

COVID-19 update for Children's Scrutiny

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Update on Covid Position in Bolton

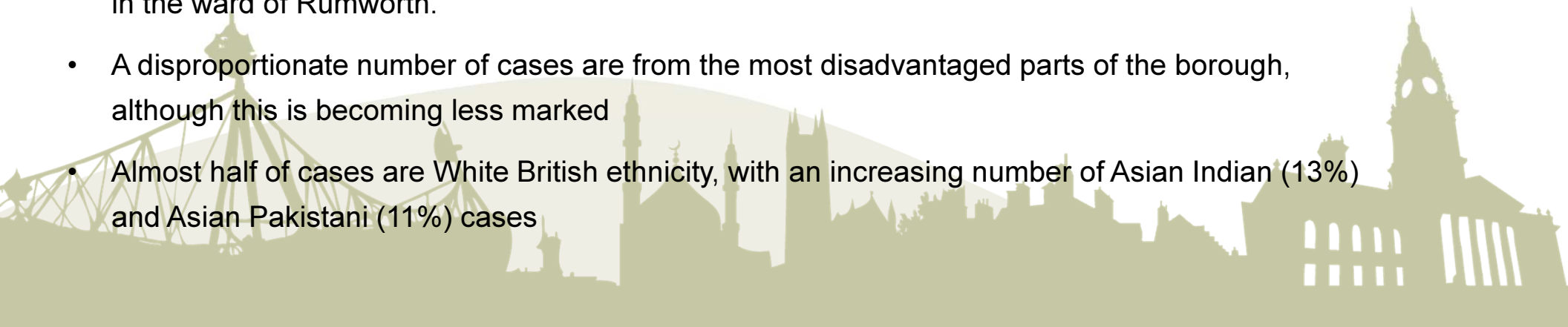
For the last 7 days (Week to 13th October):

- The number of positive cases amongst Bolton residents remains high
- Bolton has an average of 149 cases per day
- The 7 day rate per 100,000 is 363.4/100,000
- Total number of cases in the last 7 days is 1,045
- Testing rate 410/100,000
- Positivity rate 13.7%



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- The picture continues to be one of high rates with widespread transmission in the community.
- Cases appear to be more dispersed across all age groups and have been increasing within the older age groups (65+)
- Around a third of cases in the last week are aged 16-34
- Although new COVID-19 cases are widespread across Bolton, Crompton and Farnworth wards have seen the highest week on week change respectively; numbers of new cases remain highest in the ward of Rumworth.
- A disproportionate number of cases are from the most disadvantaged parts of the borough, although this is becoming less marked
- Almost half of cases are White British ethnicity, with an increasing number of Asian Indian (13%) and Asian Pakistani (11%) cases



COVID-19 update on children and young people in Bolton

- Weekly webinars have taken place with education leads from primary, secondary and special schools
- Support for contact tracing in schools with advice on class bubble management
- Catch up campaigns for school aged immunisation and vaccination programmes planned.
- Targeted communication campaigns-Self-Isolation is the current campaign including letter for parents, advice poster, FAQs on council website, translated resources
- Programme of engagement with local children and young people facilitated through Bolton Fund e.g. Bolton Youth Voice film

