

The Experience of GP Services

A trends analysis report by Healthwatch Hackney



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Healthwatch is the official consumer champion for users of health and social care services. We listen to people's stories, good and bad, and report on their collective experience. In this report, we examine the experience of local GP services.

Qualitative Feedback, 1 April 2025 - 31 March 2026

Index and overview of findings

Data Source (Page 4)

This report is based on the experience of 2,037 people. Feedback has been obtained from a variety of sources, including engagement, surveys and comments posted online (NHS, Care Opinion and social media).

Top Themes (Page 5)

The vast majority of people receive good quality, compassionate treatment and care, with good levels of support and involvement. According to feedback, patients would like greater levels of service access.

Overall sentiment is 87% positive and 13% negative, comments suggest.

Trends...

According to feedback, overall satisfaction has improved by 4% this quarter.

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Service Access (Page 6)

People continue to report difficulties with telephone access, associated problems with booking, and longer than expected waits for routine appointments.

Trends...

Satisfaction on service access has improved by 9% this quarter, comments suggest. Complaints are down by 14% on waiting times and by 7% on booking processes.

Spring Hill Practice and The Lea Surgery receive a notable volume and ratio of positive comments.

Clinical Treatment and Staff Attitude (Pages 7-8)

Experiences indicate the vast majority of people receive good quality, compassionate treatment and nursing care, with good levels of involvement and support. Ability to see a clinician in person (choice) is an issue for some.

Trends...

This quarter, complaints are down by 5% on treatment and care and by 3% on staff attitude.

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Administration and Communication (Pages 9-10)

Many people complain of general administration. The ability to obtain prescriptions, make a complaint and staff training are also cited as issues.

Trends...

Complaints are down by 7% on administration and by 4% on communication.

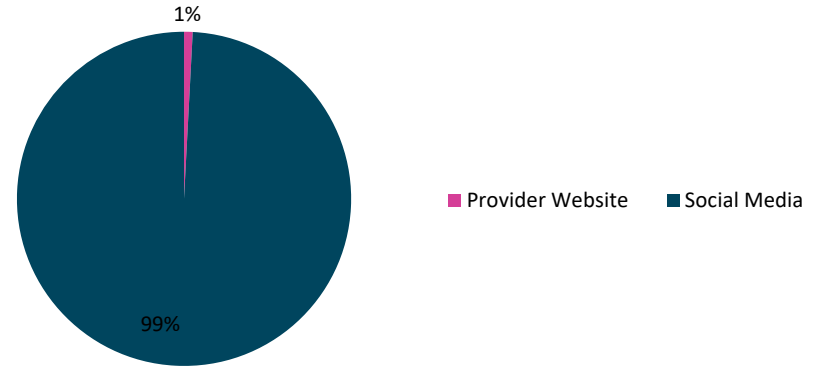
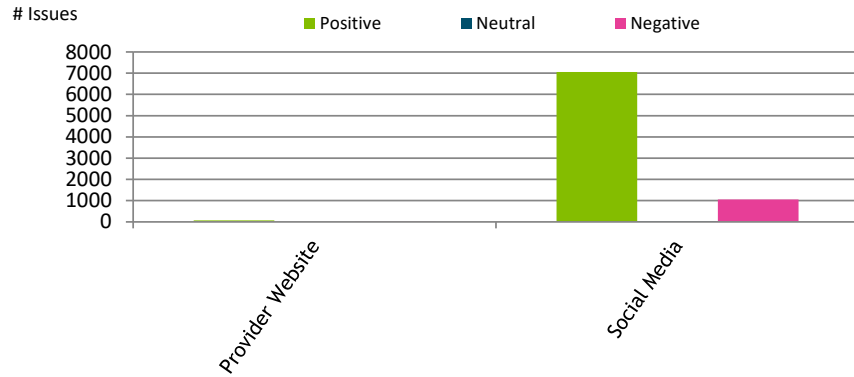
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Disclaimer: The trends within this report are based on service user comments we have obtained from sources outlined on Page 4. Comments obtained from these sources may not be representative of all service users experiences or opinions.

1. Data Origin and Conditions/Topics

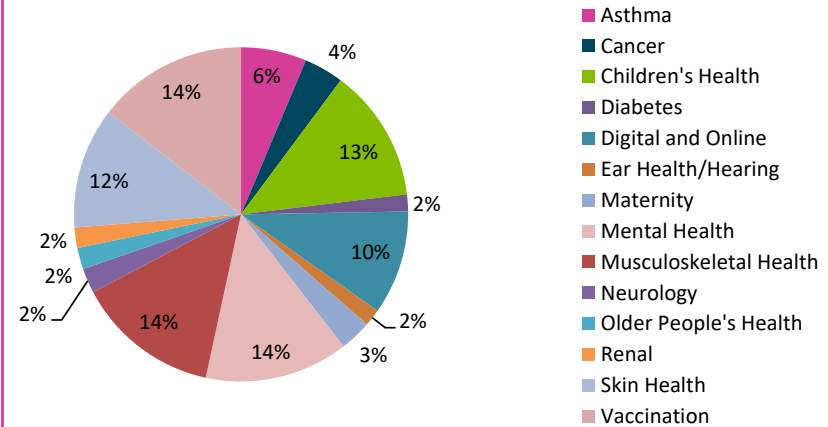
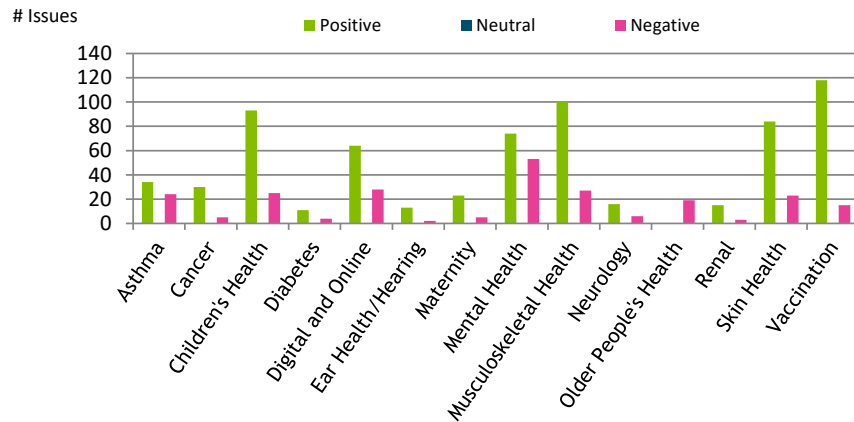


