

14. Cabinet Committees

Local Outbreak Engagement Board

The Isle of Wight COVID-19 Local Outbreak Engagement Board (LOEB) is a councillor-led oversight board that forms part of the overall governance arrangements established by the council in relation to local COVID-19 outbreaks.

It is a committee of the Cabinet, established, appointed to and chaired by the Executive Leader.

The council's Procedure Rules apply to meetings of the Board in the same way as they do to meetings of the Cabinet.

The primary functions of the LOEB are to:

- (a) have political oversight relating to outbreak response and, in particular, the local delivery of the Outbreak Control Plan
- (b) provide direction and lead the engagement with local communities
- (c) be the public face of the council's response in the event of an outbreak of COVID-19
- (d) receive regular updates from the Health Protection Board via the Director of Public Health
- (e) be consulted by the Director of Public Health and other officers in relation to the exercise of COVID-19-related statutory powers, where the anticipated costs of exercising such powers exceeds the allocated budget
- (f) exercise such other powers or functions as may be delegated to it by the Executive Leader from time to time

The LOEB shall comprise the following members:

- (a) Executive Leader (chairman)
- (b) Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Community Protection and Digital Transformation
- (c) Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care, Public Health and Housing Needs

Officers will be required to attend meetings of the LOEB as required, typically the Chief Executive and the Director of Public Health (or their nominees).

The quorum of the LOEB will be three councillors.

The LOEB meets as and when considered necessary by the chairman.