



North West London

Insight

North Kensington update. A bulletin where we share the learning and insight from the North Kensington Recovery Programme (Grenfell).



North West London
Integrated Care System

Welcome

We recently shared details on what we had previously heard about the Grenfell-affected community's health needs and our proposals to make changes to support a community-led recovery.

The [Next Steps document](#) collated all the rich insight the NHS alongside our valued partners has pulled together over the last few years by asking survivors, bereaved and the local community lots of questions about their current health needs and what they are worried might occur in the future.

This feedback has also fed into the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA), which has now been published.

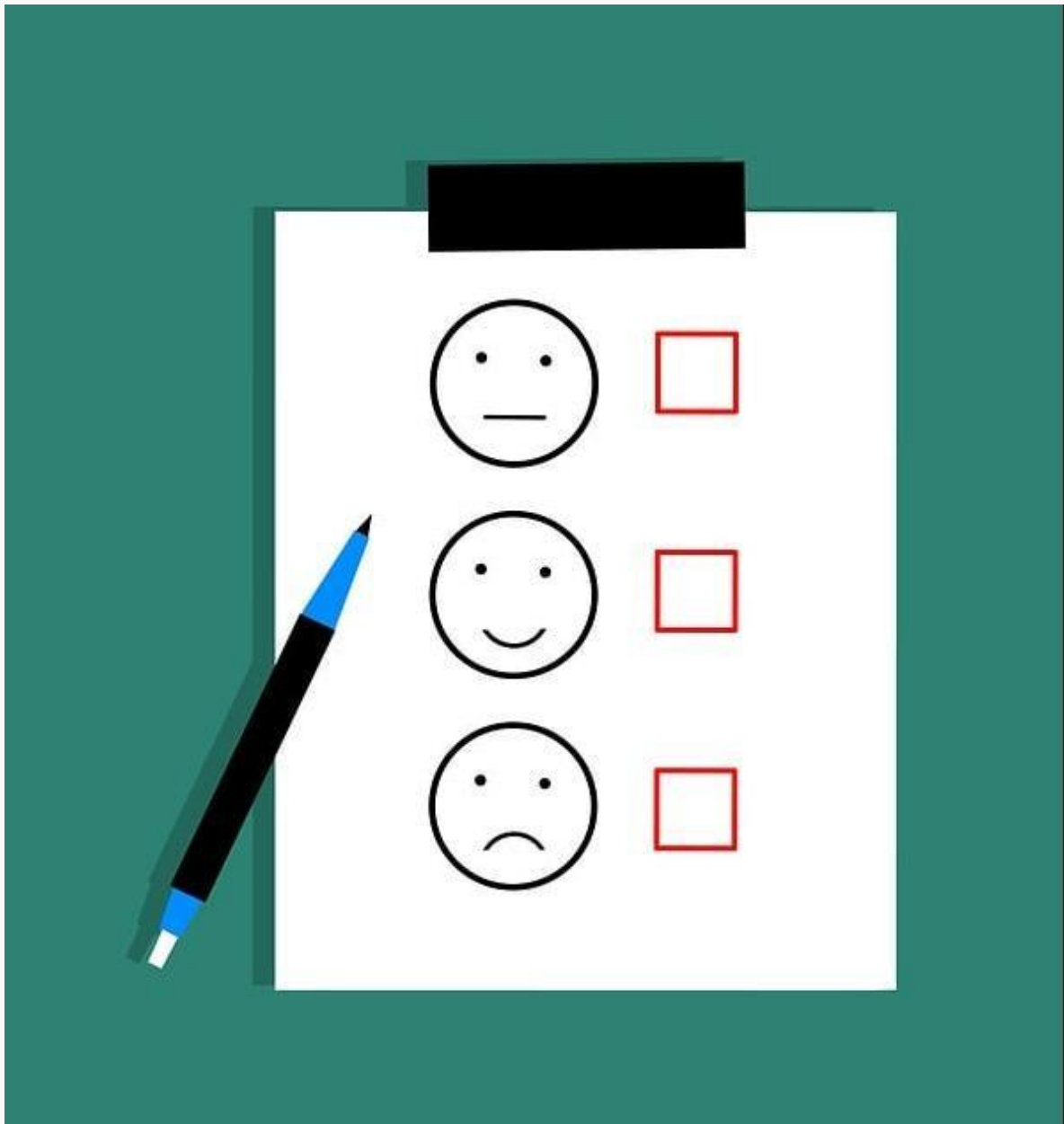
We've received lots of feedback from our valued partners that people want more of a say and that the NHS needs to be more open about what they are doing.

We have listened very carefully to this feedback and although recent elections regrettably meant we had to put a temporary pause on our plans to engage further with the community, it has meant we were able to reflect on this past feedback and propose a way forward.

We need to move quickly. Despite the disruption to our plans caused by recent elections we are still required to produce a new North Kensington Recovery programme business case at the end of August 2024 and we want to make sure the up-to-date views of the local community are included.

The intention of the business case is to describe how we will move to a community-led recovery and ensure we are using the resources we have as effectively as possible, which is something people have fed back they want us to do. The business case will be considered by NHS England and will lead to a decision on the future funding for health services for Grenfell-affected populations.

