



Adults & Health Overview and Scrutiny Sub Committee

Title	Quality Accounts 2023-24
Date of meeting	15 th May 2024
Report of	Overview and Scrutiny Manager
Wards	All
Status	Public
Urgent	No
Appendices	<p>Quality Accounts 2023-24:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Royal Free London NHS Foundation Trust • Central London Community Healthcare NHS Trust • North London Hospice
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Summary

A Quality Account is a report about the quality of services offered by a healthcare provider. The reports are published annually. Providers are required to send their Quality Account to the local overview and scrutiny committee responsible for health scrutiny, and the committee can comment. The committee will have the opportunity to speak with representatives from each provider at the meeting, and any comments the committee makes must be included in the final document.

Recommendations

- The committee is asked to comment on the draft Quality Accounts from the above health providers. The comments will be summarised following the meeting and circulated to providers for inclusion in their Quality Accounts 2023/24.**

- Reasons for the Recommendations**

- 1.1 Part 2B (12.1.2) of the council’s Constitution outlines the terms of reference of the Adults & Health Overview and Scrutiny Sub-Committee:

The Adults and Health Overview and Scrutiny Sub-Committee shall perform the overview and scrutiny role and function in relation to:

Reviewing and scrutinising, matters relating to the planning, provision and operation of health services in Barnet including inviting the relevant Chief Executive(s) of NHS organisations to account for the work of their organisation (s) as set out and required by the Health and Social Care Act 2001 and related primary and secondary legislation.

2. Alternative Options Considered and Not Recommended

- 2.1 None in the context of this report.

3. Post Decision Implementation

- 3.1 The committee’s comments on the Quality Accounts will be forwarded to the three organisations for inclusion in their final published versions.

4. Corporate Priorities, Performance and Other Considerations

Corporate Plan

- 4.1 This report is aligned with the key priorities in the new corporate plan. Built on the pillars of “caring for people, our places and the planet” and underpinned by a foundation of being Engaged and Effective. The work of Overview and Scrutiny will support the Council in becoming a ‘listening council’ collaborating and building a continuous dialogue with residents and communities. In doing so, residents are involved in decision-making, and Scrutiny acts to amplify the voice of the public, on issues of concern.

Corporate Performance / Outcome Measures

- 4.2 This item measure how “We act on concerns of local residents and involve them in decision making.”

Sustainability

- 4.3 None in the context of this report.

Corporate Parenting

- 4.4 In line with Children and Social Work Act 2017, the council has a duty to consider Corporate Parenting Principles in decision-making across the council. This duty will be considered when including items to the work programme.

Risk Management

- 4.5 None in the context of this report.

Insight

- 4.6 Insight data and evidence will be used to support scrutiny reviews on the work programme.

Social Value

- 4.7 None in the context of this report.

5. Resource Implications (Finance and Value for Money, Procurement, Staffing, IT and Property)

5.1 A dedicated team supports the Overview and Scrutiny function.

6. Legal Implications and Constitution References

6.1 The terms of reference of the Overview & Scrutiny Committees and Sub-Committees are set out in Part 2B and 2C of the Constitution.

6.2 The Adults & Health Overview & Scrutiny Sub-Committee has the following powers and duties:

12.3.1 To be responsible in accordance with Regulation 28 of the Local Authority (Public Health and Wellbeing Boards and Health Scrutiny) Regulations 2013 for scrutiny of the Council's health functions.

12.3.2 To recommend to Council that a referral be made to the Secretary of State under Regulation 23(9) of the Local Authority (Public Health, Health and Wellbeing and Health Scrutiny) Regulations 2013.

12.3.3 To have specific responsibility for scrutiny of the following functions:

12.3.3.1 Health and social care infrastructure and service

12.3.3.2 NHS England, Integrated Care Boards and the Health and Wellbeing Board

12.3.3.3 Public Health

12.3.3.4 Other policy proposals which may have an impact on health, public health, social care and wellbeing

12.3.3.5 Collaborative working with health agencies

12.3.3.6 Commissioning and contracting health services

12.3.4 To review the planning, provision and operation of Health services in Barnet and ensure compliance with Regulation 21(1) of the Local Authority (Public Health, Health and Wellbeing Boards and Health Scrutiny) Regulations 2013 by inviting and taking account of information and reports from local health providers and other interested parties including the local HealthWatch.

7. Consultation

7.1 None in the context of this report.

8. Equalities and Diversity

8.1 Pursuant to the Equality Act 2010, the Council and all other organisations exercising public functions on its behalf must have due regard to the need to eliminate discrimination, harassment, victimisation and any other conduct that is prohibited by or under the Act; advance equality of opportunity between those with a protected characteristic and those without; promote good relations between those with a protected characteristic and those without. The

relevant protected characteristics are age, disability, gender reassignment, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex, sexual orientation. It also covers marriage and civil partnership with regard to eliminating discrimination. The work of overview and scrutiny will be transparent and accessible to all sectors of the community.

9. Background Papers

9.1 Guidance for Overview and Scrutiny Committees on Quality Accounts: [Microsoft Word - 101004 QualityAccountsToolkit v2.8 in template to pdf 2.doc \(publishing.service.gov.uk\)](#)