

Report for: North Central London, Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee – 17th July 2026

Title: North Central London Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee Membership and Terms of Reference

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Ward(s) affected: N/A

**Report for Key/
Non Key Decision:** N/A

1. Describe the issue under consideration

- 1.1 The North Central London (NCL) Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee (JHOSC) is asked to agree their memberships and note the terms of reference.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1.1 The Committee is asked to note the terms of reference (**Appendix A**) of the NCL JHOSC as agreed at the meeting on 30 January 2026.

3. Reasons for decision

- 3.1 The terms of reference and membership of the scrutiny panels above need to be confirmed at the first meeting of each municipal year.

4. NCL JHOSC Committee

- 4.1 As agreed at the respective Council/ OSC meeting in the five boroughs that make up the NCL JHOSC, the proposed two Councillors for the 2026/27 of the NCL JHOSC are listed below:

Local Authority	Councillors
Barnet	Councillor Zahra Beg Councillor Caroline Stock
Camden	Councillor Lorraine Revah Councillor Arun Kumar

Enfield	Councillor Alev Cazimoglu Councillor Chris Joannides
Haringey	Councillor Lucia das Neves TBC
Islington	Councillor Joe Croft Councillor Kiran Prasad

5. North Central London Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee

5.1 The revised terms of reference, agreed by the JHOSC at its meeting on 30 January 2026, are as follows:

- 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 area of Barnet, Camden, Enfield, Haringey and Islington;
- 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 work together in a spirit of co-operation, striving to work to a consensual view to the benefit of local people.

5.2 A revised terms of reference for the JHOSC is attached (**Appendix A**)

6. Contribution to strategic outcomes

6.1 The contribution scrutiny can make to strategic outcomes will be considered as part of its routine work.

7. Statutory Officers Comments

Finance and Procurement

- 7.1 The Chief Finance Officer has confirmed the Haringey representatives on the JHOSC are not entitled to any remuneration. As a result, there are no direct financial implications arising from the recommendations set out in this report.

Legal

- 7.2 The Assistant Director for Corporate Governance has been consulted on the contents of this report.

Equality

- 7.3 Each authority has a public sector equality duty under the Equalities Act (2010) to have due regard to:
- Tackle discrimination and victimisation of persons that share the characteristics protected under S4 of the Act. These include the characteristics of age, disability, gender reassignment, marriage and civil partnership, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex (formerly gender) and sexual orientation;
 - Advance equality of opportunity between people who share those protected characteristics and people who do not;
 - Foster good relations between people who share those characteristics and people who do not.
- 7.4 The proposals outlined in the report relate to the membership and terms of reference for the NCL JHOSC and carry no direct implications for the five boroughs general equality duty. However, the Committee should ensure that it addresses these duties by considering them within its work programme and those of its panels, as well as individual pieces of work. This should include considering and clearly stating;
- How policy issues impact on different groups within the community, particularly those that share the nine protected characteristics;
 - Whether the impact on particular groups is fair and proportionate;
 - Whether there is equality of access to services and fair representation of all groups within Haringey;
 - Whether any positive opportunities to advance equality of opportunity and/or good relations between people, are being realised.
- 7.5 The Committee should ensure that equalities comments are based on evidence. Wherever possible this should include demographic and service level data and evidence of residents/service-users views gathered through consultation.

9. Use of Appendices

Appendix A – NCL JHOSC Terms of Reference

10. Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985