1.1 Source



Origins providing the most comments overall

1.2 Stated medical conditions/topics

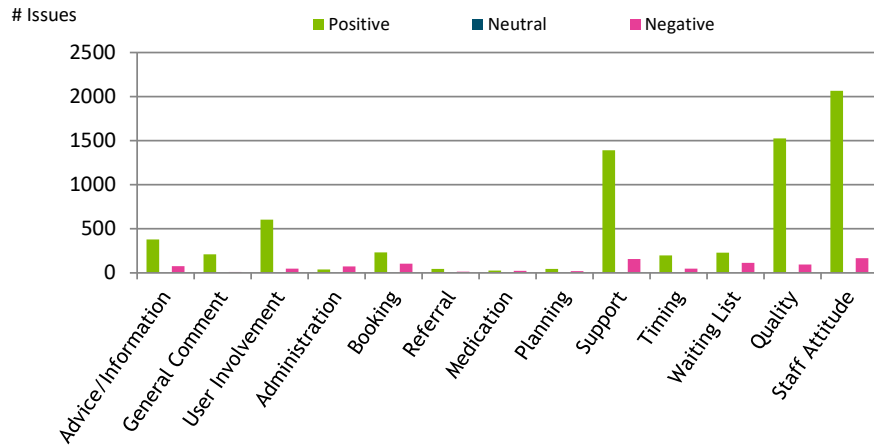


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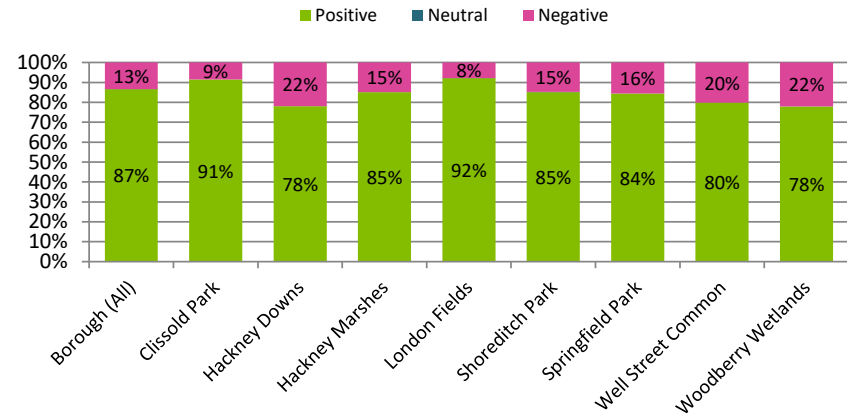
2.1 Overall Themes and Sentiment

2.1.1 Overall, Top Trends: 8267 issues from 2037 people



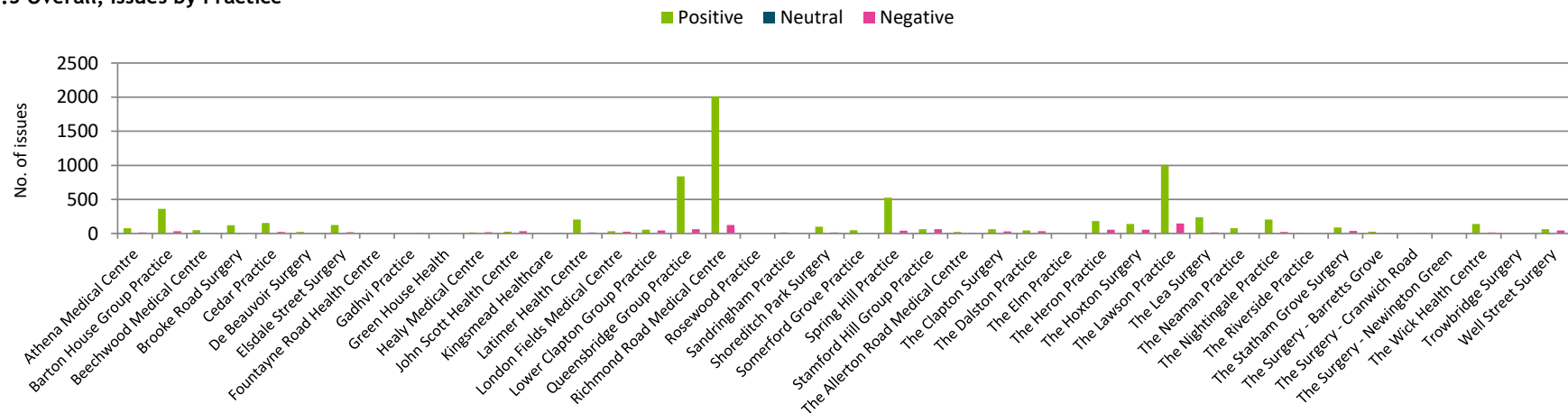
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2.1.2 Overall, Sentiment by Primary Care Network



