

Health & Wellbeing Board

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The Hammersmith & Fulham Health & Wellbeing Board met on Monday 29th June. The full reports pack can be found here: [Health and Wellbeing Board - Agenda for 29th June 2021](#)

Covid-19

The Health & Wellbeing Board had a useful update on local Covid-19 vaccination and promotion activities.

Many of you will have seen information about local vaccination centres, where residents can access a vaccination without an appointment. At a recent vaccination day at Chelsea Football Club, 6,200 people attended to get a vaccine – a really impressive result.

You may have also seen the Covid-19 vaccination bus, which offers a mobile drop-in vaccination service. The bus initiative has proved extremely successful, siting itself in the areas of the borough where the take up of Covid-19 vaccinations has been low. The bus team consists of staff from a wide range of ethnicities and communities, which in itself has encouraged residents to be confident and reassured enough to access the opportunity of the vaccine.

Residents are able to talk informally to staff, watch how the system works, and chat to other residents who are getting the vaccine. This has frequently resulted in people deciding then and there to get the vaccination. Offering an instant and on-site vaccination, without the need to book or travel has proven a definite winning approach.



Youth Justice System

The agenda included a useful and informative presentation on the Youth Criminal Justice System. Hammersmith and Fulham Youth Offending Service (YOS) focus on getting the best possible outcomes for young people who offend by working with their partners to support young people through the justice system, reintegrating into their local communities and reducing their risk of reoffending.

The YOS work with the council's early help and intervention services to prevent escalation and divert our young people away from statutory services, including social care and the youth justice system. A collaborative approach brings together Community Safety and the council's Gangs and Anti-Social Behaviour

Units. The YOS team includes a wellbeing team, including educational psychologists and specialist support with speech and language, mental health and substance misuse.

There is a clear disproportionality of young people from BAME backgrounds represented in the youth offending service. Around 60-80% of the YOS cohort are from BAME communities – a worrying statistic when you consider that the local population is only 32% BAME.

Some interesting data was presented which showed that across the cohort of YOS users:

- 19% have special education needs or disabilities
- 37% have speech and language concerns
- 47% had some form of contact with mental health services

Sobus reminded the Board and officers from the YOS, that a high number of local community organisations are supporting families with children and young people who are at risk of being either involved in or a victim of crime. For many communities, these organisations are the ones they turn to for help and support – therefore it is vital to encourage and support engagement with front line VCS organisations who are in direct contact, and have a strong trust relationship with the diverse communities in Hammersmith & Fulham.

Integrated Care Partnership

The Board received a report from Lisa Redfern and Philippa Johnson, the co-Chairs of the H&F ICP. Their report recapped the current areas of focus and immediate priorities of the ICP:

1. Staying well – people of all ages supported to live well
2. Living with illness – keep people well at home, avoid hospital admissions
3. Mental health: tackle the impact of Covid-19 on people of all ages and focus on holistic mental wellbeing support
4. Recovery: restoration of health and care services following Covid-19
5. ICP Development

The full report outlines progress made against each of these priorities in recent months.

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