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Dear Mark, Dr Patel

Re: Scrutiny Committee Recommendations

Thank you again for attending last night's meeting of the Community and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee.

The following recommendations were made by the scrutiny committee and I would be grateful if you could respond to them in writing within the timeframe in the guidance. ¹ They are grouped in order of the two items as presented yesterday.

Financial Recovery Plan

- 1. To ensure that under the financial recovery plan local services are maintained at a sufficient level to continue meeting the needs of Brent residents.
- 2. To request that the CCG undertake an Equality Impact Assessment in relation to all four strands of the overall strategy.
- 3. To request that the CCG review changes proposed to the Urgent Care Centre at Central Middlesex Hospital and the Cricklewood Walk-In Centre with regard to their impact on Primary Care, and be asked to reconsider their plans regarding the future of the Urgent Care Centre and put any proposals for its closure to a full public consultation.
- 4. That the CCG be requested to reverse their decision to close the Urgent Care Centre at Central Middlesex Hospital.

¹ 'Local Authority Health Scrutiny: Guidance to Support Local Authorities and Their Partners to Deliver Effective Health Scrutiny' (Department of Health, June 2014) p13

5. That the CCG be requested to provide a further update regarding the Financial Recovery Plan in 6 months' time following the winter period.

NWL Commissioning Reform

- 1.To request that the CCG guarantee that the new structure will include local governance arrangements with lay people to be fully involved.
- 2. To request that should the proposals for a single CCG proceed this is seen as an opportunity to further develop and integrate health and social care provision within the new structure.
- 3. That the CCG be requested to report back to the scrutiny committee before any final decision is made regarding the new structure in relation to both the financial position and lessons learnt as a result of the shadow arrangements currently in place.

Please note this letter and your response will be published with the agenda papers for a future meeting of the committee. I will send a copy of this letter to Cllr Sheth, Chair of the Community and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee, for his reference.

Yours sincerely,

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