Sentiment by PCN

2.1.3 Overall, Issues by Practice

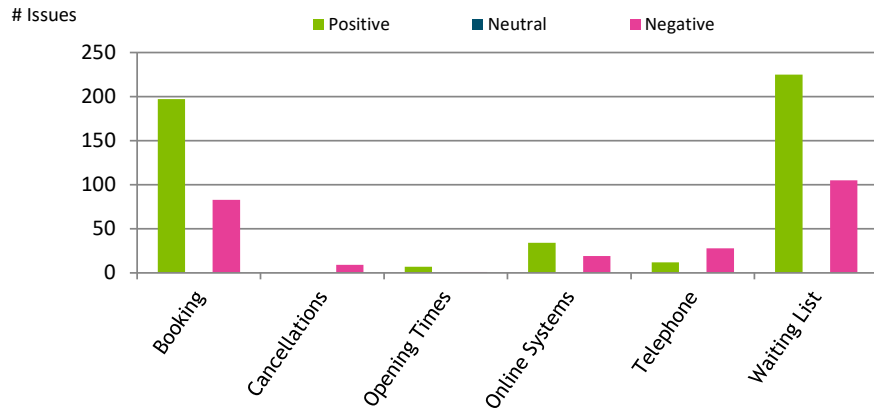


Practices receiving the most comments overall

2.2 Service Access

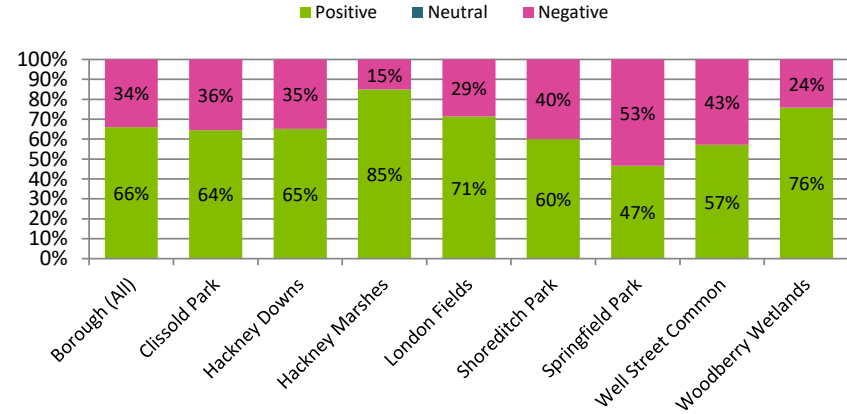


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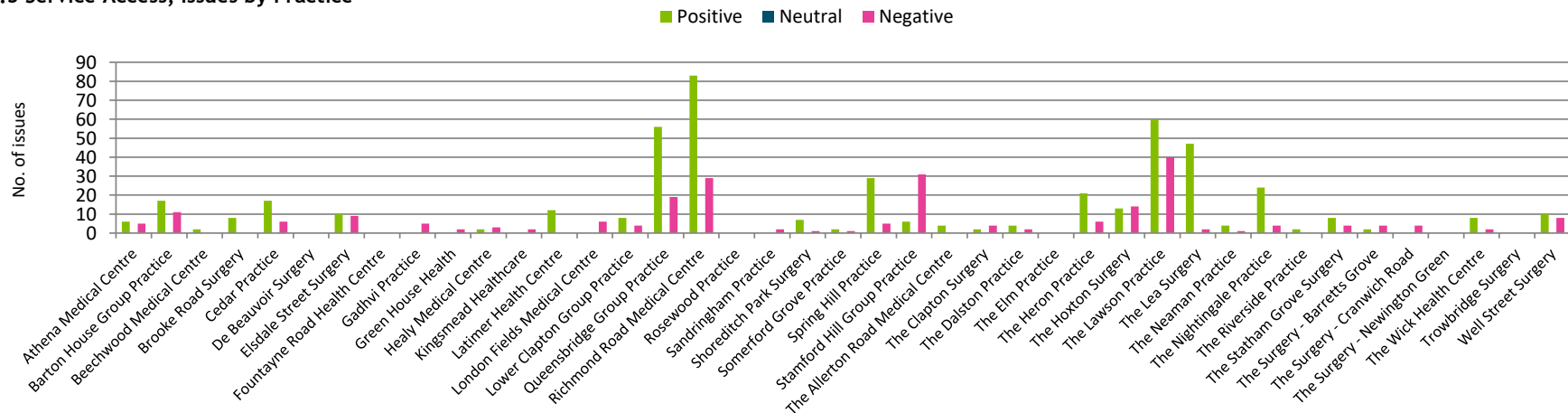
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2.2.3 Service Access, Issues by Practice

