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Subject: RE: Covid-19: Shielding

Chris

I dialled in to this Mark Sedwill update on a variety of Covid topics at 6.00 this evening. This paper was on the agenda.

The line wasn't great but it's clear this is not a UK-wide initiative. I pointed out that we are looking at measures to achieve similar objectives. There are some good ideas in here which we should consider including the arrangements to identify the vulnerable, though the delivery arrangements will need to be local.

I said it was unlikely we'd be using the army to deliver packages to the vulnerable.....

Can I ask Tracy if DfC were involved in the development of these ideas - while the solutions may not be ideal for us, this is the type of thing where we could save ourselves time and effort if we were involved from the start of the policy development process.

David

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From: Stewart, Chris (TEO) <chris.stewart@executiveoffice-ni.gov.uk>

Date: Wednesday, 18 Mar 2020, 21:04

[See recipients listed above]

Colleagues

To see. This dropped out of the sky at 5.00pm with no prior warning.

The CCS approach to communication is frustrating in the extreme.

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Subject: RE: Covid-19: Shielding

Simon

Thank you.

Apologies that, due to other pressures, I was only able to join the very end of the call today, and missed much of the discussion.

I am, therefore, unsighted on this initiative other than the content of the slide pack. Is it the intention that this will be a UK wide initiative organised entirely centrally; or will it involve central procurement but local delivery; or is it something that DAs are being invited to replicate locally?

Chris

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Hi Reg,

The attached slide pack was used at the meeting with Mark Sedwill this evening.

There was a conference call at 5 ahead of that - not sure what happened as from our end it looked like you were invited, but something might have gone wrong, apologies if so.

Thanks,

JD



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On Wed, 18 Mar 2020 at 20:20, <Reg.Kilpatrick@gov.wales> wrote:

Thanks Simon. It would be very helpful to see some paper or plans (or the slide pack material sent to LAs in England) first thing tomorrow to help the discussion at COBR. Did I miss a conference call earlier?

Reg Kilpatrick

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Reg,

This issue is still planned for discussion at PM chaired COBR tomorrow for announcement soon after. It was discussed this evening at Mark Sedwill's officials meeting. Sian, Lesley and David dialled in

Based on that and the earlier call I had with some, the principles and purpose is shared between us and we are working to similar timetables. The delivery arrangements of any support will be determined locally in England and the DAs

If anyone wants to discuss anything further before the COBR tomorrow, please let me know.

Best wishes

Simon

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On Wed, 18 Mar 2020 at 18:16, <Reg.Kilpatrick@gov.wales> wrote:

Hi all,

Is this still a priority for tomorrow?

Reg Kilpatrick

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Lucy

Thank you, and apologies for the late reply (with Ministers most of the morning). I am free until 2, and then after 3.30.

Chris

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Sent: 18 March 2020 09:50

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NR, Reg, Chris

I am copying Simon Ridley, Cabinet Office DG newly responsible for co-ordination on health and social care during the pandemic. He needs to speak to you as early as possible today about shielding of vulnerable people. I'm emailing to make the contacts and know Simon would be keen to arrange a conference call.

Best wishes and hope you are all keeping well

Lucy

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