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| <br><b>Brent</b> | <b>Full Council</b><br>11 July 2022              |
|   | <b>Report from the Assistant Chief Executive</b> |
| <b>Community and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee Chair's Report</b>                                  |  |

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| <b>Wards Affected:</b>  | All   |
| <b>Key or Non-Key Decision:</b>   | N/A – Council   |
| <b>Open or Part/Fully Exempt:</b><br><small>(If exempt, please highlight relevant paragraph of Part 1, Schedule 12A of 1972 Local Government Act)</small> | Open  |
| <b>No. of Appendices:</b>   | One<br>Appendix 1: Committee Work Programme 2022/23   |
| <b>Background Papers:</b>   | None  |
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## 1.0 Purpose of the Report

- 1.1 To present Full Council with the 2022/23 Community Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee work programme, and to provide an update on meetings and activities by the scrutiny committee during the 2022/23 Municipal Year.

## 2.0 Recommendation(s)

- 2.1 To note the report and the committee's 2022/23 work programme.

## 3.0 Detail

- 3.1 It is required by the council's constitution that the annual work plan for an overview and scrutiny committee is agreed by Full Council. The work plan outlines the policy areas that the Community and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee will review, including the task groups the committee will oversee during the municipal year. Appendix 1 outlines the committee's work plan for 2022/23.

- 3.2 Part of the Community and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee's remit as set out in the constitution is to scrutinise and review the provision and operation of NHS services in the borough, it can also make reports and recommendations to NHS organisations. Areas of external scrutiny of the NHS are explicitly set out in the work programme.
- 3.3 A scrutiny committee can look at any issue, within its remit under its terms of reference that affects the borough or people inhabiting it. Statutory guidance on overview and scrutiny recommends that for scrutiny to be effective, scrutiny committees focus on conducting fewer in depth reviews of highly significant topics<sup>1</sup>. A key part of developing this work plan was a work programming meeting convened for the committee. It was attended by relevant Cabinet members, strategic directors and representations were made on behalf of NHS partners. At this session members prioritised items for inclusion in the work programme based on a set of criteria. This helped to ensure items included in committee reports were either a strategic priority as set out in the Borough Plan 2019-23; of concern for a significant number of the borough's residents; a significant cabinet decision or form part of a forthcoming policy review or new strategy being developed by the Cabinet. Prioritisation is considered best practice by the Centre for Governance and Scrutiny and is an effective tool for helping members set coherent work plans.<sup>2</sup>
- 3.4 The Community and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee is set to meet on 5 July 2022. It was decided at the work programming session on 6 June 2022 that the majority of this meeting would focus on adult social care, members are due to hear from the Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care & Public Health and the Strategic Director for Community Wellbeing who will be presenting a substantive report on Adult Carers and the current support mechanisms in place for them in the borough. There will also be two update reports. The first is on adult day care services, which will include an overview of current services in Brent, the commissioning process and to what extent service demand has returned to pre-pandemic levels. The second update will be centred on Brent's shared lives scheme and Tudor Gardens, two services that are monitored by the Care Quality Commission. The other substantive report at this meeting will be brought by NHS partners and concerns current end of life care services in the borough, and how the 2019 independent review of palliative care has informed a change of the NW London CCG's end of life care strategy going forward.
- 3.5 The committee has proposed the setup of a task group as part of its scrutiny activities during the municipal year. The committee has decided that social prescribing in health will be its first task group of the year. A scoping paper will be brought to the committee meeting on 22 September where members will decide what direction the task group will take in its investigation.
- 3.6 At the meeting on 14 March 2022 in the previous municipal year, the committee reviewed current care home provision, the council's approach to commissioning

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<sup>1</sup> *Statutory Guidance on Overview and Scrutiny in Local and Combined Authorities* (Ministry for Housing, Communities and Local Government), p21

<sup>2</sup> *The Good Scrutiny Guide* (Centre for Public Scrutiny, June 2019), p26

and ensuring quality within care homes in the borough, members questioned the role of adult fostering services in keeping people in the community. The committee also reviewed the transformation of community health services in Brent, focusing on the reasoning and vision behind the transfer of community services from the London North West University Healthcare NHS Trust to the Central London Community Healthcare Trust. Members reviewed the current community engagement and communications plans for patients in the borough. Members also reviewed an update report on community engagement for homeless families. They questioned how the council uses a proactive approach to ensure that demographic challenges were tackled effectively and that a 'one size fits all' approach is not used in regards to homelessness.