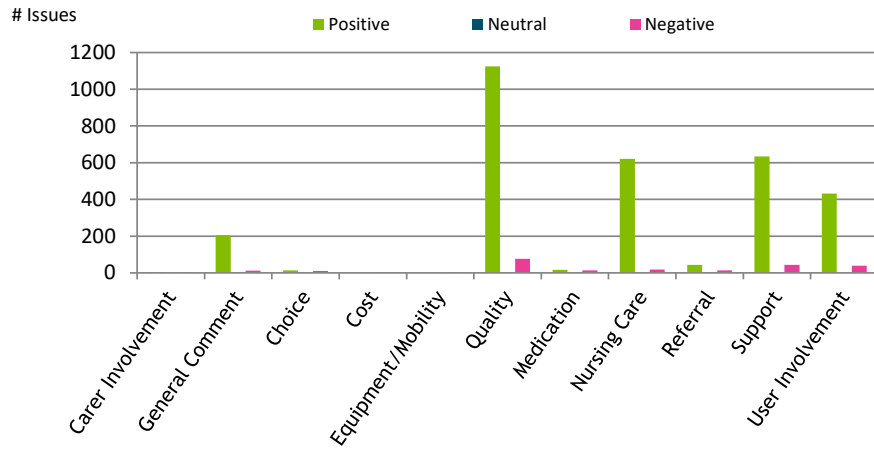


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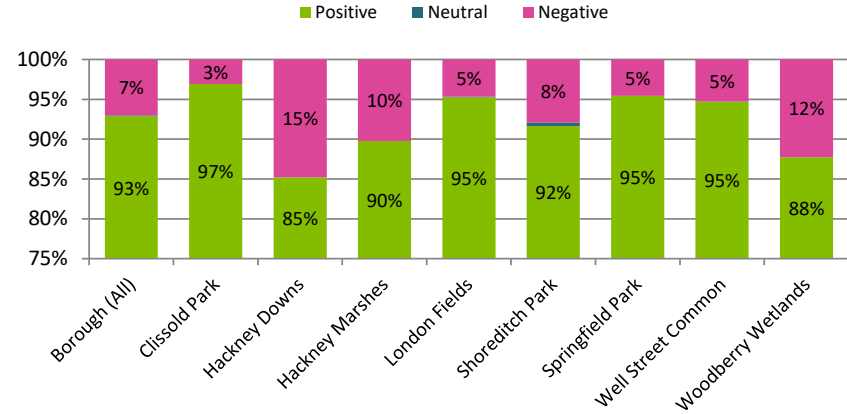


2.3.1 Treatment: 3334 issues detected



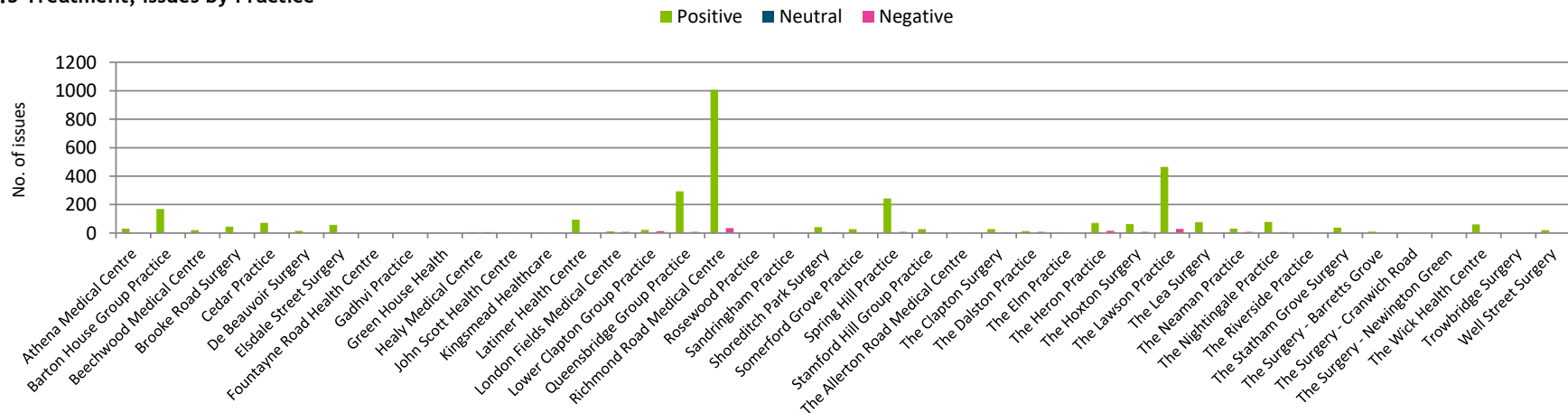
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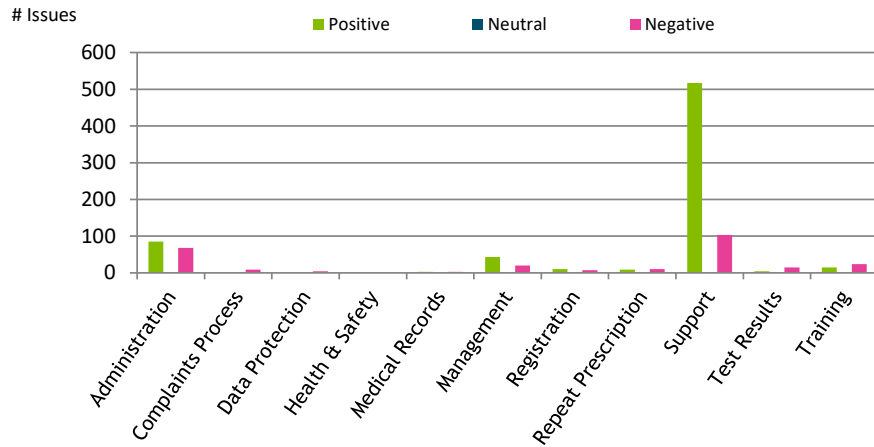


