

Healthier Communities Select Committee		
Title	Healthwatch report: The Vietnamese Community and Access to Health and Wellbeing Services in Lewisham	
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1. Purpose

- 1.1 HealthWatch Bromley and Lewisham has written a report titled 'The Vietnamese Community and Access to Health and Wellbeing Services in Lewisham'.
- 1.2 Through this report, Healthwatch Bromley and Lewisham draw attention to experiences of access to health and social care services faced by members of the Vietnamese community living in Lewisham. The report presents themes that emerged through Healthwatch engagement and highlights the key issues that are important for this community. Recommendations are provided, where possible, with the aim to support decision making and commissioning of services which will improve access for this community.
- 1.3 Healthwatch Bromley and Lewisham has provided their report to the Healthier Communities Select Committee, and requested that the Committee provide a response to the report and its recommendations.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 The Committee is asked to:
 - Note the content of the report on 'The Vietnamese Community and Access to Health and Wellbeing Services in Lewisham' in **Appendix A**.
 - Direct any questions to the representatives from Healthwatch Bromley and Lewisham present at the meeting.
 - Formulate a response to the recommendations in the report as per the Healthwatch Lewisham and Bromley Report & Recommendation Response form in **Appendix B**

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