

Report to HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD

Supporting patients with Long COVID, Chronic Pain and Fatigue

Portfolio Holders:

Councillor Chauhan, Cabinet Member for Public Health

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Purpose of the Report

In September 2021, Cllr H Sykes wrote to the Chair of the Health and Wellbeing Board, Cabinet Member for Health and Social Care, and Director of Public Health requesting that the Health and Wellbeing Board consider the provision of care for patients living with chronic pain and fatigue conditions within the Borough (Appendix 2).

In response to this letter, Dr Murugesan Raja and Dr Rebecca Towns are briefing the Board on the services available for patients with Long COVID, and how these relate to provision for patients with chronic pain and fatigue. There will also be an opportunity for Board members to discuss current commissioning arrangements and services for chronic pain and fatigue.

Requirement from the Health and Wellbeing Board

Board members are asked to note the report and discuss the questions raised in Cllr Sykes letter of 2/9/21.