HEALTH AND ADULT SERVICES SELECT COMMITTEE
13 November 2017

Title: Barking and Dagenham, Havering and Redbridge Clinical Commissioning Groups’ Consultations on Spending NHS Money Wisely

Report of the Director of Law and Governance

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Summary:

The Barking and Dagenham, Havering and Redbridge Clinical Commissioning Groups’ (BHR CCGs) published an engagement document in April 2017, Spending NHS Money Wisely’ (SNMW1) which discussed potential future savings options to help achieve a saving of £55 million, in relation to the following services:

- IVF;
- Sterilisation;
- Prescribing;
- Cosmetic procedures and
- Weight loss surgery.

These proposals were considered by the Council’s Health and Adult Services Select and Committee (HASSC) and the Health and Wellbeing Board. The Council’s response to the SNMW1 consultation is at Appendix 1.

Since then the BHR CCGs have started a consultation on the second phase of these proposals, known as Spending NHS Money Wisely, Phase 2 (SNMW2), which relate to the following:

- Cataract surgery;
- Podiatry;
- Ear wax removal;
- Some injections for back pain;
- Osteopathy; and
- Some medications

The BHR CCGs estimate that these proposals, if they are all implemented, could save up to £4 million a year. The BHR CCGs’ formal consultation document for SNMW2 is at Appendix 2.
The SNMW2 proposals were presented and discussed at the Outer North-East London Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee (JHOSC) on 10 October 2017. The JHOSC’s response to the proposals is at Appendix 3. Three members of the HASSC, Councillors Chand, Oluwole and Jones, are also members of the JHOSC and were present at the JHOSC meeting on 10 October 2017.

Dr Ravi Goriparthi, a local GP and Clinical Director at BHR CCGs, has been invited to the HASSC meeting to deliver a presentation, which will summarise the:

a) Outcomes of the SNMW1 proposals; and
b) The proposals in SNMW2.

Officers have produced a draft response to SNMW2 on behalf of the HASSC. This is at Appendix 4 for the HASSC’s consideration.

The deadline to respond to the SNMW2 consultation is 5.00pm on 15 November 2017.

Recommendation(s)

Members of the HASSC are recommended to:

(i) Where clarification is needed, ask questions of the BHR CCGs’ representative on the outcomes of SNMW1 and note the outcomes of SNMW1;
(ii) Where clarification is needed, ask questions of the BHR CCGs’ representative on the SNMW2 proposals and note the proposals;
(iii) Note the JHOSC’s response to the SNMW2 proposals at Appendix 3;
(iv) Consider the draft response prepared by officers on behalf of the HASSC to SNMW2 at Appendix 4, and provide their comments;
(v) Note that the deadline to respond to the SNMW2 consultation is 5.00pm on 15 November 2017; and
(vi) Delegate authority to Councillor Chand, the Chair of the HASSC, to provide sign off on the final response to SNMW2 on behalf of the Committee.

Reason(s)

These proposals fall under the HASSC’s remit, which includes the scrutiny of any matter relating to the planning, provision and operation of the health service in the borough or accessed by Barking and Dagenham residents.

Implications

Financial Implications

Implications completed by Katherine Heffernan - Service Finance Group Manager

This report is mainly for information and relates to the Council’s response to BHR CCG’s consultation proposals on Spending NHS Money Wisely. As such there are no financial implications arising directly from the report.
Legal Implications

Implications completed by: Dr. Paul Field, Senior Solicitor

There are no legal implications particular to this report.

Appendices

Appendix 1  The Council’s response to the SNMW1 consultation
Appendix 2  The BHR CCGs’ consultation document for SNMW2
Appendix 3  The JHOSC’s response to SNMW2
Appendix 4  The draft response on behalf on the HASSC to SNMW2