

Place of Safety Joint Overview & Scrutiny Committee

Tuesday 26 April 2016

8.30 pm

Coin Street neighbourhood centre, 108 Stamford Street, SE1 9NH

Tabled documents

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7.	SLaM's Place of Safety proposal A report on from South London and Maudsley NHS Foundation Trust (SLaM) on their central Place of Safety proposal, and a 'Trigger Template' is have been provided by SLaM. A letter from Southwark Council Cabinet lead for Adult Social Care and Financial Inclusion, Councillor Stephanie Cryan, to Dr Michael Patrick , SLaM Chief Executive has been provided , along with his response. The views of the local borough based NHS Clinical Commissioning Groups & social care commissioners have been invited. Southwark & Lambeth have provided a report and letter, which are enclosed. Southwark CCG tabled an email and the Croydon Councillor Carole Bonner referred to a letter provided by the Executive Director of the People Department.	1 - 3
8.	Stakeholders views on the central Place of Safety proposal Lewisham Healthwatch tabled the attached letter.	4

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Date: 25 January 2016

Jay Stickland
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22nd January 2016

Dear Jay

RE: South London & Maudsley NHS Foundation Trust (SLaM) intention to establish a single Section 136 Place of Safety for Four Boroughs

Thank you for your letter dated 20th January 2016 regarding the above matter. I too have some concerns regarding the centralised Place of Safety, primarily regarding the impact on Croydon residents who may travel further and consequently wait longer for an assessment under the Mental Health Act.

However, for some time I have had concerns about the local single Place of Safety on the site of the Bethlem Royal Hospital, for a number of reasons, including:

- Lack of a dedicated staff establishment for Place of Safety purposes
- Impact on the wards that currently provide the staff on an ad hoc basis
- Frequency of Place of Safety non-availability due to insufficient staff availability
- Frequency of Place of Safety non-availability due to the Place of Safety being already occupied
- Frequency of Place of Safety non-availability due to the room being damaged
- The impact that the above factors have on our commitments under the Crisis Care Concordat

While I remain to be convinced about the proposed model, I do feel that a purpose-built unit with dedicated staff and an increased capacity from four to six will result in net improvements to the current level of service experienced by our residents. With regard to your specific request, I can assure you that Croydon will offer full cooperation and support to your Borough in respect of the demands that the proposal may generate.


My understanding of Section 117 is that it is determined by the patient's ordinary residence immediately before being detained under the Act and on neither the location of the assessment nor on which Borough the AMHP comes from. Nevertheless I can assure you that Croydon Council would not seek to ascribe Section 117 liabilities to the London Borough of Southwark as a consequence of any action taken in relation to the Place of Safety.

I very much support the four Boroughs working together with SLAM to scope out the full implications of the proposal and confirm in principle my support to working together to undertake our respective roles and responsibilities with regard to our Boroughs' residents.

I have asked Brenda Scanlan, along with my Head of Mental Health Social Care Paul Richards, to cooperate fully with their counterparts in the other three Boroughs and with Cath Gormally to fully bottom out any consequences, intended or otherwise, of what the Trust puts forward. Paul and Brenda will aim to have some early discussions with Cath about this at the next of their regular three way meetings.

With good wishes.

Yours sincerely



Paul Greenhalgh
Executive Director, People

cc Cath Gormally, SLAM Director of Social Care;
Brenda Scanlan, Croydon Director of Integrated Commissioning & Adult Care
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Paul Richards, Croydon Head of Social Care (Mental Health)

From: Gilmartin Caroline (NHS SOUTHWARK CCG) [mailto:c.gilmartin@nhs.net]
Sent: Monday, April 25, 2016 6:26 PM
To: Timbrell, Julie
Subject: Sent on behalf of Southwark CCG
Importance: High

Dear Julie

RE: Place of Safety JOSOC

Southwark CCG support the proposal to establish a single place of safety on the Maudsley Hospital site.

Current waiting times to access s136 assessments are too long, leading to delays in accessing appropriate treatment and the overall service environments was raised as an issue in the recent (2015) CQC inspection and report.

Establishing a single Place of Safety enables SLAM to secure dedicated capacity and/or share staff across boroughs and improve the quality of provision for service to the four boroughs.

Southwark CCG have received assurance from South London & the Maudsley (SLaM) that this will be cost neutral, though we will want to test this further.

Southwark CCG fully understand Southwark Councils concerns about the potential impact, as set out in their response to the committee, and we would want assurance that these issues will be addressed satisfactory with partners as part of the process for managing change and defining the final shape of the service.

The CCG are very keen to continue to work with SLAM, LB Southwark and other partners to address any outstanding actions and issues and have welcomed the approach that SLAM has been taking to ensure system ownership of this issue and the solutions.

I will be at the JOSOC tomorrow.

Many thanks

Caroline

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25th April 2016

Dear Place of Safety Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee members

Re: Centralised Place of Safety Proposal

Healthwatch Lewisham were asked on behalf of SLAM by our colleagues in Healthwatch Southwark to comment on a survey which SLAM put together for their engagement on the Place of Safety Proposal. We commented on the survey and submitted a joint response along with the other local Healthwatch whose communities will be affected by the change. Healthwatch Lewisham did not receive a final version of the survey from SLAM that we could circulate to our network or make Lewisham citizens aware of.

We received a copy of SLAM's Service User and Carer Engagement Report as part of the public papers for this JOHSC meeting and have circulated this and the rest of the meeting pack.

Yours sincerely



Director

