

Health Partnerships Overview and Scrutiny Committee 5 April 2011

Report from the Director of Strategy, Partnerships and Improvement

Wards Affected: ALL

Better services for local children – Paediatric Services for Brent and Harrow

1.0 Summary

- 1.1 Members will be updated by officers from North West London NHS Hospitals Trust on the implementation of the new arrangements for paediatric services at Northwick Park and Central Middlesex Hospitals. At the committee's meeting in July 2010, the results of the public consultation on the hospital trust's plans were outlined, showing that there was broad support for the proposal. Members were keen to ensure that the implementation of the new services (two paediatric assessment units, one at each hospital, with inpatient services at Northwick Park) was successful and requested a report back for April 2011.
- 1.2 NWL Hospitals Trust have provided a report on its paediatric services. The main conclusions from that report are that paediatric admissions have shifted from Central Middlesex Hospital to Northwick Park in line with predictions. The Sickle Cell service, which was a concern to the Health Select Committee in 2009/10, has been through a positive review since the transition to inpatient services at Northwick Park. Overall the Trust is reporting that the transition has been a success.

2.0 Recommendations

2.1 The Health Partnerships Overview and Scrutiny Committee is recommended to consider the update on the implementation of the new arrangements for paediatric services in Brent and Harrow and question officers from North West London NHS Hospitals Trust on the progress in developing these services.

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