

MINUTES OF THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE
MONDAY, 1 DECEMBER 2008

Councillors Councillors Bull (Chair), Adamou (Vice-Chair), Aitken, Alexander, Dodds, Egan and Winskill

Also Present: Felicity Kally
 Councillors Bevan and B. Harris

MINUTE NO.	SUBJECT/DECISION
OSCO105.	WEBCASTING The meeting was webcast on the Council's website.
OSCO106.	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE There were no apologies for absence.
OSCO107.	URGENT BUSINESS There was no urgent business.
OSCO108.	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST Councillor Egan declared a personal interest in respect of item 12, Decent Homes Programme, by nature of being on the Board of Homes for Haringey. Councillor Aitken declared a personal interest in respect of item 12, Decent Homes Programme, by nature of being a Council tenant. Councillors Bull and Winskill declared a personal interest in respect of item 12, Decent Homes Programme, by nature of being Leaseholders. Councillor Adamou declared a personal interest in item 14, Transport in Adult Care, by nature of a family member being a carer.
OSCO109.	DEPUTATIONS/PETITIONS/PRESENTATIONS/QUESTIONS There were no such items.
OSCO110.	CABINET MEMBER QUESTIONS: CABINET MEMBER FOR ADULT SOCIAL CARE AND WELLBEING The committee received a briefing and answers to questions from Councillor Bob Harris, Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care and Wellbeing. Members raised their concern over 'cost shunting', where reconfiguration of non-Council services placed increasing strain on

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	<p>those provided by the Council. The committee noted that national criteria existed to minimise this practice.</p> <p>The committee noted that although areas for continued focus existed in the portfolio; a Performance Improvement Plan existed which tracked the implementation of all CSCI recommendations.</p> <p>It was noted that although there was no current issue with recruitment and retention in Adult Services, this issue was regularly discussed in the Service's weekly meeting.</p> <p>RESOLVED:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That figures as to uptake of respite care in Haringey be provided to the committee. 2. That figures and procedures for working with individuals placed from other boroughs and MH Trusts be provided to the committee. 3. That the PCT provide information the effects on clinical outcomes experienced by patients under the NHS initiative to delivering reduced delayed transfers of care/discharges from acute and non acute hospitals. 4. That the briefing and answers to questions be noted. 5. That the commitment and dedication of Haringey staff in this area be commended.
OSCO111.	<p>INTERIM PROGRESS REPORT: IMPLEMENTATION OF THE HARINGEY LIFE EXPECTANCY ACTION PLAN</p> <p>The committee received a report from the PCT on the implementation of the Haringey Life Expectancy plan.</p> <p>With regard to reducing the unexpectedly high levels of infant mortality in the borough, the Director of Public Health cited the importance of early access to anti-natal care and a variety of measures with regards to Motherhood. A more detailed written response was promised to Members.</p> <p>In terms of the challenges of working in a borough with a large transient population, it was noted that a welcome back for new residents included information on how to register for primary care in the borough. There were also a range of other community-based interventions and initiatives such as the recruitment of 'health trainers'.</p> <p>RESOLVED:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That information be provided on disproportionately higher infant mortality rates in Haringey.

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	<p>2. That the report be noted.</p>
OSCO112.	<p>ACCESS TO HEALTHCARE FOR ADULTS WITH PROFOUND AND MULTIPLE DISABILITIES</p> <p>Members were provided with an update on action following the Scrutiny review 'Healthy and Equal' – improving the health of people with profound and multiple learning disabilities.</p> <p>In response to Member enquiries, Officers informed the committee that the psychiatrists in St Ann's were part of an integrated team based at St George's.</p> <p>It was noted that a bid for increased funding for the next year formed part of the budget-planning process.</p> <p>RESOLVED:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That the committee receive information on negotiations over the signing of GPs contracts specifically in relation to a contract item on treating patients with Learning Difficulties. 2. That the report and action taken be noted.
OSCO113.	<p>ACUTE STROKE AND MAJOR TRAUMA - ESTABLISHMENT OF PAN LONDON JOINT OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE TO CONSIDER CHANGES TO NHS ACUTE SERVICES</p> <p>The committee received a report on the consultation process for proposals to develop NHS services for acute stroke and major trauma and to agree, in principle, to Haringey's participation in a Joint Overview & Scrutiny Committee to respond to the proposals.</p> <p>It was noted that the JOSC was proposed to include all London boroughs. The committee agreed to take part in the JOSC, and delegated powers to officer to consult with the Chair of Scrutiny to agree the terms of reference of said body.</p> <p>RESOVLED:</p> <p>That the recommendations of the report be agreed.</p>
OSCO114.	<p>CABINET MEMBER QUESTIONS: LEADER OF THE COUNCIL</p> <p>With the consent of the Chair, this item was withdrawn.</p> <p>RESOLVED:</p> <p>That the committee receive the provided answers to questions from Councillor Meehan.</p>
OSCO115.	<p>KNIFE CRIME - FEASIBILITY REPORT ON PROPOSED</p>

