NORTH CENTRAL LONDON JOINT HEALTH OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

London Boroughs of Barnet, Camden, Enfield, Haringey and Islington

REPORT TITLE

Work Programme 2020-2021

REPORT OF

Committee Chair, North Central London Joint Health Overview & Scrutiny Committee

FOR SUBMISSION TO

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SUMMARY OF REPORT

This paper provides an outline of the 2020-21 work programme of the North Central London Joint Health Overview & Scrutiny Committee.

Local Government Act 1972 – Access to Information

No documents that require listing have been used in the preparation of this report.

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RECOMMENDATIONS

The North Central London Joint Health Overview & Scrutiny Committee is asked to:

- a) Note the work plan for the remainder of 2020-21;
- b) Agree the bringing forward of the next meeting of the Committee to 19 March 2021;

c) Approve the dates for Committee meetings in 2021/22.

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 This paper outlines the areas that the Committee has chosen to focus on for the remainder of 2020-21, as determined by the last meeting. The Committee is asked to note the list of topics highlighted in Appendix A and consider any amendments that it may like to make.
- 1.2 The next meeting of the JHOSC is scheduled to take place on 26 March. This date now falls within the pre-election period for the London Mayoral elections. It is therefore proposed that the date be brought forward one week to 19 March.
- 1.3 The following provisional dates are proposed for meetings of the JHOSC in 2021/22:
 - 25 June 2021
 - 24 September 2021
 - 26 November 2021
 - 28 January 2022
 - 25 March 2022
- 1.4 Meetings are likely to need to continue to be virtual for the foreseeable future. If and when this changes during the current year, arrangements will need to be made to identify suitable venues for any remaining meetings.

2. Terms of Reference

- 2.1 In considering suitable topics for the JHOSC, the Committee should have regard to its Terms of Reference:
 - To engage with relevant NHS bodies on strategic area wide issues in respect
 of the co-ordination, commissioning and provision of NHS health services
 across the whole of the area of Barnet, Camden, Enfield, Haringey and
 Islington;
 - To respond, where appropriate, to any proposals for change to specialised NHS services that are commissioned on a cross borough basis and where there are comparatively small numbers of patients in each of the participating boroughs;
 - To respond to any formal consultations on proposals for substantial developments or variations in health services across affecting the areas of Barnet, Camden, Enfield, Haringey and Islington and to decide whether to use the power of referral to the Secretary of State for Health on behalf of Councils who have formally agreed to delegate this power to it when responding to formal consultations involving all the five boroughs participating in the JHOSC;

- The joint committee will work independently of both the Cabinet and health overview and scrutiny committees (HOSCs) of its parent authorities, although evidence collected by individual HOSCs may be submitted as evidence to the joint committee and considered at its discretion;
- The joint committee will seek to promote joint working where it may provide
 more effective use of health scrutiny and NHS resources and will endeavour to
 avoid duplicating the work of individual HOSCs. As part of this, the joint
 committee may establish sub and working groups as appropriate to consider
 issues of mutual concern provided that this does not duplicate work by
 individual HOSCs; and
- The joint committee will aim to work together in a spirit of co-operation, striving to work to a consensual view to the benefit of local people

3. Appendices

Appendix A –2020/21 NCL JHOSC Work Programme Appendix B – NCL JHOSC Action Tracker