Developing older adult mental health day hospital services in Brent – Service reconfiguration at Belvedere Day Hospital

1.0 Summary

1.1 Councillor Chris Leaman, chair of the Brent Health Select Committee has asked Central and North West London NHS Foundation Trust (CNWL) to provide a report for the committee on the plans to reconfigure services provided at Belvedere Day Hospital. This followed an approach to Councillor Leaman from service users concerned at the plans for the day hospital.

1.2 CNWL has provided an overview of their proposals for Belvedere House, as well as setting out the context for the proposed changes (see appendix 1). As their report says, “in recent years there has been an increasing focus on the modernisation of day hospital provision within both adults and older adult’s mental health services. A national agenda has seen the focus of services moving away from being "building based" to providing a model of community based support. This has seen a model developed that increases social inclusion and participation, and a move away from the traditional model of clients being transported to a day service, attending and then returning home”.

1.3 The Health Select Committee is recommended to question officers from CNWL on their proposals for Belvedere Day Hospital, and also on the modernisation of mental health services in Brent. Over the last year, the Health Select Committee has considered in detail services provided by NHS Brent and North West London NHS Hospitals Trust, but has not given much consideration to mental health services. This provides a good opportunity to do this. Natalie Fox, Service Director, Older Adult Directorate, Robyn Doran, Director of Operations and Attumani Dainkeh, Service Manager will attend the meeting from CNWL.

2.0 Recommendations

2.1 The Health Select Committee is recommended to question officers from CNWL on the proposals for services at Belvedere Day Hospital and mental health service modernisation in Brent.
3.0  Financial Implications
3.1  None

4.0  Legal Implications
4.1  None

5.0  Diversity Implications
5.1  None

6.0  Staffing/Accommodation Implications (if appropriate)
6.1  None

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