

Health Select Committee: Work Programming

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Issues	Detail
Healthcare for London: A Framework for Action	<p>This is a Project commissioned by London Strategic Health Authority to look at healthcare systems around the world and best practice in the UK. The final project report will provide a “<i>framework for reshaping services over the next decade and more</i>”.</p> <p>Professor Sir Ara Darzi has been commissioned to draft the framework and comments and experiences are currently invited through the website. However, it is anticipated that a draft framework will be out to formal consultation in late summer 2007.</p> <p>The final report will outline a range of options and key areas in terms of clinical urgency, rather than a practical plan for implementation. It will provide a template for local trusts to commission services and respond to local growth predications.</p> <p>Further information: http://www.healthcareforlondon.nhs.uk</p>
Academic Health Science Centre	<p>Hammersmith Hospitals NHS Trust, St Mary's NHS Trust and Imperial College London propose to create an Academic Health Science Centre. This move is aimed at modernising facilities and services, centralising research and teaching, as well as providing better value for money.</p> <p>RB Kensington & Chelsea have established a Joint Scrutiny Committee (with Westminster and Hammersmith & Fulham) for members across west London to respond to the current consultation exercise (which closes 31st July).</p> <p>Data initially suggests that 20% of St Mary's and 6% of Hammersmith Hospitals commissioning activity affects Brent residents.</p> <p>A meeting will be held on the 14th June (6.30pm), Portcullis House, Westminster, to provide an overview of the project and allow for members questions.</p>
London Health Commission Report	<p>This recently published report (March 2007) updates on indicators and identified actions within the London Health Strategy, reviews current trends in health and</p>

	assesses outcomes in relation to partnership work. Further Information: www.londonhealth.gov.uk
Patient and Public Involvement in the NHS House of Commons Health Committee Report	The House of Commons Report was issued in March 2007 and proposes changes in the relationships between patient groups and Overview & Scrutiny, within the context of Local Involvement Networks (LINKs). Further information: http://www.publications.parliament.uk/pa/cm/cmhealth.htm#reports
The following items were identified in the last committee cycle as issues of interest, but not taken forward due to time constraints.	
Understanding NHS Finance- Member Training	As part of the member training programme a speaker from CIPFA/Audit Commission has been identified to provide an introduction to the issues and infrastructure. This has heightened relevance within the current context.
Dental Provision in Brent	A review of services and access in Brent.
Asthma In Brent	Education for sufferers and awareness of asthma services.
London Ambulance Service NHS Trust	Members wanted to attain a better understanding of the trust and how it provides services across the Borough and London as a whole.