

# Children and Families Overview and Scrutiny Committee 2007

## Report from the Director of Policy and Regeneration

For Action Wards Affected: ALL

Report Title: Impact of PCT savings proposals for Children and Families in Brent.

Forward Plan Ref:

### 1.0 Summary

1.1 Members are asked to consider the attached report on the impact of proposed savings in physiotherapy services in Hay Lane School. The committee will receive a verbal update from the children and families department on how the savings have impacted upon other services in Brent.

#### 2.0 Recommendations

2.1 Members are asked to comment on the impact of the PCT savings proposals and consider how to respond.

#### 3.0 Detail

- On the 18<sup>th</sup> April 2007 the Children and Families Overview and Scrutiny Committee considered a report on the proposed savings within the PCT. Lesley Greenhill, General Manager and Bashir Arif, Director of Integrated Health Services at the PCT also attended this meeting to answer questions from the committee. Members agreed that further reports would be presented to the committee as the situation progressed.
- 3.2 Teachers from Hay Lane School have compiled a report detailing the implications of changes to physiotherapy services. This is attached at Appendix 1. Members of the committee are asked to consider these

proposals along with a verbal update from Children and Families Department on the potential impact on other Children and Families Services in Brent.

The impact on of the PCT savings is also being dealt with at a corporate level. The Chief Executive of the Council, Garth Daniel, convenes a meeting with senior officers, including the Director of Children and Families John Christie, every fortnight to monitor the situation. Gareth Daniel also meets with the Director of the PCT on a fortnightly basis. A meeting was also held between the Leader and Chief Executive of the Council and Lord Hunt, Department of Health and Phil Woolas, Department for Communities and local government to discuss the current situation regarding the proposed financial savings.

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