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2.5 Administration

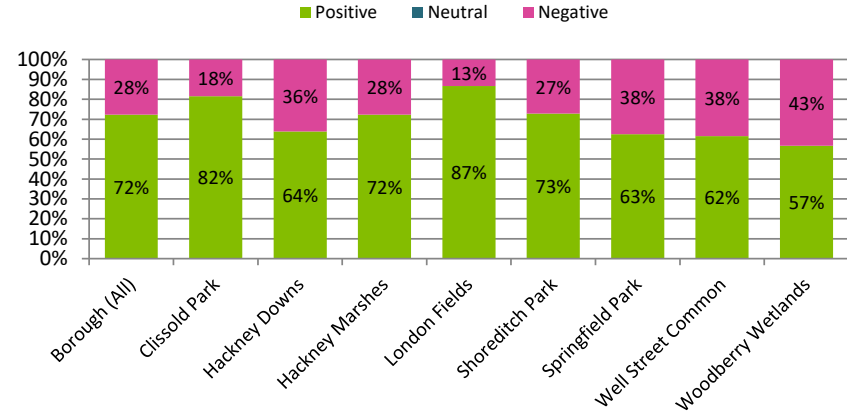


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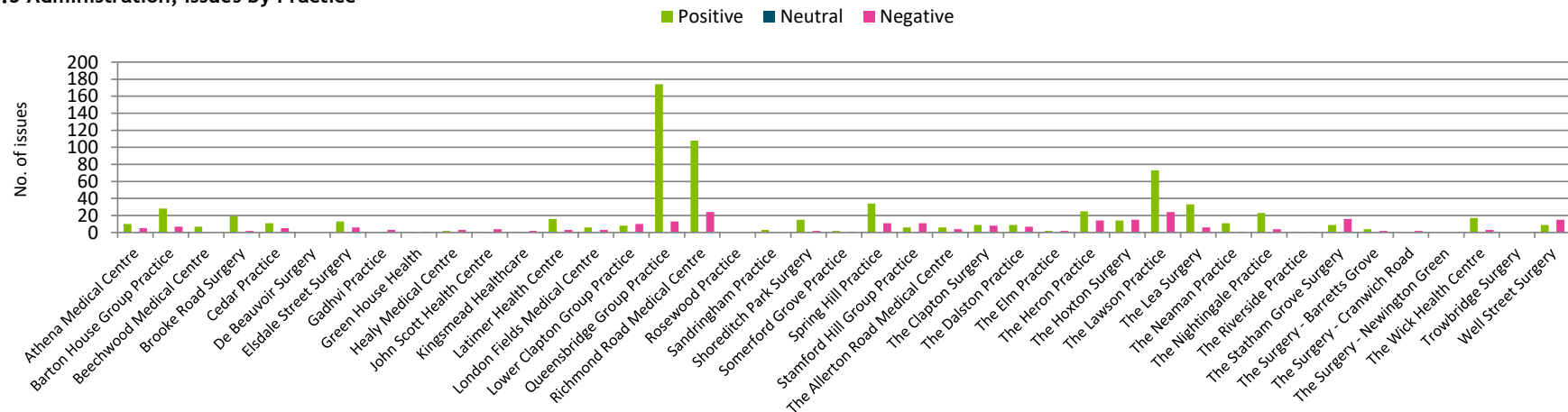
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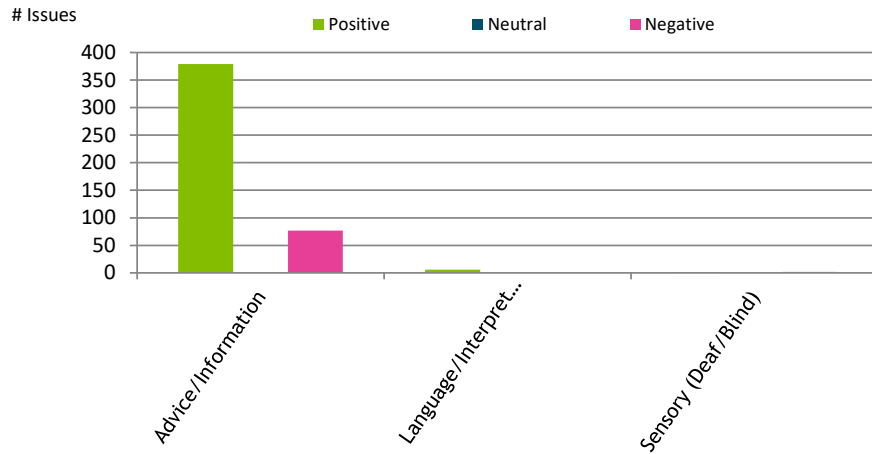


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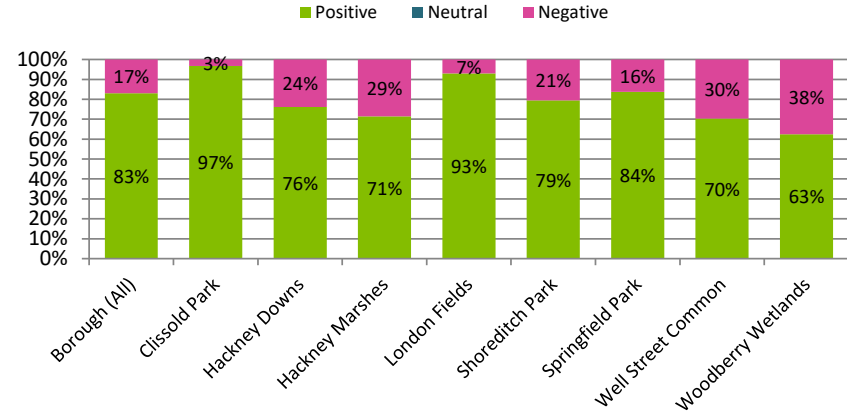


