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Title	Winter Pressures Planning 2018/19
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Summary

This paper provides an update to the Barnet Health and Overview Scrutiny Committee regarding the winter planning requirements for the Royal Free London (RFL) System 2018/19. The RFL Accident & Emergency (A&E) Delivery Board has overall responsibility for winter planning and systems resilience funding.

Recommendations

1. To note the winter planning requirements for the Royal Free London system 2018/19.

1. WHY THIS REPORT IS NEEDED

1.1 As outlined in the executive summary of Appendix 1 to this report, this reported is required in order to update the Committee on the winter planning requirements for the Royal Free London 2018/19.

NHS England (NHSE) has indicated no additional funding will be available for winter planning this year, although in previous years CCGs have been required to bid for non-recurrent funding to support winter initiatives in-year. North Central London (NCL) Sustainability Transformation Partnership (STP) has therefore agreed that if funding does become available in-year through a bidding process, it will be targeted at mental health, and community services.

Appendix 1 outlines the winter planning and resilience across the system to support the winter pressures.

2. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 Recent years have shown that winter is a particularly challenging time for the health and social care economy both nationally and locally. This includes spikes in illnesses and increased pressure on urgent and emergency services, which leads to longer waiting times, delays in care and stretched local services.
- 2.2 Representatives from health, including primary and social care organisations came together in May 2018 to review how the Barnet/Royal Free London system managed over winter 2017/18 using the After Action Review (AAR) process. This report updates the Committee on what has happened since this review and the systems in place for winter 2018 and gives the Committee an opportunity to provide scrutiny on these plans.

3. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND NOT RECOMMENDED

3.1 N.A

4. POST DECISION IMPLEMENTATION

- 4.1 The views of the Committee in relation to this matter will be considered

5. IMPLICATIONS OF DECISION

5.1 Corporate Priorities and Performance

- 5.11 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 N/A

5.3 Legal and Constitutional References

5.3.1 Under regulation 8 of the Local Authorities Regulations 2013, made under section 6C of the National Health Service Act 2006, local authorities have a duty to provide information and advice to relevant organisations to protect the population's health. This is reasonably taken to include advice about keeping well in winter and the availability of services when required.

5.3.2 The Council's Constitution (Article 7) 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."

5.4 Risk Management

As outlined in Appendix 1 Winter Planning 2018/19

5.5 Equalities and Diversity

5.5.1 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 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.

5.5.2 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.

The relevant protected characteristics are – age; disability; gender reassignment; pregnancy and maternity; race; religion or belief; sex; sexual orientation. 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.

5.6 Consultation and Engagement
N/A

6 BACKGROUND PAPERS
6.1 None