

**REPORT FOR: OVERVIEW AND
SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

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| Date: | 26 October 2010 |
| Subject: | Pinner Village Surgery Challenge Panel Report |
| Responsible Officer: | Alex Dewsnap, Divisional Director Partnership Development and Performance |
| Scrutiny Lead Member area: | Councillor Ann Gate and Vina Mithani, Lead Members for Health and Social Care |
| Exempt: | No |
| Enclosures: | Report from Pinner Village Challenge Panel |

Section 1 – Summary and Recommendations

This report outlines the findings from the Pinner Village Challenge Panel which took place on 22 July 2010

Recommendations:

Councillors are recommended to:

- I. Consider and agree the report from the Challenge Panel;
- II. Refer the report to NHS Harrow.

Section 2 – Report

This report outlines the details, findings and recommendation of the Pinner Village Surgery challenge panel which took place on 22 July 2010. The Health Sub Committee commissioned the challenge panel to consider the reasons which led to the sudden closure of the surgery.

Background

At the end of the previous administration, on 31 March 2010 the Overview and Scrutiny Committee were contacted by the Director of Development and System Management, NHS Harrow regarding the imminent closure of the Village Practice in Pinner on 5 April 2010.

It was decided by the then Scrutiny Health and Social Care policy and performance lead members that due to the proximity of the elections, it may be more appropriate to address and investigate the issues in the next administration. The details of the closure were initially considered at the Health Sub Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 16 June 2010 and at this meeting it was decided that a challenge panel should take place to investigate the reasons that led to the closure in more detail.

Financial Implications

There are no financial implications associated with this report.

Performance Issues

There are no specific performance issues associated with this report.

Environmental Impact

There are no specific environmental implications associated with this report.

Risk Management Implications

There are no specific risk management implications associated with this report.

Corporate Priorities

The council has a priority to 'improve the support for vulnerable people' and 'build stronger communities', the content of this report is relevant to both these priorities and the need to safeguard the interests of residents.

Section 3 - Statutory Officer Clearance

Not required for this report.

Section 4 - Contact Details and Background Papers

Contact: Fola Irikefe, Scrutiny Officer, 0208 420 9389

Background Papers: Enclosed in appendix of report.