

	<h2>Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee</h2> <h3>13 October 2015</h3>
<p style="text-align: right;">Title</p>	<p>GP Provision in Barnet</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Report of</p>	<p>Governance Service</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Wards</p>	<p>All</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Status</p>	<p>Public</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Urgent</p>	<p>No</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Key</p>	<p>No</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Enclosures</p>	<p>Appendix A – Update Report from NHS England and Barnet Clinical Commissioning Group</p>
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<h2>Summary</h2>
<p>At their meeting on 6 July 2015, the Committee received a Member’s Item in the name of Councillor Barry Rawlings. The Committee resolved to request a report providing information and forecasting on GP provision within the Borough.</p> <p>The Committee have requested that the report includes figures on the number of GPs expected to retire, regeneration programmes and the management of future seven day GP services.</p> <p>The Committee have requested that NHS England who have responsibility for this provision be provide the report and have asked that NHS England liaise with the Barnet Clinical Commissioning Group in order to prepare the report. The report attached at Appendix A is the submission from NHS England.</p> <p>Representatives from both NHS England and Barnet Clinical Commissioning Group have been invited to attend the meeting.</p>

Recommendations

- 1. That the Committee note the update from NHS England and ask appropriate questions.**

1. WHY THIS REPORT IS NEEDED

- 1.1 At their meeting 6 July 2015, the Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee received a Member's Item in the name of Councillor Barry Rawlings on GP Provision in Barnet.
- 1.2 Following consideration of the item, the Committee resolved to request a report providing information and forecasting on GP provision within the Borough at their October meeting. The report attached at Appendix A is the response from NHS England to this request.

2. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 By receiving this update, the Committee will be kept up to date on the site issues which have previously affected GPs moving into the premises, and be kept abreast of the future plans for healthcare at Finchley Memorial Hospital.

3. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND NOT RECOMMENDED

- 3.1 Not applicable.

4. POST DECISION IMPLEMENTATION

- 4.1 Following consideration of this item, the Committee will be able to determine any further actions that they wish to pursue.

5. IMPLICATIONS OF DECISION

5.1 Corporate Priorities and Performance

- 5.1.1 The Overview and Scrutiny Committee must ensure that the work of Scrutiny is reflective of the Council's principles and strategic objectives set out in the Corporate Plan 2015 – 2020.

The strategic objectives set out in the 2015 – 2020 Corporate Plan are: –

The Council, working with local, regional and national partners, will strive to ensure that Barnet is the place:

- Of opportunity, where people can further their quality of life
- Where people are helped to help themselves
- Where responsibility is shared, fairly
- Where services are delivered efficiently to get value for money for the taxpayer

5.2 Resources (Finance & Value for Money, Procurement, Staffing, IT, Property, Sustainability)

5.2.1 There are no financial implications for the council.

5.3 Social Value

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.

5.4 Legal and Constitutional References

5.71 Section 244 of the National Health Service Act 2006 and Local Authority (Public Health, Health and Wellbeing Boards and Health Scrutiny) Regulations 2013/218; Part 4 Health Scrutiny by Local Authorities provides for the establishment of Health Overview and Scrutiny Committees by local authorities.

5.7.11 The Council's Constitution (Responsibility for Functions) sets out the terms of reference of the Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee as having the following responsibilities:

"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."

5.5 Risk Management

5.5.1 Not receiving this report would present a risk to the Committee in that they would not be kept up to date on issues surrounding GP provision in the London Borough of Barnet.

5.6 Equalities and Diversity

5.9.1 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 fulfil its equality duty 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.

5.9.2 The specific duty set out in s149 of the Equality Act is to have due regard to need to:

Eliminate discrimination, harassment, victimisation and any other conduct that is prohibited by or under this Act;

Advance equality of opportunity between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and persons who do not share it;

Foster good relations between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and persons who do not share it.

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5.7 **Consultation and Engagement**

5.7.1 None in the context of this report.

5.8 **Insight**

5.8.1 None in the context of this report. Upon considering the report, the Committee will determine if they require further information or future updates.

6. **BACKGROUND PAPERS**

6.1 None.