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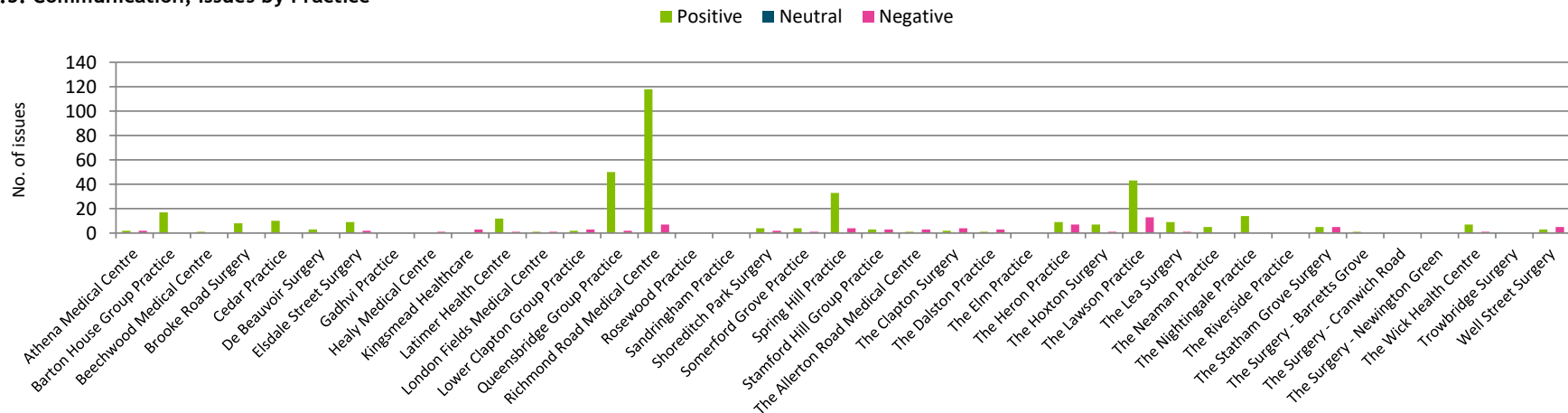
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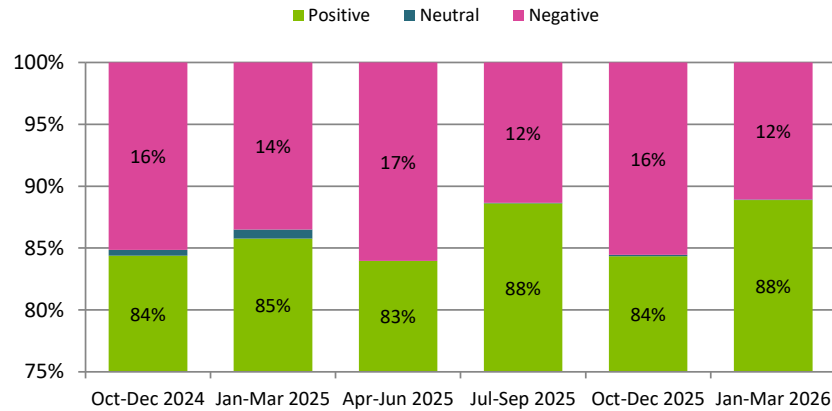


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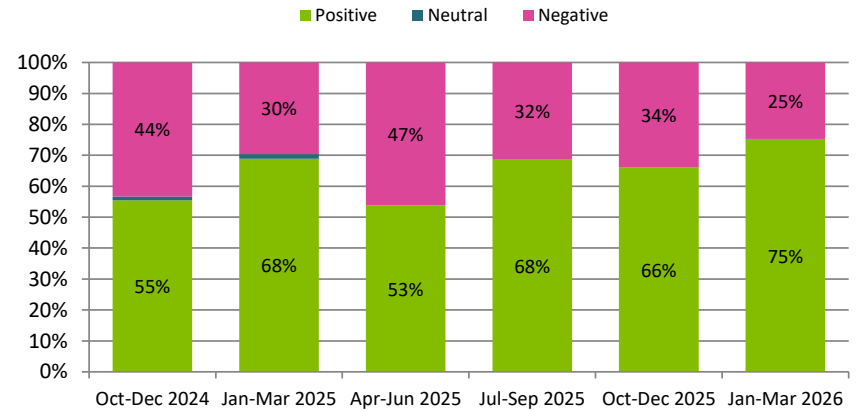
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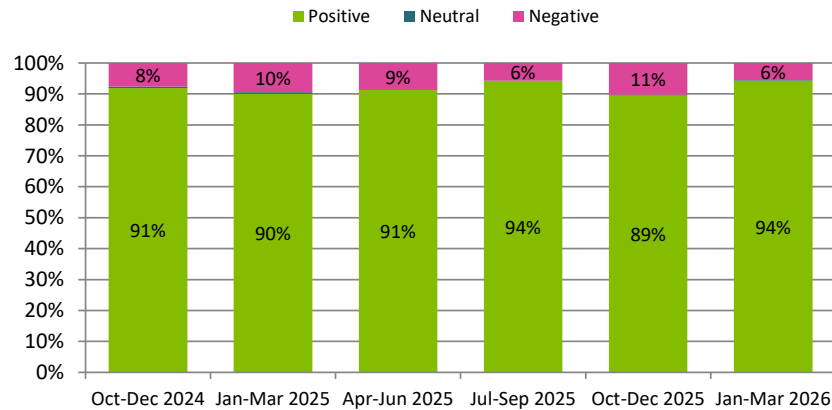
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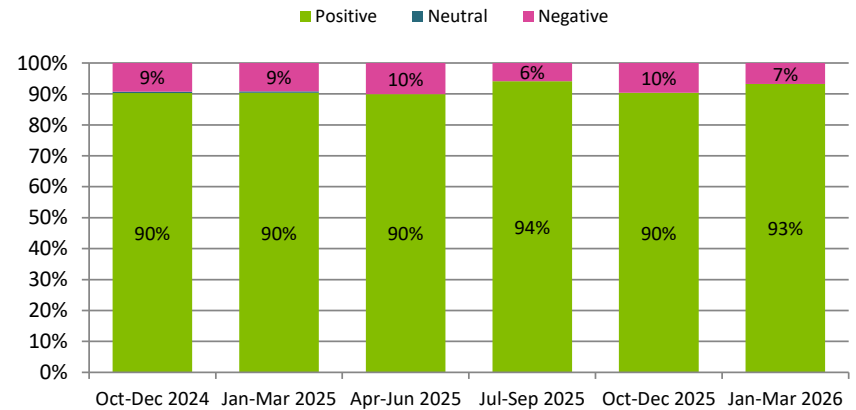
3.2 Service Access, Sentiment



