

**Council: Tuesday, 16 July 2013**

**Opposition Business Item:** Councillor Alison Moore

Happy 65<sup>th</sup> Birthday NHS

Council wishes our National Health Service a very Happy 65<sup>th</sup> Birthday which was marked earlier this month on 5 July.

Council notes the role Aneurin Bevan, Minister of Health in 1948, had in creating a healthcare system that reinforces the principle of health provision free at the point of use.

Council further notes the role that all doctors, nurses and other staff who work and have worked for the NHS during this time have played in providing this unique healthcare system to residents in Barnet and elsewhere.

Council calls on the Government to protect this valued institution for future generations, and asks the Chief Executive to write to the Prime Minister, the Chancellor of the Exchequer and the Secretary of State for Health to convey this message.