



Health Select Committee
4th October 2006

**Report from the
Director of Policy & Regeneration**

Wards Affected:
ALL

**Healthcare Commission Investigation
into Maternal Deaths at Northwick Park Hospital**

1.0 Summary

- 1.1 This report provides an executive summary (**Appendix (A)**) of the full report of the recent Healthcare Commission (HCC) investigation into 10 maternal deaths at, or following delivery at, Northwick Park Hospital (North West London Hospitals NHS Trust) between April 2002 and April 2005.
- 1.2 This item is provided for information only. Mary Wells, Chief Executive, North West London Hospitals NHS Trust, will provide a verbal update to the committee and will be available to address any questions or issues that are raised.

2.0 Recommendations

- 2.1 That the committee agree to periodic updates relating to the implementation of the action plan (**Appendix B**) resulting from the HCC Investigation.

3.0 Detail

- 3.1 This report was published by the Healthcare Commission on the 23rd August 2006. It followed a series of internal reviews and a request for an external review by the HCC by Brent tPCT and Harrow PCT.
- 3.2 A summary of key recommendations are included within executive summary (**Appendix A**).

3.3 The full report can be found at:

<http://www.healthcarecommission.org.uk/yourlocalhealthservices>

Or is available by request.

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