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| <b>Health in Hackney Scrutiny Commission</b><br><br>15 March 2023<br><br><b>‘Together Better’ project - Volunteering in Primary Care</b> | Item No<br><br><b>4</b> |
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## **PURPOSE OF ITEM**

To hear from Volunteer Centre Hackney about an innovative project called ‘Together Better - volunteering in Primary Care’.

## **OUTLINE**

Cllr Kennedy drew Members’ attention to this at our 12 January meeting in the context of wider discussions about prevention work in primary care.

‘Together Better’ is a joint project among seven GP surgeries around Hackney and Volunteer Centre Hackney, funded by NEL ICS, to support patients to volunteer and share their skills and deliver activities to other patients. These include: walking groups, peer support groups, arts workshops and exercise classes. They support patients engaging in these activities as most of whom are isolated and struggling with mental or physical health issues.

Attending for this item will be:

**Clare Ferrigi**, Community Development Manager, Volunteer Centre Hackney  
**Krista Brown**, Community Development Officer, Volunteer Centre Hackney

Attached please find: presentation ‘*Together Better Volunteering in Primary Care*’

## **ACTION**

Members are requested to give consideration to the presentation.