

**Director of Public Health**

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**SUBJECT: IMPROVING OUTCOMES FOR RESIDENTS AFFECTED BY  
SUBSTANCE MISUSE**

**1 Synopsis**

- 1.1 This paper and the accompanying presentation sets out the progress made in developing Public Health’s new drug and alcohol recovery service.
- 1.2 The contract for a new integrated drug and alcohol recovery service was awarded to Camden and Islington NHS Foundation Trust in partnership with Blenheim CDP and Westminster Drug Project.
- 1.3 The new service has been operational from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2018.

**2 Recommendations**

- 2.1 To note the progress being made in developing a new service for residents of Islington.

### **3 Background**

- 3.1 Islington experiences some of the greatest levels of substance misuse (alcohol and drugs) related harm in London. Substance misuse has significant detrimental impacts on health services, crime and community safety and is an important contributor to adult and children's social care needs, as well as wider economic and employment impacts.
- 3.2 The new service model for drug and alcohol recovery services, implemented following a major 18 month re-design and transformation programme, aligns well with Islington's refreshed corporate plan and specifically the development of integrated, place-based working in localities focused on tackling the deeper social challenges which prevent residents from fulfilling their potential, improving outcomes for themselves and their families. The provision of evidence-based, recovery focused substance misuse services as specified in the new contract will firmly support delivery of this commitment.
- 3.3 Islington's priorities for the drug and alcohol treatment system are to continue to improve recovery outcomes for both service users and their families; increase uptake of the most appropriate treatment for those who need it and ensure the treatment pathway meets the changing needs of the population of drug and alcohol users.
- 3.4 A range of key performance indicators are included in the contract to drive a focus on increasing the positive impact of the service on the lives of individuals and their families. It is expected, and set out in the service specification, that there will be an increase in the numbers of people attending the service, as well as improving sustained outcomes. Service measures of success will also include incorporation of the Making It Real "I" statements to provide the service user and family view of the effectiveness of the service. A summary of these performance data are set out in the accompanying presentation, and indicate a very positive start for the new service

### **4 Implications**

#### **4.1 Legal implications**

None.

#### **4.2 Environmental implications**

None.

#### **4.3 Resident Impact Assessment**

A resident impact assessment was completed as part of the procurement process.

### **5 Conclusion and reason for recommendations**

- 5.1 Whilst at early stages of delivering the new service there are already positive impacts emerging.
- 5.2 Work continues with Camden and Islington NHS Foundation Trust to develop the new service with people using the service.

## Appendices

**Background papers:** Presentation: 2018 – Improving outcomes for residents affected by substance misuse

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