

LONDON BOROUGH OF CAMDEN	WARDS: All
REPORT TITLE 'Black Women Rising' Cancer Support Project	
REPORT OF Founder of the Leanne Pero Foundation	
FOR SUBMISSION TO Camden Health and Wellbeing Board	DATE 12 th July 2023
SUMMARY OF REPORT The Black Women Rising cancer support project is the flagship programme of The Leanne Pero Foundation, a registered UK charity offering vital help, information and practical advice for people of colour who have been diagnosed with cancer. This item provides an opportunity for learning on the matter of tackling inequalities and disproportionality, a key priority of the Borough Partnership's Health and Wellbeing Strategy, as well as exposure to the local health system for the charity. Local Government Act 1972 – Access to Information No documents that require listing have been used in the preparation of this report. Contact Officer: Charlotte Crowl Partnerships Lead, Black Women Rising The Leanne Pero Foundation Unit 419, Peckham Levels, SE15 4ST charlotte@leannepero.com Colin Gajewski Senior Policy and Projects Officer London Borough of Camden 5 Pancras Square, N1C 4AG colin.gajewski@camden.gov.uk	
RECOMMENDATION That the Board note the contents of the report	

Signed:

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Leanne Pero
Founder of the Leanne Pero Foundation

Date: 29th June 2023

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1. The Camden Health and Wellbeing Strategy states that the Borough Partnership will work toward achieving greater health equity in Camden, with a commitment to tackling inequalities and disproportionality forming one of its five guiding principles. This means building trust through anti-racist practices, working to actively reduce disproportionality in health access and outcomes, and drawing on trusted partners to achieve these goals.
- 1.2. The Board is committed to learn from partner organisations from across Camden and beyond, particularly those engaged in campaigns and activity that seek to reverse entrenched health inequalities. This involves utilising the Board as a space for dialogue and a platform for providing additional exposure to organisations who share our vision and values. In this context, the Health and Wellbeing Board welcomes Black Women Rising to speak about their ongoing cancer support project and explore options for collaboration with the Camden Borough Partnership.
- 1.3. Black Women Rising also hosted an awareness session in partnership with Camden Council's Women of Colour Progression Network in October 2022.

2. The work of Black Women Rising

- 2.1. The Black Women Rising cancer support project is the flagship programme of The Leanne Pero Foundation, a registered UK charity offering vital help, information and practical advice for people of colour who have been diagnosed with cancer.
- 2.2. The charity delivers bespoke projects that provide a platform for cancer patients and survivors to come forward and share their stories, helping to build a picture of the overall patient experience for people of colour. It also works in conjunction with mainstream cancer support charities and brands to ensure that the experiences of patrons are heard and are reaching the right people to bring about change.
- 2.3. The Black Women Rising support project appreciates the invitation to participate in Camden's Health and Wellbeing Board. The accompanying slide deck provides further information on our work, and points for the Board to consider.

3. Finance Comments of the Executive Director Corporate Services

The Director of Finance has been consulted on the content of this report and has no comment to make at this time.

4. Legal Comments of the Borough Solicitor

The Borough Solicitor has been consulted and has no comments to add to the report.

5. Environmental Implications

There are no environmental implications to this report

6. Appendices

Appendix A: Black Women Rising Slides

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