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Meeting	Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee
Date	15 February 2012
<b>Subject</b>	<b>Update Report – Barnet General Hospital Parking Facilities</b>
Report of	Director of Nursing - Barnet and Chase Farm Hospital NHS Trust
Summary	This item provides the Committee with a verbal update on the Alzheimer's and Dementia Care Services in Barnet with particular reference to accessibility to parking at Barnet Hospital.

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Officer Contributors	John Murphy – Overview and Scrutiny Officer
Status (public or exempt)	Public
Wards affected	All
Enclosures	None
Reason for urgency / exemption from call-in	Not applicable
Key decision	No

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## **1. RECOMMENDATION**

- 1.1 That the Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee note the update and make comments and recommendations to Health Partners.**

## **2. RELEVANT PREVIOUS DECISIONS**

- 2.1 Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee, 12 December 2011, Agenda Item 11 - Alzheimer's and Dementia Care and Parking Update – (4) a further report on parking at Barnet Hospital be presented to the next meeting of the Committee on 15 February 2012.

## **3. CORPORATE PRIORITIES AND POLICY CONSIDERATIONS**

- 3.1 The Overview and Scrutiny Committees must ensure that the work of Scrutiny is reflective of the Council's priorities.
- 3.2 The three priority outcomes set out in the 2010/13 Corporate Plan are: –
- Better services with less money
  - Sharing opportunities, sharing responsibilities
  - A successful London suburb

## **4. RISK MANAGEMENT ISSUES**

- 4.1 None in the context of this report.

## **5. EQUALITIES AND DIVERSITY ISSUES**

- 5.1 In addition to the Terms of Reference of the Committee, and in so far as relating to matters within its remit, the role of the Committee is to perform the Overview and Scrutiny role in relation to:
- The Council's leadership role in relation to diversity and inclusiveness; and
  - The fulfilment of the Council's duties as employer including recruitment and retention, personnel, pensions and payroll services, staff development, equalities and health and safety
  - Equality and diversity issues are a mandatory consideration in decision-making in the council pursuant to the Equality Act 2010. This means the council and all other organisations acting on its behalf must have due regard to the equality duties when exercising a public function. The broad purpose of this duty is to integrate considerations of equality and good relations into day to day business requiring equality considerations to be reflected into the design of policies and the delivery of services and for these to be kept under review. Health partners as relevant public bodies must similarly discharge their duties under the Equality Act 2010 and consideration of equalities issues should therefore form part of their reports.

## **6. USE OF RESOURCES IMPLICATIONS (Finance, Procurement, Performance & Value for Money, Staffing, IT, Property, Sustainability)**

- 6.1 None in the context of this report except for those to be discussed at the meeting in relation to parking provision made by BEH Mental Health Trust at the Springwell Centre.

## **7. LEGAL ISSUES**

- 7.1 None in the context of this report.

## **8. CONSTITUTIONAL POWERS**

- 8.1 The scope of the Overview and Scrutiny Committees is contained within Part 2, Article 6 of the Council's Constitution.
- 8.2 The Terms of Reference of the Scrutiny Committees are included in the Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules (Part 4 of the Council's Constitution). The Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee has within its terms of reference responsibility:
- (i) To perform the overview and scrutiny role in relation to health issues which impact upon the residents of the London Borough of Barnet and the functions services and activities of the National Health Service (NHS) and NHS bodies located within the London Borough of Barnet and in other areas.
  - (ii) To make reports and recommendations to the Executive and/or other relevant authorities on health issues which affect or may affect the borough and its residents.
  - (iii) To invite executive officers and other relevant personnel of the Barnet Primary Care Trust, Barnet GP Commissioning Consortium, Barnet Health and Wellbeing Board and/or other health bodies to attend meetings of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee as appropriate.

## **9. BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

- 9.1 At the 12 December 2011 meeting of the Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee an update report was received from the Director of Performance, Planning and Partnership at Barnet and Chase Farm Hospital NHS Trust, Mary Joseet, regarding parking at Barnet Hospital. Members were advised that there were no immediate plans to increase the number of parking spaces at the Barnet Hospital site. It was noted that a joint steering group would be meeting in January 2012 to consider options, including the development of a multi-storey car park. The Director of Nursing advised the Committee that further options being considered to alleviate parking issues included mini-buses between Barnet General and Chase Farm Hospital and the introduction of a Green Travel Plan.

## **10. LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS**

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