- 3.7 On 9 March 2022 a joint committee meeting was convened to review the recommendations of the Baroness Casey review of events surrounding the UEFA Euro 2020 Final 'Euro Sunday' at Wembley. The meeting was co-chaired between Councillor Ketan Sheth, Chair of the Community and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee and former Councillor Mashari, former Chair of the Resources and Public Realm Scrutiny Committee. Members of both committees focused on the partnership response to the events of 'Euro Sunday', the partners were; Football Association, Wembley Stadium, the Metropolitan Police and Brent Council. Members of the Community and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee used the meeting to focus on the public health aspects of the review. The committee focused on how the Covid-19 national research programme contributed to the planning and preparation of the event, and also reviewed the impact the events of 'Euro Sunday' had on the transmission of Covid-19 following the event. The following recommendation for an area of improvement was made by the joint committee that falls within the Community and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee's remit: *For the FA / Wembley to ensure better engagement and communication with local health partners, including London Ambulance Service and Brent Council's Public Health Team to ensure that health and wellbeing is a key focus at events.*
- 3.8 At the 22 February 2022 committee meeting members received the final reports from the GP Access task group; chaired by former Councillor Mary Daly and the Transitional Safeguarding Task Group; chaired by Councillor Ketan Sheth. These final reports were the culmination of numerous months' work by the task groups, in both cases the task group final reports made meaningful recommendations which have added real value to the policy areas in question.
- 3.9 Councillor Ketan Sheth is Brent's representative on the North West London Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee. Councillor Sheth has been nominated to continue as chair of the committee for 2022/23. Councillor Dan Crawford the London Borough of Ealing's representative has been nominated to continue as the committee's vice-chair for 2022/23. The first meeting of the year will be hosted by Brent on 20 July and will review reports from health partners on Integrated Care System Governance, a pre consultation business case on an elective orthopaedic centre at Central Middlesex hospital for NW London, community diagnostic hubs, and a health inequalities framework for NW London.

#### **4.0 Financial Implications**

4.1 There are no financial implications arising from this report.

#### **5.0 Legal Implications**

5.1 There are no legal implications arising from this report

#### **6.0 Equality Implications**

6.1 There are no equality implications arising from this report.

#### **7.0 Consultation with Ward Members and Stakeholders**

7.1 Non-executive members were involved in developing the work plan as part of their membership of the committee, as were health partners in the local NHS.

#### **8.0 Human Resources/Property Implications (if appropriate)**

8.1 There are no human resources or property implications arising from this report.

**Report sign off:**

***Shazia Hussain***  
*Assistant Chief Executive*

## Appendix 1: Community and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee Work Programme

5 July 2022

| Agenda Item                                   | Leader/Deputy<br>Leader/Cabinet Members                              | Chief Executive/Strategic<br>Directors               | External Organisations | External participants |
|---|--|--|------------------------|-----------------------|
| Update on Adult Day Care Services             | Cllr Neil Nerva, Lead Member for Public Health and Adult Social Care | Phil Porter, Strategic Director, Community Wellbeing |                        |                       |
| Update on Shared Lives Scheme & Tudor Gardens | Cllr Neil Nerva, Lead Member for Public Health and Adult Social Care | Phil Porter, Strategic Director, Community Wellbeing |                        |                       |

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| Adult Carers     | Cllr Neil Nerva, Lead Member for Public Health and Adult Social Care | Phil Porter, Strategic Director, Community Wellbeing |     |  |
| End of Life Care | Cllr Neil Nerva, Lead Member for Public Health and Adult Social Care | Phil Porter, Strategic Director, Community Wellbeing | NHS | Carolyn Regan – Chief Executive West London NHS Trust<br>Andrew Pike, Assistant Director of Communications NW London CCG |

**21 September 2022**

| <b>Agenda Item</b>                                 | <b>Leader/Deputy Leader/Cabinet Members</b>                         | <b>Chief Executive/Strategic Directors</b>   | <b>External Organisations</b> | <b>External Directors</b> |
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| Implementation of SEND Review and High Needs Block | Cllr Gwen Grahl, Lead Member for Children, Young People and Schools | Gail Tolley Strategic Director, Children and Young People<br>Minesh Patel, Director of Finance | Health                        | TBC                       |

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| Early Help & Family Wellbeing Centres | Cllr Gwen Grahl, Lead Member for Children, Young People and Schools                     | Gail Tolley Strategic Director, Children and Young People  |  |   |
| Scoping Paper on Social Prescribing   | Cllr Fleur Donnelly-Jackson, Lead Member for Community Engagement, Equalities & Culture | Phil Porter, Strategic Director, Community Wellbeing<br>Shazia Hussain, Assistant Chief Executive<br>Tom Shakespeare, Director of Health and Social Care Integration |  | Robyn Doran, Borough Director Brent Integrated Care Partnership |

