THE EXECUTIVE

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REPORT OF THE BARKING AND DAGENHAM JOINT HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE BOARD

The Chair will be asked to decide whether this report may be considered as a matter of urgency under Section 100 (4)(b) of the Local Government Act 1972 in order that the arrangements for joint Executive and Primary Care Trust decision making can be finalised without delay.

JOINT HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE BOARD - RECENT	FOR DECISION
BUSINESS	

To provide an update for members on the inaugural meeting of the Barking and Dagenham Joint Health and Social Care Board that took place on 14 April 2003; and seek approval and ratification of the Joint Health and Social Care Board's Constitution, Terms of Reference and Memorandum of Agreement.

Summary

The inaugural meeting of the Barking and Dagenham Joint Health and Social Care Board on 14 April was a success and marks a major step forward in formalising the partnership between the Primary Care Trust and the London Borough of Barking and Dagenham and furthering health and social care integration. The creation of the Board was also recognised as being a significant initiative in helping to deliver greater democratisation of health services. It is probably the first such Board of its type in the country.

The Board, jointly chaired by Councillor Charles Fairbrass, Chair of the Council Executive and Ray Parkin, PCT Chair, discussed and agreed to recommend to the Council Executive and PCT Board the attached:

- Constitution
- Terms of Reference
- Memorandum of Agreement

The Board also received papers on:

- Contractual arrangements for senior managers working across health and social care
- Emergency access and intermediate care
- Improving performance with the health of looked after children

Recommendation

The Executive is recommended to note the progress of the Board and agree the attached Constitution, Terms of Reference and Memorandum of Agreement

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