



## Bristol Health and Wellbeing Board

Title of Report:	<b>Maximising Vaccine Uptake</b>
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Purpose:	Oversight and assurance

- Paper to be no more than two pages long
- Draft papers are reviewed by the Public Health team
- Final papers will be published on the [public website](#)
- Board correspondence: [HWB@bristol.gov.uk](mailto:HWB@bristol.gov.uk)

### 1. Executive Summary

This paper will set out the background to the work, key actions that have been taken, and new and existing partnerships and ways of working. It highlights outstanding issues and requests assurance from the board as well as making recommendations for consideration by the Board.

### 2. Purpose of the Paper

This paper highlights the actions taken by Bristol City Council and partners to address the disproportionate impact of COVID-19 on Black, Asian and minority ethnic communities as reported at the start of the pandemic in May 2020, including maximising vaccine uptake in black Asian and minority ethnic groups.

### 3. Background and evidence base

In April 2020 Deputy Mayor Cllr Asher Craig and the Mayor of Bristol Marvin Rees asked Public Health to commission a rapid review to assess why the risk of death from Covid-19 is higher among black, Asian and minority ethnic than the white population in Bristol. This was undertaken by ARC West to under their Covid-19 rapid review programme. The report, led by Dr Loubaba Mamluk and Dr Tim Jones, explores why this is the case and offers a summary of policy recommendations that could help reduce these health inequalities.

Links to the reports are here:

- [ARC West rapid review on the disproportionate impact of Covid-19 on Black, Asian and minority ethnic communities \(BRR\)](#)
- [Public Health England report: COVID-19: understanding the impact on Black, Asian and minority ethnic communities \(PHE\)](#)

This work relates directly to the one city goal - 'COVID-19 vaccination uptake will be maximised in groups most impacted by and already experiencing inequalities in health'.

We have drawn on national and local data sets to identify where vaccine uptake is low, and where there are increased infection rates to inform our work.

#### **4. Community/stakeholder engagement**

Stakeholder engagement has been key to all actions taken. Bristol Race Equality Covid-19 Steering Group is a citywide group made up of diverse communities and organisations. There are representatives from Health partners, both public sector and voluntary sector organisations alongside faith groups and representatives from diverse communities.

#### **5. Recommendations**

To provide feedback and guidance on the progress and next steps.

To give some direction on where the Bristol Race Equality COVID-19 Steering Group should sit and report into going forward, given the wide make up of this group.

#### **6. City Benefits**

This work addresses health inequality through COVID-19 and supports the vaccine uptake of groups already experiencing health inequalities.

#### **7. Financial and Legal Implications**

Not applicable

#### **8. Appendices**

Please see attached report

Recommendations and Actions paper – highlights all actions taken

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