


<p>Non-Executive Report of the:</p> <p><b>Health and Wellbeing Board</b></p> <p>5 December 2023</p>	
<p><b>Report of:</b> Directorate of Integrated Commissioning</p>	<p><b>Classification:</b></p> <p>Unrestricted</p>
<p><b>Report Title: 2023/24 Winter Plan Update</b></p>	

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<p><b>Wards affected</b></p>	<p>All wards</p>

### Executive Summary

The winter plan is developed to provide additional resource to support Urgent and Emergency Care (UEC) resilience and performance during winter October 2023 to March 2024. The plan has been developed in collaboration with stakeholders representing system partners, from across health and social care. The schemes are targeted to achieve the following goals:

- Strengthening the provision and access of alternative pathways to reduce UEC footfall and attendance
- Optimising flow through Acute, Mental Health and Community trust sites.
- Engaging in proactive population health management to keep people well in the community

These schemes are expected to sustain urgent and emergency care resilience and performance over the winter period, by helping prevent avoidable admissions or by reducing discharge delays over the winter 2023/24.

The winter plan is funded from multiple sources:

- NEL ICB has earmarked £200k from demand and capacity funding. No further additional funding has been announced from NHS England. Additionally,
- North East London (NEL) Integrated Care System (ICS) was identified as a tier one UEC system. Systems identified as tier one, are considered the most challenged and eligible to apply for targeted funding through the Department of Health & Social (DHSC). The local authority submitted a proposal and was awarded a grant of circa £687k (based on schemes costed over a 6-month period). The funds are additional to existing LA expenditure and capacity

plans and linked to NHS winter surge plans and Better Care Fund demand and capacity plans,

- Section 256 funding is being considered as a potential vehicle to fund schemes that have “funding to be determined. The process is under development and initiatives under this category must demonstrate how they fit the seven Tower Hamlets Together priorities to qualify for funding. The process is under development.

### **Recommendations:**

The Health and Wellbeing Board is recommended to:

1. Note the update and the next steps.

### **1. REASONS FOR THE DECISIONS**

1.1. No decision required.

### **2. ALTERNATOVE OPTIONS**

2.1. Not applicable.

### **3. DETAILS OF THE REPORT**

3.1. Slides attached.

### **4. EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS**

4.1. Not applicable.

### **5. OTHER STATUTORY IMPLICATIONS**

5.1. Not applicable.

### **6. COMMENTS OF THE CHIEF FINANCE OFFICER**

6.1. Not applicable.

### **7. COMMENTS OF LEGAL SERVICES**

7.1. Not applicable.

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## **Linked Reports, Appendices and Background Documents**

### **Linked Report**

- None

### **Appendices**

- None

### **Local Government Act, 1972 Section 100D (As amended) List of “Background Papers” used in the preparation of this report**

List any background documents not already in the public domain including officer contact information.

- None

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