

Report for: Overview and Scrutiny Committee – 21st July 2026

Title: Overview & Scrutiny Committee Membership Update

Report

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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 Overview and Scrutiny Committee is asked to note a change to its membership.
- 1.2 The Committee is asked to agree which Scrutiny Panel the replacement member will chair for 2026/27.
- 1.3 The Committee is asked to consider the appointment of one Haringey representatives to the North Central London Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee (NCL JHOSC), to replace one of the existing appointments for 2026/27, who has stepped down.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 The Committee is asked to:
 - (a) Note that Cllr Bethany Anderson has resigned as a member of OSC.
 - (b) Note that Cllr Anne Gray was appointed as a member of OSC at Full Council on 20th July 2026.
 - (c) Approve which Scrutiny Panels the Members of OSC will Chair for the remainder of 2026/27.
 - (d) Appoint one Haringey representative to the North Central London Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee (NCL JHOSC) for 2026/27, along with Cllr Lucia das Neves who was appointed by OSC at the meeting on 22nd June 2026.

- (e) Note the changes to the membership of Adults & Health Scrutiny Panel and the Housing, Planning & Development Scrutiny Panel as set out in paragraphs 4.6 and 4.7.

3. Reasons for decision

- 3.1 Membership of Overview & Scrutiny Committee is appointed by Full Council. A Member of the Committee has resigned and their replacement was agreed at Full Council on 20th July 2026.
- 3.2 The purpose of this report is to advise the Committee of the change in its Membership and for the Committee to agree which Scrutiny Panel the new member of OSC will Chair.

4. Overview and Scrutiny Committee

- 4.1 At Annual Council on 20th May 2026, the membership of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee for 2026/27 was agreed as:
- Cllr Lucia das Neves (Chair);
 - Cllr Luke Cawley-Harrison (Vice-Chair);
 - Cllr Bethany Anderson;
 - Cllr Marc Jenner;
 - Cllr Adam Small.
- 4.2 At the meeting of Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 22nd June 2026, the Committee agreed it's Membership and Terms of Reference. Cllr Bethany Anderson was appointed as the Chair of the Adults & Health Scrutiny Panel for the 2026-27 municipal year.
- 4.3 On 9th July 2026, the Democratic Services and Scrutiny Manager received formal notification of Cllr Bethany Anderson stepping down from Overview & Scrutiny Committee.
- 4.4 Full Council appointed Cllr Anne Gray to Overview & Scrutiny Committee to fill the vacancy at its meeting on 20th July 2026.
- 4.5 The Committee is asked to confirm the chairship of the four scrutiny panels.

Scrutiny Panel Membership – Adults & Health Scrutiny Panel

- 4.6 The Committee is advised that Cllr Bethany Anderson has left the Panel and that Cllr Eva Bell has been appointed to the Panel.

Scrutiny Panel Membership – Housing, Planning & Development Scrutiny Panel

- 4.7 The Committee is advised that Cllr Dan Johnson and Cllr Eva Bell have left the Panel and that Cllr Bethany Anderson and Cllr Elara Shurety have been appointed to the Panel.

5. North Central London Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee

- 5.1 Haringey is a member of the North Central London Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee (NCL JHOSC), along with Barnet, Camden, Enfield, and Islington.
- 5.2 Haringey's OSC is entitled to appoint two representatives to the NCL JHOSC. At the June meeting of OSC, the Committee appointed Cllr Lucia das Neves and Cllr Bethany Anderson as Haringey's representatives on the NCL JHOSC.
- 5.3 The Committee needs to appoint a replacement for Cllr Anderson on the NCL JHOSC

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.
- 7.2 Should any of the work undertaken by Overview and Scrutiny generate recommendations with financial implications then these will be highlighted at that time.

Legal

- 7.3 The Director for Legal & Governance has been consulted on the contents of this report.
- 7.4 The OSC can appoint two representatives to the North Central London Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee. This is in accordance with the decision made by full Council on 22 March 2010 that the making of nominations to the Joint Health Committee be delegated to the Committee.

Equality

- 7.5 The Council 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.

7.6 The proposals outlined in this report relate to the membership of the OSC and carry no direct implications for the Council's 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.

7.7 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.

8. Use of Appendices

None.

9. Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985

N/A.