

## **Involvement options**

In February of this year we engaged with the local community across the 4 boroughs on a number of 'potential scenarios' which was published in an 'involvement document' which set out the current thinking about how we may organise specialist palliative care services in the future.

The 4 scenarios we wanted to get feedback on from the local community and staff were:

### **Scenario 1—Services remain the same.**

This scenario would keep all palliative care services as they are including the re-opening of the inpatient unit at the Pembridge, subject to the appointment of a palliative care consultant. In-patient, day and community care services would continue as they are.

### **Scenario 2- Some improvements to day and community services with in-patient services remaining the same.**

This scenario would keep in-patient services as they are now, including the re-opening of the inpatient unit at the Pembridge subject to the appointment of a palliative care consultant.

Community services would also be standardised to 5 days week. This scenario would also lead to some improvements in the co-ordination of out of hours advice.

### **Scenario 3—A re-design of all elements of palliative care services.**

This scenario would see in-patient services delivered from four rather than five sites but without reducing the number of beds that the NHS funds.

This would enable CCGs to fund enhanced community services 7 days a week, with 24/7 admissions for patients. It would also provide an out-of-hours nurse visiting service and Hospice@Home available to all.

### **Scenario 4—A re-design of all elements of palliative care services including access to a new nurse-led inpatient service.**

This scenario would see in-patient services delivered from four rather than five hospices but without reducing the number of beds that the NHS funds. CCGs would then fund enhanced community services.

Patients who do not have complex medical needs, but whose preference is to die in a hospice environment could receive nurse-led care at a bed in North Kensington provided by the Pembridge Palliative Care.