3.3 Treatment and Care, Sentiment



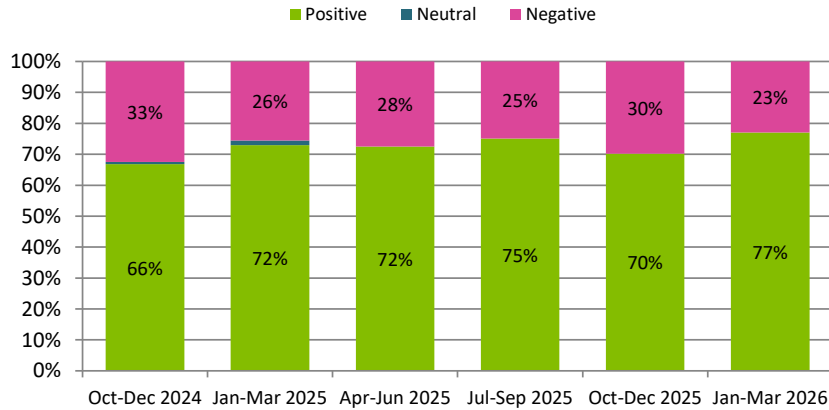
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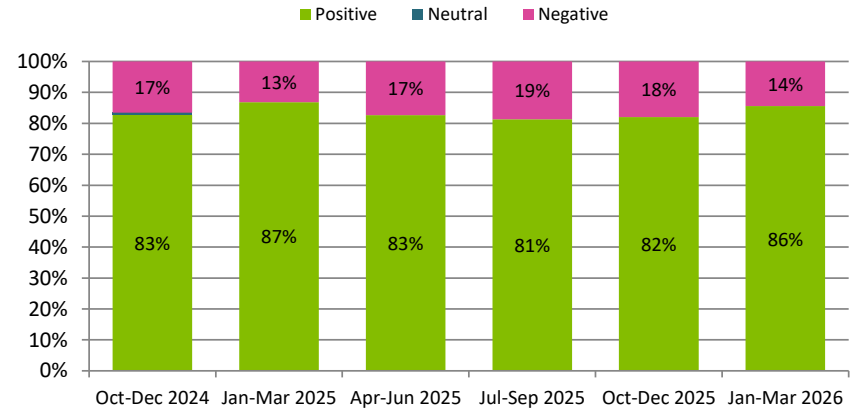
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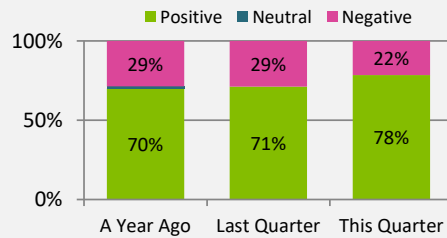
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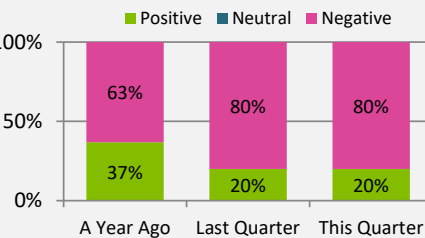
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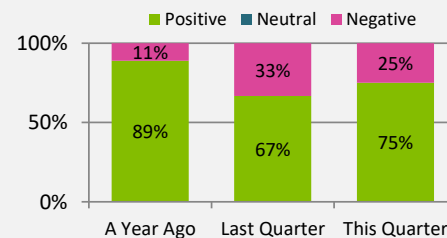
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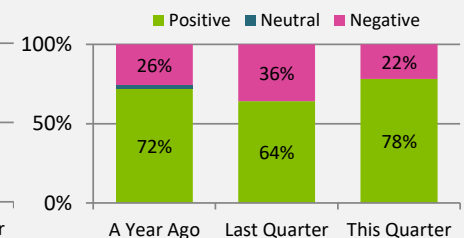
3.8 Telephone, Snapshot



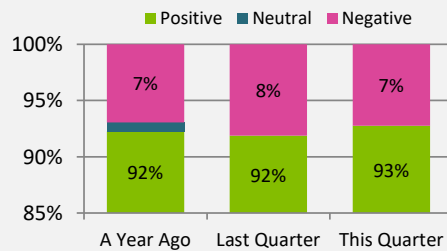
3.9 Online Access, Snapshot



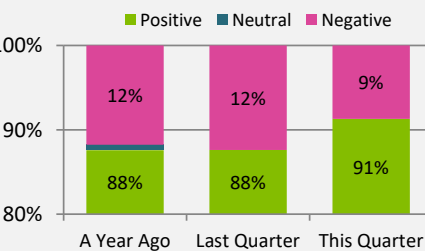
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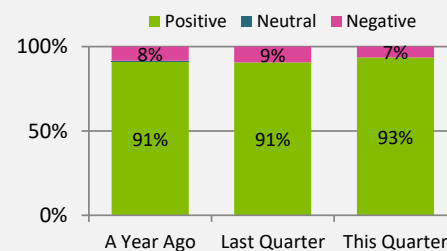
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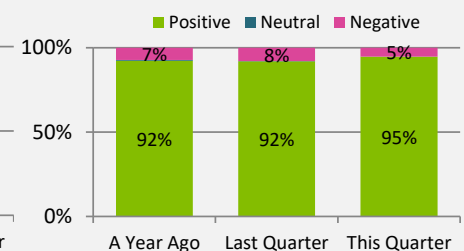
3.12 Support, Snapshot



