NORTH CENTRAL LONDON JOINT HEALTH OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

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

REPORT TITLE

Work Programme 2023-2024

REPORT OF

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

FOR SUBMISSION TO

DATE

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18th March 2024

SUMMARY OF REPORT

This paper reports on the 2023/24 work programme of the North Central London Joint Health Overview & Scrutiny Committee and also requests confirmation of the reports for the next meeting.

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 current work programme for 2023-24;
- b) Propose possible future agenda items for the 2024-25 work programme.

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 This item outlines the areas that the Committee has chosen to focus on for 2023-24.
- 1.2 This is the last meeting of the 2023-24 work programme. The next meeting of the JHOSC is scheduled to take place in July 2024. The Committee is requested to consider possible items for inclusion in the 2024-25 work programme.
- 1.3 Full details of the JHOSC's work programme for 2023/24 are listed in **Appendix A**, including scheduled items and also as yet unscheduled items on which the Committee has previously indicated that it wishes to receive further updates.

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 –2023/24 NCL JHOSC Work Programme