

REPORT FOR: OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Date: 24 October 2012

Subject: Shaping a Healthier Future for NW London – Harrow’s response to consultation by NHS NW London

Responsible Officer: Alex Dewsnap - Divisional Director, Strategic Commissioning

Scrutiny Lead Member area: Health and Social Care – Councillor Krishna James and Councillor Vina Mithani

Exempt: No

Enclosures: Harrow Council’s response to the *Shaping a Healthier Future* consultation

Section 1 – Summary and Recommendations

This report sets out Harrow Council’s response to the Shaping a Healthier Future consultation by NHS NW London. The work was led by scrutiny members and scrutiny’s response has been adopted by the Executive-side. As such it was submitted to NHS NW London as a Harrow Council response.

Recommendations:

The Overview and Scrutiny Committee is asked to note the response to NHS NW London.

Section 2 – Report

Shaping a Healthier Future for North West London

Shaping a Healthier Future is a programme set up by NHS NW London to improve healthcare for the two million people living in NW London. The programme is being led by the eight clinical commissioning groups and other clinicians across NW London who have identified the case for change which highlights the inconsistencies and failings of the current system and sets out objectives for a better, healthier future for NW London.

The aim of the programme is to ensure that the right care is delivered in the right places and a number of detailed proposals for how services could be organised differently in the future have been developed. These proposals form the basis of a full public consultation which ran from 2 July to 8 October 2012.

This report attaches Harrow Council's response to the consultation. This was led by scrutiny members and informed by evidence gathered through Harrow's participation on the NW London Joint Overview and Scrutiny Committee, consideration of the Shaping a Healthier Future pre-consultation business case and discussions held at the special meeting of the Health and Social Care Scrutiny Sub-Committee on 19 September. These discussions explored the impact of the Shaping a Healthier Future proposals in Harrow and the consultation process, and involved representatives from:

- NHS NW London's Shaping a Healthier Future programme
- North West London Hospitals Trust
- NHS Brent & Harrow
- Harrow Clinical Commissioning Group
- Harrow Local Involvement Network
- Harrow Council

The website for the Shaping a Healthier Future programme is at: <http://www.healthiernorthwestlondon.nhs.uk/>

Financial Implications

The costs of delivering this project were met from within existing resources.

Performance Issues

There are no performance issues specifically associated with this report.

Environmental Impact

There is no specific environmental impact associated to this report.

Risk Management Implications

There are none specific to this report.

Risk included on Directorate risk register? No

Separate risk register in place? No

Equalities implications

As part of its work programme, the JOSC considered the equalities impact assessment work conducted for the Shaping a Healthier Future programme and whether equality implications had been given adequate consideration on the proposals for change.

Issues around equalities are also addressed in Harrow Council's response to the consultation, as attached.

Corporate Priorities

The Shaping a Healthier Future programme and associated JOSC relate to the Council's corporate priorities of:

- United and involved communities: A council that listens and leads
- Supporting and protecting people who are most in need

Section 3 - Statutory Officer Clearance

Not applicable.

Section 4 - Contact Details and Background Papers

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Background Papers: The website for the Shaping a Healthier Future programme is at: <http://www.healthiernorthwestlondon.nhs.uk/>