

Health Partnerships Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Wednesday, 16 February 2011 at 7.00 pm Brent Town Hall, Forty Lane, Wembley HA9 9HD

Membership:

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Agenda

Introductions, if appropriate.

Apologies for absence and clarification of alternate members

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1 Declarations of personal and prejudicial interests

Members are invited to declare at this stage of the meeting, any relevant financial or other interest in the items on this agenda.

- 2 Deputations (if any)
- 3 Minutes of the previous meeting

4 Matters arising (if any)

5 Primary Care Services in Brent update

NHS Brent's report sets out the position with GP services in each of the Brent GP clusters (and commissioning consortia) – Willesden, Kingsbury, Wembley, Kilburn and Harness. The report acknowledges that succession planning is an area that the GP clusters have all considered, but one that requires further work. NHS Brent is giving assurance that it is dealing with this issue and that it is aware of and agreed a number of changes to primary care in the next six months – these are detailed in the report. There are two further potential changes expected, but these are not agreed with contractors and so information on these is not included.

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6 GP Commissioning Pathfinder - verbal report

7 Public Health White Paper

The Health Partnerships Overview and Scrutiny Committee has asked for a briefing paper on the Public Health White Paper, *Healthy Lives, Healthy People*, which was published on the 30th November 2010. The White Paper contains more detail on the reforms to public health services in England that were originally set out in *Equity and Excellence – Liberating the NHS*. The most significant change for local government is the transfer of public health responsibilities to councils to be funded by a ring fenced

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budget to be allocated based on relative health inequalities and deprivation. Shadow arrangements will be put in place from April 2012, with full responsibilities being formally handed over from April 2013.

The council will be submitting a formal response to the Public Health White Paper before the deadline on the 8th March 2011. It should be noted that since the Public Health White Paper was published, the Health and Social Care Bill has been put before parliament. That clarifies some of the points in the White Paper and this report has encompassed some of the key points in the bill, as well as the White Paper. The Health Partnerships Overview and Scrutiny Committee is advised to consider the implications for public health services and make recommendations to be included in the council's final response to the Public Health White Paper

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Khat in Brant		

8 Khat in Brent

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Members of the Health Partnerships Overview and Scrutiny Committee have asked for a report from NHS Brent on Khat use in the borough. Members have concerns about the prevalence of Khat use in parts of Brent and were keen to know more about the problems associated with this drug. The NHS Brent paper is attached at appendix 1 to this cover note.

Since the request was made for the report, officers in the Strategy, Partnerships and Improvement Unit have been approached by members suggesting that a task group is established to investigate in more detail the use of Khat in Brent and the consequences it has on users and their families. There is capacity within the unit to support this work if the Health Partnerships Overview and Scrutiny Committee want to establish a task group.

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9 Fuel Poverty and Health Scrutiny Task Group report

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This report sets out the findings and recommendations of the Fuel Poverty and Health Task Group that are being presented to the Health Partnerships Overview and Scrutiny Committee for its endorsement.

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10 Health services for people with learning disabilities task group

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The Health Partnerships Overview and Scrutiny Committee has asked for an update on the implementation of the recommendations arising from the health services for people with learning disabilities task group. The task group was carried out in 2009/10 and its findings were reported to the Executive in September 2010. The Overview and Scrutiny Committee agreed to set up a task group to consider concerns amongst carers about the difficulties that people with learning disabilities face when accessing health services.

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11 Childhood Immunisation task group

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The Health Partnerships Overview and Scrutiny Committee has asked for an update on the implementation of the recommendations arising from the Childhood immunisation task group. The task group was carried out in 2009/10 and its findings were reported to the Executive in April 2010. The task group's recommendations, the original responses from NHS Brent and the latest update are included at appendix 1 to this report. Appendix 2 contains information on the latest immunisation performance in the borough, broken down into GP cluster group

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12 Health Partnerships Overview and Scrutiny Committee Work 93 - 104 **Programme**

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13 Any Other Urgent Business

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