

	<h2>Barnet Health Overview and Scrutiny</h2> <h3>7 December 2015</h3>
Title	East Barnet Health Centre Update Report
Report of	Governance Service
Wards	All
Status	Public
Urgent	No
Key	No
Enclosures	Appendix A – Update Report from NHS Property Services and NHS England
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Summary

At their meeting on 6 July 2015, the Committee considered a report from NHS England and NHS Property Services on the East Barnet Health Centre, which was temporarily relocated to Vale Drive Primary Care Centre while refurbishment works were being undertaken.

Following refurbishment works, the East Barnet Health Centre was reopened on 19 October 2015. The report attached at Appendix A provides the Committee with an update on the Health Centre in respect of:

- The refurbishment of the Health Centre
- The removal of Asbestos
- The termination of the shuttle bus now that the East Barnet Health Centre has reopened
- The installation of a lift into the property
- An update in respect of the process of negotiating the lease between the GPs and NHS Property Services.

Representatives from both NHS Property Services and NHS England have been invited to attend the meeting on the evening to respond to questions from Members.

Recommendations

1. That the Committee note the report.

1. WHY THIS REPORT IS NEEDED

- 1.1 At their meeting on 9 February 2015, the Barnet Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee received a Member's Item in the name of Councillor Amy Trevethan, in relation to the East Barnet Health Centre. The Committee considered the Member's Item, and resolved to request further information, which is set out in the appendices of this report. The Committee received an update at their meeting on 30 March 2015, and subsequently requested to be provided with a further update at their July meeting.
- 1.2 The Committee then requested to receive an update report at their December 2015 meeting. This report will provide the Committee with an update in respect of the re-opening of the Health Centre and the refurbishment works that have been undertaken on site and the signing of the lease between the GPs and NHS Property Services.

2. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 The report provides the Committee with the opportunity to be updated on the status of issues surrounding the East Barnet Health Centre and ask questions of Officers from NHS England and NHS Property Services.

3. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND NOT RECOMMENDED

- 3.1 Not applicable.

4. POST DECISION IMPLEMENTATION

- 4.1 Following the consideration of the report, the Committee are able to determine if they wish to conduct any further scrutiny on the matter.

5. IMPLICATIONS OF DECISION

5.1 Corporate Priorities and Performance

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.

- 5.1.2 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**

5.3.1 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. Before commencing a procurement process, commissioners should think about whether the services they are going to buy, or the way they are going to buy them, could secure these benefits for their area or stakeholders.

5.4 **Legal and Constitutional References**

5.4.1 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.

5.4.2 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 the East Barnet Health Centre.

5.6 **Equalities and Diversity**

5.6.1 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.

5.6.2 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 This paper provides an opportunity for the Committee to engagement with the relevant NHS bodies on a health related matter which is relevant to the people of Barnet.

5.8 Insight

5.8.1 None in the context of this report.

6 BACKGROUND PAPERS

None.