## 22 November 2022

| Agenda Item  | Leader/Deputy Leader/Cabinet - Members/Non-executive Member          | Chief Executive/Strategic Directors  | External Organisations            | External Participants   |
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| Brent Safeguarding Adults Board Annual Report 2022-2023<br><br>*with a particular focus on cuckooing | Cllr Neil Nerva, Lead Member for Public Health and Adult Social Care | Phil Porter, Strategic Director, Community Wellbeing   | Brent Safeguarding Adults' Board  | Independent Chair, SAB  |
| Brent's Multi-Agency Safeguarding Arrangements for Children  | Cllr Gwen Grahl, Lead Member for Children, Young People and Schools  | Gail Tolley Strategic Director, Children and Young People<br>Carolyn Downs<br>Chief Executive, Brent Council | Metropolitan Police<br><br>Health | Safeguarding Lead, North West London BCU<br>Director of Quality, North West London CCG<br>Independent Convenor, SCF |

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| Transitional Safeguarding Task Group 6 Months' Update | Cllr Gwen Grahl, Lead Member for Children, Young People and Schools<br><br>Cllr Neil Nerva, Lead Member for Public Health and Adult Social Care | Gail Tolley Strategic Director, Children and Young People<br><br>Phil Porter, Strategic Director, Community Wellbeing |  |  |
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### 25 January 2023

| Agenda Item  | Leader/Deputy Leader/Cabinet Members/Non-Executive Member                       | Chief Executive/Strategic Directors/ Director of Public Health | External Organisations       | External Participants                                |
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| Brent Housing Management Update to include: Fire Safety, Resident Engagement, Housing Inspection Framework | Cllr Promise Knight, Lead Member for Housing, Homelessness and Renters Security | Phil Porter, Strategic Director, Community Wellbeing           |                              |  |
| Mental Health  | Cllr Neil Nerva, Lead Member for Public Health and Adult Social Care            | Phil Porter, Strategic Director, Community Wellbeing           |                              | Carolyn Regan, Chief Executive West London NHS Trust |
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### 7 March 2023

| Agenda Item | Leader/Deputy Leader/Cabinet Members | Chief Executive/Strategic Directors/ Director of Public Health | External Organisations | External Participants |
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| Children's Mental Health and Wellbeing Including CAMHS                             | Cllr Gwen Grahl, Lead Member for Children, Young People and Schools  | Gail Tolley, Strategic Director, Children and Young People  |  | Trish Davies, Central North West London CAMHS Service manager   |
| Update on School Attainment including for Black British Boys of Caribbean Heritage | Cllr Gwen Grahl, Lead Member for Children, Young People and Schools  | Gail Tolley, Strategic Director, Children and Young People  |  | Head teacher from primary & secondary school in Brent   |
| Northwick Park NHS Trust Maternity Improvement Plan Progress Update                |  |   |  | Pippa Nightingale, Chief Executive for London North West University Healthcare NHS Trust.<br><br>Lisa Knight (Chief Nurse NWL ICS)                            |
| GP Access Task Group 1 Years' Update   | Cllr Neil Nerva, Lead Member for Public Health and Adult Social Care | Phil Porter, Strategic Director, Community Wellbeing  |  | Dr Muhammad Haider, Primary Care Lead Officer<br>Fana Hussain, Head of Planned and Primary Care<br>Jonathan Turner, former Borough Lead Director (Brent), CCG |
| Immunisation   | Cllr Neil Nerva, Lead Member for Public Health and Adult Social Care | Phil Porter, Strategic Director, Community Wellbeing<br>Melanie Smith, Director of Public Health<br>Tom Shakespeare, Director of Health and Social Care Integration |  | Jonathan Turner, former Borough Lead Director (Brent), CCG  |

18 April 2023

| Agenda Item                          | Leader/Deputy Leader/Cabinet Members | Chief Executive/Strategic Directors   | External Organisations                      | External Participants  |
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| Casey Review 1 Years' Update         |                                      | Carolyn Downs, Chief Executive, Brent Council<br><br>Chris Whyte, chair of stakeholder panel                                | Metropolitan Police<br>Football Association | Tom Legg, Head of Operations, The Football Association<br><br>Chris Bryant, Head of Tournament Delivery, The Football Association<br><br>Jim Brockway, Metropolitan Police |
| Diagnostic Hubs in North West London |                                      | Phil Porter, Strategic Director, Community Wellbeing<br><br>Tom Shakespeare, Director of Health and Social Care Integration |   | Jonathan Turner, former Borough Lead Director (Brent), CCG   |
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