



## HARROW STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP BOARD

Joint Dementia Strategy

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### **Introduction**

Since the publication of the National Dementia Strategy in February 2009, PCT's must mobilize their local strategic and implementation plans to deliver higher quality and cohesive care for people living with dementia. The key purpose of this strategy is to ensure that health and social care work together in partnership with communities and individuals, to bring about sustainable service improvement, based on the principles of:

- Better outcomes/Reduced health inequities
- Improved quality/Greater levels of personalization, choice and control
- High quality, safe and effective offering dignity in care/Fair and equitable access – closer to home.

Furthermore the local strategy will implement the 17 key objectives as identified by the National Dementia Strategy which will result in significant improvements in the quality of services provided to people with dementia and their families. These include good quality early diagnosis, enabling easy access to care and development of structured peer support.

### **Proposed Action**

The Joint Strategy has been completed and was signed off by John Webster, chief Operating Officer Harrow NHS, in August 2010.

Future action involves implementation of the strategy in accordance with the priorities.

### **What are you asking the Partnership Board to do**

For Information