

# Local palliative care services

*Background, engagement  
& next steps*

# Background

- **October 2018** - suspension of the Pembridge inpatient unit due to lack of consultant cover
- **December 2018** - independent review of palliative care services in RBKC, H&F, Westminster and Brent
- **June 2019** – Review published & made a number of recommendations on improvements for a future model of care
- **September/October 2019** - 3 public workshops held focussing on; ‘Access, ‘Care’ & ‘Aftercare & Bereavement’
  - Recruited volunteers for a Patient & Public Working Group
- **November 2019** – First Patient & Public Working Group meeting

# Workshop feedback



## PALLIATIVE CARE SERVICES WORKSHOPS

# Our Vision



- **Timely access to expert assessment, advice and care,** based on the best levels of evidence available
- Ensure patients, families and carers are **treated with dignity and respect** and are supported to be in control over the last phase of life

# Your involvement

- **Ideas** on the best way to engage?
- **Messaging** – lack of awareness around what palliative care means; people feel uncomfortable talking about the subject
- **Opportunities** to circulate questionnaires for feedback

# Timeline

- **February** – engagement on potential solutions
- **March** – engagement outcomes presented at the CCG's Governing Body meetings
- **March/ April** – Mayoral Purdah – local elections
- **May** – if the preferred solution means a significant service change the CCGs will start a public consultation
- Consultation would then require further engagement & will determine next steps