

Report of: Chair of Health and Care Scrutiny Committee

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Executive	11 July 2019	All
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Subject: GP Surgeries – Findings of the Health and Care Scrutiny Committee**1. Synopsis**

- 1.1 This report requests that the Executive receive the report of the Health and Care Scrutiny Committee following the completion of its review of GP Surgeries. A response to the recommendations set out in the report will be considered at a future meeting of the Executive.

2. Recommendation

- 2.1 That the report of the Health and Care Scrutiny Committee be received.
- 2.2 That the Executive Member's response be reported to a future meeting of the Executive, including having due regard to any relevant implications of the Health and Care Scrutiny Committee's recommendations.

3. Background

- 3.1 The review was held between July 2018 and April 2019. The overall aim of the review was to consider the sustainability of general practice and opportunities to support sustainability in the context of rising demand, changing patterns of need, and significant population growth.

- 3.2 The objectives of the review included: To examine service developments in place to support increased capacity in primary care, including social prescribing and options for increasing the number of people, including children, that can benefit from this model, primary care 'at scale' and integrated care and interfaces with other services. The key enablers of primary care were also examined, including digital and technological advances, planned developments in the primary care estate and approaches to both attracting new workforce into Islington and supporting the existing workforce. Contractual approaches to securing the required capacity in general practice were also considered.
- 3.3 In carrying out the review the Committee considered evidence from the Islington GP Federation, the Islington/Haringey CCG, North London partners, the primary care workforce and Public Health.

4. Implications

4.1 Financial Implications

The proposals in the report need to be costed before a response is made by the Executive.

4.2 Legal Implications

Relevant legal implications will be considered as part of the response to the review.

4.3 Environmental Implications

There are no environmental implications at this stage. Any environmental implications will be identified as part of the Executive Member response.

4.4 Resident Impact Assessment

The council must, in the exercise of its functions, have due regard to the need to eliminate discrimination, harassment and victimisation, and to advance equality of opportunity, and foster good relations, between those who share a relevant protected characteristic and those who do not share it (section 149 Equality Act 2010). The council has a duty to have due regard to the need to remove or minimise disadvantages, take steps to meet needs, in particular steps to take account of disabled persons' disabilities, and encourage people to participate in public life. The council must have due regard to the need to tackle prejudice and promote understanding.

The Committee has had regard to any equalities implications and resident impacts identified by witnesses during the course of the review. Details of any such implications are set out in the appended report. A Resident Impact Assessment has not been completed as the Executive is only asked to receive the report at this stage. The impact on residents will need to be fully considered as part of the Executive response to the review, at which point a Resident Impact Assessment will be completed if required.

5. Conclusion and reasons for recommendations

- 5.1 The Committee's conclusions are set out in the appended report. Ten recommendations have been made in response to the evidence received. The Executive is asked to endorse the Committee's recommendations.

Appendices:

- GP Surgeries – Report of the Health and Care Scrutiny Committee

Background papers:

- None.

Final report clearance:

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