HEALTH SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Wednesday 29 November 2023

Title: Community Diagnostic Centre

Report of the Chief Operating Officer, Barking, Havering and Redbridge University Hospital Trust (BHRUT)

Open Report	For Information
Wards Affected: All wards	Key Decision: No
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Summary

This report outlines an update on the progress of the new Community Diagnostic Centre (CDC) at the Barking Community Hospital (BCH).

As the demand for more diagnostic services (including checks, scans and tests) increases, the CDC at BCH will be able to accommodate for these changes as well as the growing population within the borough.

The opening of the new CDC will allow patients to benefit from a larger scope of diagnostic services, more specifically, the availability of 72,000 extra scans a year. A variety of scanning equipment such as MRI, CT and ultrasound will be available alongside consultation rooms, waiting areas and other public facilities such as hearing induction loops. Other new and innovative tests include cystosponge, colon capsules and transnasal endoscopy and a rapid asynchronous triage clinic for oral lesions.

Fiona Wheeler, Chief Operating Officer, Sas Banerjee, Clinical Cancer Lead and Christiane Zelenyanszki, Programme and Service Development Lead – Community Diagnostics will give a presentation on the new CDC to the Health Scrutiny Committee.

Recommendation(s)

The Health Scrutiny Committee is recommended to note.

Reason(s)

This report is for noting and allows the Committee to put questions to the officer presenting the report.