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## **Re: Freedom of Information Request - Covid-19 vaccines**

Thank you for your request for information made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, which was received into this office on 20<sup>th</sup> January 2021.

### **You Asked for:**

1. Will Wirral be getting supplies of the Oxford Astrazeneca and/or Johnston and Johnston (J&J) Janssen Covid-19 vaccines? It seems that only the PfizerBiontech vaccine is being given to patients at the moment (Woodchurch Leisure Centre).

For various reasons some people may prefer to receive the Adenoviral OxfordAZ or J&J Janssen vaccines, rather than the mrna PfizerBiontech or Moderna.

2. Will the OxfordAZ or J&J Janssen vaccines become available in Wirral and, if so, when and where?
3. Will we be told at the time of vaccination which vaccine we are being given?
4. Can we be sure of getting the same vaccine at the second dose?

### **Our Response:**

1. Vaccine supply is managed nationally and vaccine supplies are only confirmed in the days prior to each delivery. The sites across Wirral have all received combinations of the PfizerBiontech vaccine and AstraZeneca (AZ) vaccine.
2. The AZ vaccine has been available across Wirral as per above answer.
3. Yes, all patients are informed during the consenting process.
4. At the time of writing, all second doses will follow the same vaccine that was administered at the first dose. This will only change if national guidance changes based on any future research findings.

We hope this information is useful, however if you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact a member of the Corporate Affairs Team (contact details at the top of this letter)

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