[Find out more](#)



We want to hear from you

As part of this process we wish to gather the views from as wide a section of the community as possible. We would like to thank our partners for their support and goodwill as we check in with you all, to ensure we are on the right track.

We will be out and about in the local community meeting local organisation and stakeholders and will also hold some online meetings for people to attend.

If you would like to meet with us or propose we organise a meeting at a community venue near to you, please let us know by emailing us on nhsnw1.nkrt@nhs.net.

You can also give your feedback using the following ways:

- Complete this **short survey**
- Email us using nhsnw1.nkrt@nhs.net

· Write to us at: North Kensington Recovery Programme, Freepost Healthier North West London (please note you do not need to use a postage stamp)

Thank you for your support.

Best wishes,

North Kensington Recovery team

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In memorium: seven years on



The Grenfell Tower Memorial Commission (GTMC) has launched the process to appoint a future design team for a bold, fitting and lasting memorial to the 72 victims of 14 June 2017.

A shortlist of five will be selected in the autumn and given £20,000 each to produce designs before a winner is picked next spring and a planning application submitted in 2027.

The GTMC has also published a film to mark the seventh anniversary of the tragedy, featuring individuals representing bereaved families, the survivors, and the local residents who live close to Grenfell Tower.

The 'prayer boards' featured in the film are currently being housed by the Bishopsgate Institute in London, where part of the film was shot alongside several locations in North Kensington. This is part of the move towards respectful archiving.

[Find out more](#)

JSNA now available

The Grenfell Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA) has been refreshed during the final phases of the Council's five-year Grenfell Recovery Strategy.

The purpose of the JSNA (2024) refresh is to build a better understanding of the ongoing impact of the Grenfell tragedy on survivors and bereaved and local residents.

[Find out more](#)

New Assistant Director

Keir Mann has been appointed as the new acting Assistant Director for the North Kensington Recovery (NKR) programme. The appointment is for an initial period until September, to provide the programme with leadership while NHS North West London completes its restructure.

Many of you will have worked with Keir before as he has been part of the North Kensington Recovery team for the past three years in the role of Head of North Kensington Recovery and Partnerships.

[Find out more](#)

Get a free health check this summer



Enhanced Health Checks (EHCs) are a great way for you and your family to check in with the health professional about any health concerns you may have.

EHCs are available both via the GP or in a variety of community locations. Edward Woods Community Centre has kindly agreed to start hosting these checks on the first Friday of every month, starting on Friday 2 August (2024).

[Find out more](#)

Digital platform to support Palliative and End of Life Care



HPAL is a unique digital platform designed to support Integrated Palliative and End of Life Care across the areas covered by NHS North West London ICS.

HPAL brings together the best resources in palliative care, making them easily accessible for clinicians, patients, and carers. It features a ready populated clinical triage tool designed to address common clinical challenges in Palliative Care through a clinically designed search function. The service directory provides real-time information on available services in each Borough across North West London.

There's also a portal dedicated for family carers to improve self-management for both patients and carers.

Over 500 users accessed the website within the first three days of being launched, receiving excellent feedback for its ease of use.

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Not just a rash...

Measles **is not** just a rash



1 in 4 babies and
children who get
measles could
end up in hospital.*

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*Estimates from UKHSA show hospitalisation rates vary by age, ranging from 20% to 40% of cases.



Measles isn't just a rash that can cause your child discomfort; it also puts them at risk of serious health complications if the infection spreads to the brain or lungs.

Measles spreads very easily and we are currently seeing a rise in cases across north west London. The best way to prevent the infection and the associated risks is through vaccination.

The MMR (measles, mumps and rubella) vaccine has been repeatedly tested and is regularly reviewed to make sure it's completely safe. Detailed information about the vaccine is available on the NHS website.

If you have questions about measles or the MMR vaccination, contact your GP for advice. Alternatively, you can visit one of the NHS pop-up clinics appearing this summer across north west London to talk to a health professional. These are local walk in sites so no appointment is needed.

[Find out more](#)

Blood donations save lives



The NHS needs your help to keep providing lifesaving blood to the NHS this summer.

There's an urgent request for blood from O negative and B negative donors.

There's also a call out for more donors of black heritage as there is an increased demand for some rare blood subtypes, such as Ro, to provide better matched blood to those who need it (patients with sickle cell disease, for example).

[Find out more](#)

Supporting health through creativity



Londoners Making London is a new book by Jan Kattein, celebrating the creativity of communities and projects that have changed London for the better.

One of the creatives referenced in the book is North Kensington resident, artist and creator Rasha El-Sady for her contribution to supporting the community's mental health through creativity sessions at ACAVA's Maxilla Men's Shed.

Founded in 2019 and funded by the NHS NK Healthier Futures Programme, Maxilla Men's Shed is a community workshop and maker space with a focus on tackling social isolation, primarily designed for men but also accommodating women.

A key role of the Shed's programmes is to provide critical community engagement for those impacted by the Grenfell fire.

Congratulations to Rasha and thank you for everything you do.

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