3.13 Staff Attitude, Snapshot



3.14 Quality, Snapshot

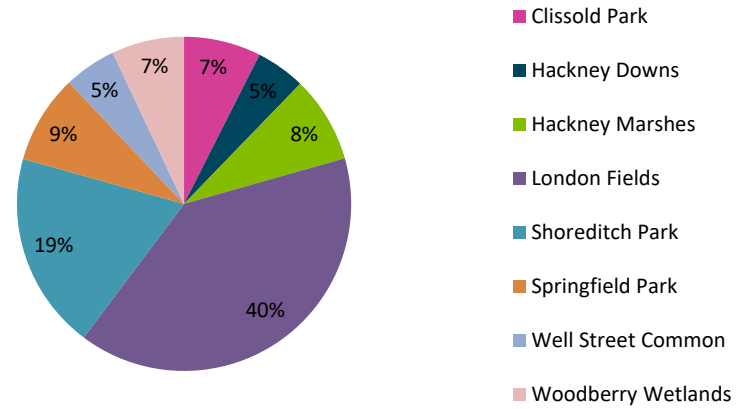
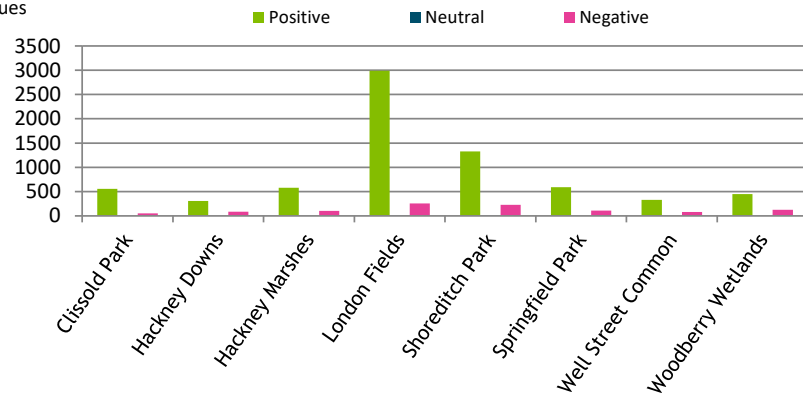


4. Volume by Primary Care Network



4.1 PCN

Issues



5. Data Table: Number of issues



	Issue Name	Descriptor	# Issues			
			Positive	Neutral	Negative	Total
Patients/Carers	Advice/Information	<i>Communication, including access to advice and information.</i>	379	0	77	456
	Carer Involvement	<i>Involvement of carers, friends or family members.</i>	11	0	3	14
	General Comment	<i>A generalised statement (ie; "The doctor was good.")</i>	210	2	12	224
	User Involvement	<i>Involvement of the service user.</i>	604	0	47	651
Systems	Administration	<i>Administrative processes and delivery.</i>	38	0	74	112
	Booking	<i>Ability to book, reschedule or cancel appointments.</i>	234	0	103	337
	Cancellations	<i>Cancellation of appointment by the service provider.</i>	0	0	9	9
	Data Protection	<i>General data protection (including GDPR).</i>	0	0	4	4
	Referral	<i>Referral to a service.</i>	44	1	15	60
	Medical Records	<i>Management of medical records.</i>	3	0	3	6
	Medication	<i>Prescription and management of medicines.</i>	26	0	23	49
	Opening Times	<i>Opening times of a service.</i>	7	0	1	8
	Planning	<i>Leadership and general organisation.</i>	44	0	21	65
	Registration	<i>Ability to register for a service.</i>	10	0	7	17
	Support	<i>Levels of support provided.</i>	1392	0	156	1548
	Telephone	<i>Ability to contact a service by telephone.</i>	12	0	28	40
	Timing	<i>Physical timing (ie; length of wait at appointments).</i>	199	0	49	248
	Waiting List	<i>Length of wait while on a list.</i>	230	0	114	344
Values	Choice	<i>General choice.</i>	14	0	11	25
	Cost	<i>General cost.</i>	0	0	2	2
	Language	<i>Language, including terminology.</i>	6	0	0	6
	Nutrition	<i>Provision of sustenance.</i>	0	0	0	0
	Privacy	<i>Privacy, personal space and property.</i>	2	0	5	7
	Quality	<i>General quality of a service, or staff.</i>	1525	1	94	1620
	Sensory	<i>Deaf/blind or other sensory issues.</i>	1	0	2	3
	Stimulation	<i>General stimulation, including access to activities.</i>	11	0	0	11

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Environment	Catchment/Distance	<i>Distance to a service (and catchment area for eligibility).</i>	8	0	2	10
	Environment/Layout	<i>Physical environment of a service.</i>	32	0	6	38
	Equipment	<i>General equipment issues.</i>	2	0	2	4
	Hazard	<i>General hazard to safety (ie; a hospital wide infection).</i>	0	0	0	0
	Hygiene	<i>Levels of hygiene and general cleanliness.</i>	32	0	2	34
	Mobility	<i>Physical mobility to, from and within services.</i>	1	0	3	4
	Travel/Parking	<i>Ability to travel or park.</i>	0	0	0	0
Staff	Omission	<i>General omission (ie; transport did not arrive).</i>	0	0	23	23
	Security/Conduct	<i>General security of a service, including conduct of staff.</i>	0	0	4	4
	Staff Attitude	<i>Attitude, compassion and empathy of staff.</i>	2066	0	168	2234
	Complaints	<i>Ability to log and resolve a complaint.</i>	0	0	9	9
	Staff Training	<i>Training of staff.</i>	15	0	24	39
	Staffing Levels	<i>General availability of staff.</i>	2	0	0	2
Total:			7160	4	1103	8267

Neighbourhoods Map (2020)

