

Health Partnerships Overview and Scrutiny Committee 18th July 2012

Report from the Director of Strategy, Partnerships and Improvement

For Action Wards Affected:

Brent Tobacco Control Service – Progress Report

1.0 Summary

- 1.1 NHS Brent has provided an update on the Tobacco Control work taking place in the borough. Three separate papers have been provided for the committee to consider and scrutinise:
 - (i). Tobacco Control Progress Report
 - (ii). NHS Brent Stop Smoking Service Update
 - (iii). Clear Thinking CLeaR Model Assessment for Excellence in Local Tobacco Control London Borough of Brent
- 1.2 The committee last received a report from the Tobacco Control Service in April 2011, so an update is overdue. One the committee's key functions is to consider how the PCT and council are working towards eliminating health inequalities in Brent. The work that the Tobacco Control Alliance and Stop Smoking service does contributes to this goal.
- 1.3 Members should note that whilst the Stop Smoking service is currently an NHS function, it is one of the services that transfers to local government in April 2013 as part of the public health transfer. Brent Council will be responsible for delivering this service as of 1st April next year.
- 1.4 Amanda Wilson, Brent's Tobacco Control Officer and Simon Bowen, Acting Director of Public Health, will be at the committee to present this item and answer members' questions.

2.0 Recommendations

2.1 The Health Partnerships Overview and Scrutiny Committee is recommended to consider the Tobacco Control and Stop Smoking reports from NHS Brent and question officers on the work being done in this area.

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