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	<p>SCRUTINY REVIEW</p> <p>The committee received a report considering the feasibility of Overview & Scrutiny commissioning a full review of knife crime.</p> <p>RESOLVED:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That a report be brought before the committee in twelve months time, outlining knife crime amongst under 18s. 2. That the proposed Scrutiny Review on the fear of crime not be commissioned.
OSCO116.	<p>POSITION STATEMENT ON THE DELIVERY OF THE DECENT HOMES PROGRAMME</p> <p>The committee received a position statement regarding the current delivery of the Decent Homes Programme.</p> <p>The committee noted that the Council's two-star rating would enable it to access funding for the programme from 2010.</p> <p>It was noted that resident involvement and satisfaction was seen as being crucial for the success of the programme, with a 94% satisfaction rate currently being reported.</p> <p>Members emphasised the importance of the rôle of Clerk of Works, and stated their desire that full use be made of the provided £198million. It was noted that Homes for Haringey enjoyed a positive and constructive relationship with local firms carrying out work on the programme.</p> <p>RESOLVED:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That the committee be provided with information on the ability of the Decent Homes programme to provide broadband. 2. That the report be noted.
OSCO117.	<p>SCRUTINY REVIEW ON STROKE PREVENTION IN HARINGEY SCOPING REPORT</p> <p>The committee received this report to approve the scope and Terms of Reference for the Scrutiny Review of Stroke Prevention in Haringey.</p> <p>RESOLVED:</p> <p>That the scope and Terms of Reference of the Scrutiny Review be approved.</p>
OSCO118.	<p>SCRUTINY REVIEW OF SERVICE BASED TRANSPORT IN ADULT SOCIAL CARE - SCOPING REPORT</p> <p>The committee received the scoping report for the Scrutiny Review of Service Based Transport in Adult Social Care.</p>

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	<p>RESOLVED:</p> <p>That the objectives, methods and timescales as outlined in the report be approved.</p>
OSCO119.	<p>RECYCLING CO-MINGLED & SOURCE SEPERATED COLLECTION METHODS</p> <p>The committee received the Terms of Reference of the Scrutiny Review of Recycling: Co-Mingled and Source Separated Collection Methods.</p> <p>RESOLVED:</p> <p>That the scope and terms of reference of the review be approved.</p>
OSCO120.	<p>SCRUTINY REVIEW OF ANIMAL WELFARE IN HARINGEY</p> <p>The committee received the Terms of Reference of the Scrutiny Review of Animal Welfare in Haringey.</p> <p>RESOLVED:</p> <p>That the scope and terms of reference of the review be approved.</p>
OSCO121.	<p>MINUTES</p> <p>RESOLVED:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That the minutes of the Overview & Scrutiny Committee of 6th October 2008 be confirmed and signed, subject to the addition of apologies for absence from Felicity Kally. 2. That the minutes of the Overview & Scrutiny Committee of 20th October 2008 be confirmed and signed. 3. That the minutes of the Overview & Scrutiny Committee of 27th October 2008 be confirmed and signed, subject to the addition of attendance and declaration of interest of Councillor Egan
OSCO122.	<p>NEW ITEMS OF URGENT BUSINESS</p> <p>There were no such items.</p>

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