

**COMPLAINT AGAINST THE REPORT ‘UNDERSTANDING THE HEALTH NEEDS
OF WALTHAM FOREST’S NEIGHBOURHOOD MANAGEMENT AREAS’,
PRODUCED BY DR FOSTER INTELLIGENCE FOR WALTHAM FOREST PCT
AND WALTHAM FOREST COUNCIL**

The Dr Foster Ethics Committee considered a complaint from Professor Nick Tiratsoo concerning the above named report.

It noted:

- a failure to source or check original data;
- a failure to explain the methodology used;
- editorial errors.

On this basis it judged that Dr Foster Intelligence (DFI) was in breach of its Code of Conduct in relation to the relevant clauses, viz:

- (i) Dr Foster will take care not to publish inaccurate, misleading or distorted material including pictures.
- (ii) DFI will not publish or produce material that is unfair or statistically unsound.
- (iii) DFI will take steps to ensure that the statistics are properly sourced and methodologies openly and fully described.

DFI has been requested to correct the deficiencies and make the amended report available to the relevant parties.