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## **Cabinet**

**26 May 2020**

### **Covid-19 Response**

#### **Report by the Chief Executive**

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### **Summary**

Attached at the Appendix is an account of actions taken by the Council in response to the Covid-19 pandemic as well as work with partner agencies including the NHS and the response to guidance and initiatives from the Government. It also sets out initial thinking on reset work, which will be Cabinet led and coordinated through a single plan.

A verbal update will be provided at the meeting to ensure an up-to-date picture on activity underway, given the fast-moving nature of current events.

### **Recommendations**

Cabinet is asked to consider and comment on the Council's response to the Covid-19 pandemic.

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### **Details**

The details of this item for consideration are set out in the attached Appendix.

### **Implications**

The resource implications of the Covid-19 emergency response are being assessed and will be part of the verbal update to Cabinet. There are significant risk implications, including risk to the delivery of Council services due to staff shortages (both Council staff and contractors). Business continuity plans have been implemented and risks are being monitored by the Executive Leadership Team as well as by the Strategic and Tactical Management Groups which make up the County Council's governance of the emergency response underneath the Sussex Resilience Forum.

Decisions required to address Covid-19 include assessments in accordance with Council policy and the statutory framework of duties and responsibilities including those relating to Equality, Human Rights, Social Value, Sustainability and Crime and Disorder Reduction implications.

**Becky Shaw**

Chief Executive

**Appendix A**

- West Sussex Covid-19 Briefing

**Background papers**

None