

# Health and Wellbeing Board

Update on progress of Havering Testing Strategy

## Background

Aims and purposes of testing are:

- **Diagnosis:** Confirmation of diagnosis in clinical management (pillar 1)
- **Detection:** Identification of cases of Covid-19 for purposes of specific action to prevent viral spread (pillars 1 & 2)
- **Surveillance:** to determine circulating disease levels and inform policy decisions for population health measures (pillars 3 and 4)

## Progress of Havering Testing Strategy: Background

- **In scope:**
  - Ensuring good access to Pillar 2 testing (symptomatic and asymptomatic) across the Borough
  - Local approach to asymptomatic testing
- **Out of scope**
  - CQC-registered care homes testing
  - Schools based testing
  - Other national testing programmes (employers 250+, statutory organisations)
- **Limitations**
  - Home testing: awaiting decision from DHSC on home testing
  - Smart testing: awaiting national policy changes (serial testing, test to release, etc)

## Progress of Havering Testing Strategy: Content

- **Focus:**
  - Priority for LFT: the working population (paid and volunteers) who are unable to work from home, noting that
    - priority groups may alter as restrictions change
    - anyone not in a priority group may obtain a PCR test (currently asymptomatic as well as symptomatic)
- **Community LFT Sites (for priority groups):**
  - Currently 3 community testing sites in the borough: Elm Park library, Harold Wood library, Collier Row library
  - Expansion on community testing subject to agreement of Annex A (to be submitted to DHSC)
- **Non-public LFT Sites**
  - To date
    - Adult day care settings
  - In development
    - Non-CQC registered housing locations (for vulnerable residents)
    - Council services
- **Partners**
  - Local authorities requested to work with statutory partners and infrastructure to collaborate on asymptomatic testing

## LB Havering Covid-19 Test Sites

| ID | Site Type | Site Name                       | Site Address                                   | Postcode | Permanent / Temporary |
|----|-----------|---------------------------------|--|----------|-----------------------|
| 1  | MTU       | Romford Town Hall               | Havering Town Hall, Romford                    | RM1 3BB  | Temporary             |
| 2  | LTS       | Romford Town Hall Rear car park | Romford Town Hall Park End Road, Romford       | RM1 4AU  | Permanent             |
| 3  | MTU       | Dorrington Gardens              | Dorrington Gardens, Hornchurch                 | RM12 4HX | Temporary             |
| 4  | LFT       | Elm Park Library                | Elm Park Library, St Nicholas Avenue, Elm Park | RM12 4PT | Permanent             |
| 5  | LTS       | Cherry Tree Lane                | Cherry Tree Lane, Rainham Road, Rainham        | RM13 7RJ | Permanent             |
| 6  | MTU       | Upminster Station               | 70 Station Rd, Upminster                       | RM14 2TD | Temporary             |
| 7  | LFT       | Harold Wood Library             | Harold Wood Library, Arundel Road, Harold Wood | RM3 0RX  | Permanent             |
| 8  | LTS       | Dagnam Park Drive               | Central Park Leisure Centre, Harold Hill       | RM3 9LB  | Permanent             |
| 9  | LFT       | Collier Row Library             | 45 Collier Row Road, Romford                   | RM5 3NR  | Permanent             |

