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### 1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This paper updates the Health and Wellbeing Board on Primary Care matters across the borough of Enfield, in particular:

- The primary care element of the Sustainability and Transformation Plan
- Review of NCL Co-Commissioning arrangements
- NHS England (London Region) OD Review of the Primary Care Function

### 2. RECOMMENDATIONS

The Enfield Health and Wellbeing Board is asked to note the contents of this report

### 3.1 SUSTAINABILITY AND TRANSFORMATION PLAN (STP)

It was a requirement of NHS England (London Region) that Strategic Planning Groups develop a primary care chapter for the plan prior to the first STP submission milestone of 15<sup>th</sup> April 2016. This was presented and discussed at the GP Transformation Sub-Group meeting on 22<sup>nd</sup> March and 6<sup>th</sup> April 2016 at which the Health and Wellbeing Board was represented by the Director of Public Health, Consultant in Public Health and Senior Public Health Strategist. The chapter sets out a shared North Central London vision for primary care which is to ensure the sustainability of the NCL health economy and reduce the variability of services through an increase in the quality of the offer to patients, enabling all patients to access a wide range of integrated services from premises that are fit for purpose and with the support to manage their own care. This also includes complete commitment to achieving the Strategic Commissioning Framework for Primary Care Transformation in London by 2018/19 in respect of accessible, co-ordinated and proactive care.

The NCL SPG has identified the following priority areas for delivering the vision:

1. We will ensure that we provide **high quality** care for all through a continued commitment to drive improvements in patient centred, clinically safe and effective care;
2. Through the way we deliver services, we will ensure care is **coordinated** around the needs of our patients;
3. We will ensure that care is delivered in a way that is **accessible** to our population, which will contribute to an improved patient experience for our patients;
4. Our practices will work in a **proactive** way to empower patients to take a greater role in their care, encouraging prevention and supporting people to receive the care they need in the community with which they live;
5. We will develop our workforce ensuring that NCL is a leader in primary care **workforce development**, ensuring we recruit the best staff and retain them securing the future of our workforce. Through commitment and investment in our staff we will develop the capacity and capability in primary care and make primary care in NCL a rewarding place to work;
6. We will work towards ensuring that our **premises** are of the highest possible quality within the resources we have, seeking out opportunities for improvement;
7. We will develop our **technology and information** systems ensuring that these are fit for purpose to support our primary care offer.

### **3.2 REVIEW OF NCL CO-COMMISSIONING ARRANGEMENTS**

Following its establishment on 1<sup>st</sup> October 2015, the NCL Joint Committee held a workshop on 6<sup>th</sup> April 2016 in order:

- To take stock of the functioning of the NCL Primary Care Joint Committee.
- To enhance the Committee's understanding of the Strategic Primary Care work in North Central London.
- To assess whether NCL CCGs should engage on applying in October 2016 to move to Level 3 fully delegated authority for primary care commissioning and identify any additional information required to progress this.
- To review what needs to change now to improve the working of the Primary Care Joint Committee.
- To agree next steps for developing the Primary Care Joint Committee.

As a result, each CCG has agreed to explore whether it wishes to apply for fully delegated responsibility for co-commissioning of primary medical services by October 2016 to commence on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2017.

### **3.3 NHS ENGLAND (LONDON REGION) ORGANISATIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND DEVELOPMENT REVIEW OF THE PRIMARY CARE FUNCTION**

Earlier this year, NHS England commissioned two linked pieces of work, looking at current primary care commissioning arrangements and identifying options for future arrangements. This work set out to:

- Understand the needs and expectations of key stakeholders
- Assess the strengths and challenges of the current co-commissioning operating model
- Identify and articulate the key challenges of delivering the Primary Care Commissioning function in the short and medium term in the light of the context set out above and the challenges of workforce and resource
- Provide options and make an assessment as to potential next steps both in the short- medium timescale - 2016/17 - and beyond

The NHSE Co-Commissioning Working Group will be overseeing this, although the governance is currently being worked through. Alison Blair is the SPG representative on this Working Group.

#### 4. **CONCLUSION**

This report provides an update on Primary Care matters in Enfield.