



Adults and Health Overview and Scrutiny Sub-Committee

Title Mid-year Quality Accounts

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Report of Overview and Scrutiny Manager

Wards All

Status Public

Urgent No

Appendices

Appx A – Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee (HOSC) comments on Quality Accounts 2022-23

Appx B - Central London Community Healthcare NHS Trust response to comments from HOSC on QA 2022-23

Appx C – North London Hospice response to comments from HOSC on QA 2022-23 (to follow)

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Summary

This report provides updates from the Central London Community Healthcare NHS Trust and North London Hospice following their annual Quality Accounts report (2022-23) to the Barnet Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 17th May 2023. A mid-year report was requested from the Royal Free London NHS Foundation Trust and this will be provided at the meeting of the A&H Overview and Scrutiny Sub-Committee on 6th March 2024.

Recommendations

1. That the Adults and Health Overview and Scrutiny Sub-Committee review progress since the publication of the annual Quality Accounts 2022-23 and feedback any comments.

1. Reasons for the Recommendations

- 1.1 Healthcare providers publishing Quality Accounts have a legal duty to send their Quality Account to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee (OSC) in the local authority area in which the provider has its registered office, inviting comments on the report from the OSC prior to publication. This gives OSCs the opportunity to review the information contained in the report and provide a statement on their view of what is reported. Providers are legally obliged to publish this statement within the Quality Account.
- 1.2 Mid-year Quality Accounts are requested from the Central London Community Healthcare NHS Trust, North London Hospice, and Royal Free London NHS Foundation Trust to receive a report on progress on actions requested by the committee in May 2023, at the mid-year point. The committee is invited to consider and note the responses provided and feedback any comments to the Trusts.

1. Post Decision Implementation

- 1.1 Comments from the Adults & Health OSC will be fed back to the Trusts.

2. Corporate Priorities, Performance and Other Considerations

Corporate Plan

- 2.1 This report is aligned with the key priorities in the new corporate plan. The work of Overview and Scrutiny will support the Council in becoming a 'listening council' and 'caring for people, our places and the planet'.

2.2 Sustainability

- 2.3 There are no direct environmental implications from noting the recommendations.

Corporate Parenting

- 2.4 In line with Children and Social Work Act 2017, the council has a duty to consider Corporate Parenting Principles in decision-making across the council. There are no implications for Corporate Parenting in relation to the recommendations in this report.

Risk Management

- 2.5 All work will be carried out within the council's approach to risk management.

Insight

- 2.6 There are no insight implications in relation to the recommendations of this report.

Social Value

- 2.7 The Public Services (Social Value) Act 2013 requires people who commission public services to think about how they can also secure wider social, economic and environmental benefits. There are no social value implications in relation to the recommendations in this report.

3. Resource Implications (Finance and Value for Money, Procurement, Staffing, IT and Property)

- 3.1 There are no resource implications in the relation to the recommendations of this report.

4. Legal Implications and Constitution References

4.1 The Terms of Reference of the Adults & Health Overview & Scrutiny Sub-Committee are set out at Section 2B 12 of the Barnet Constitution: [COMMITTEES \(moderngov.co.uk\)](http://www.moderngov.co.uk).

4.2 Providers of NHS healthcare are required to publish a quality account each year. These are required by the Health Act 2009, and in the terms set out in the National Health Service (Quality Accounts) Regulations 2010 as amended ('the quality accounts regulations'). Information on quality accounts can be found on the NHS website at <http://www.nhs.uk/quality-accounts>.

5. Consultation

5.1 None.

6. Equalities and Diversity

6.1 Section 149 of the Equality Act 2010 sets out the Public-Sector Equality Duty which requires a public authority (or those exercising public functions) to have due regard to the need to:

- Eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment and victimisation and other conduct prohibited by the Equality Act 2010.
- Advance equality of opportunity between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and persons who do not.
- Fostering of good relations between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and persons who do not.

6.2 The broad purpose of this duty is to integrate considerations of equality into everyday business and keep them under review in decision making, the design of policies and the delivery of services. The protected characteristics are: age; disability; gender reassignment; pregnancy and maternity; race; religion or belief; sex and sexual orientation.

6.3 In order to assist in meeting the duty the Council will:

- Try to understand the diversity of our customers to improve our services.
 - Consider the impact of our decisions on different groups to ensure they are fair.
 - Mainstream equalities into business and financial planning and integrating equalities into everything we do.
 - Learn more about Barnet's diverse communities by engaging with them.
- This is also what we expect of our partners.

6.4 This is set out in the Council's Equalities Policy, which can be found on the website at: <https://www.barnet.gov.uk/your-Council/policies-plans-and-performance/equality-and-diversity>

7. Background Papers

7.1 None