page is intentionally left blank