



Health Partnerships Overview and Scrutiny Committee 27th March 2012

Report from the Director of Strategy, Partnerships and Improvement

For Action

Wards Affected:
ALL

Shaping a Healthier Future Update

1.0 Summary

- 1.1 Members will recall that at the Health Partnerships Overview and Scrutiny Committee on the 7th February 2012 Rob Larkman, Chief Executive of NHS Brent and Dr Mark Spencer, Medical Director at NHS North West London, gave a presentation on the Shaping a healthier future project. Shaping a healthier future is NHS NWL's plan to reconfigure health services in the cluster, in both the acute and primary care sectors. A public consultation on the proposals is to take place from June 2012. At present the project is in the pre consultation stage, where options for change are being developed.
- 1.2 Since the committee's last meeting a further briefing with health scrutiny councillors in North West London has taken place. A meeting was held on the 29th February 2012, attended by Cllr Ann Hunter (representing the Health Partnerships OSC) where members received an update on the project. The slides from this meeting are included as an appendix to this report.
- 1.3 As well as receiving an update on the project, members had the opportunity to discuss the establishment of a Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee for North West London to scrutinise the proposals. The majority of boroughs in the cluster have informally committed to taking part in a JOSOC, although the details and arrangements for its operation are still to be worked out. An update will be provided verbally at the committee on the 27th March.
- 1.4 At this stage members are asked to note the progress with the Shaping a healthier future project, and the arrangements being put in place to form a North West London Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee to scrutinise the proposals once consultation begins in June 2012.

2.0 Recommendations

- 2.1 The Health Partnerships Overview and Scrutiny Committee is recommended to consider the slides provided by NHS North West London on the Shaping a healthier

future project and note the progress to date. An update on the establishment of a Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee for North West London to scrutinise the proposals will be reported verbally at the meeting.

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