

<b>Meeting:</b>	Public Protection & Enforcement Policy Development and Scrutiny Committee
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## Executive summary

The purpose of this report is to update the Public Protection & Enforcement Policy Development and Scrutiny Committee, Bromley Council with a report from Croydon and Behavioural and Developmental Psychology Operations Directorate, South London and Maudsley NHS Foundation Trust.

### 1. Update

- Throughout the Covid-19 pandemic Croydon and Behavioural and Developmental Psychology Operations Directorate have worked closely with our partners including service users, carers and their families as well as our strategic partners to bring together services to ensure our response to the pandemic has been as robust as possible.
- Working collaboratively with our local partners has enabled us focus on prevention, access, early intervention and recovery to improve our reach and impact on people's lives, including through our work with One Croydon and our Recovery College, Maudsley Learning and our colleagues at King's Health Partners.
- The Trust is working closely with our partners to make sure we can support the most vulnerable people in our communities with social care, housing, health employment, education and staying well.
- We are improving Croydon community mental health provision to ensure there is sufficient resource and capacity throughout the system to deliver a seamless, evidence-based and person-centred service to the local population. We are also looking to support our service users' transition back to primary care and improve support for community patients following discharge. We are expanding our Certitude service on Monks Orchard Road to provide more step-down flats for tenants.
- For more information about the organisation please see [South London and Maudsley NHS Foundation Trust's Annual Report and Accounts 2019/2020](#)

## **2. Bethlem Royal Hospital - site update**

- Since the outbreak of the Covid-19 pandemic in March 2020 Bethlem Royal Hospital has been closed to the public.
- This is to enforce and support our infection, prevention and control (IPC) measures and to protect people who use our services by reducing footfall.
- Throughout the Covid-19 pandemic we have continued to deliver business continuity in community and inpatient services.
- We are also providing the Covid-19 vaccine onsite to staff members and have been running regular clinics since February 2021.

## **3. Bromley Protocol**

- We are committed to working with our partners at Bromley Council to support the Bromley Protocol.
- Following a meeting with Joanne Stowell, Assistant Director of Public Protection we have reviewed the Bromley Protocol to ensure the details reflected within the protocol are up to date.
- On 18 September 2020 the Trust corresponded with Joanne Stowell following an oversight following a breach of the Bromley Protocol where a patient absconded from Chaffinch Ward, a medium secure ward on 16 September 2020. Regrettably the protocol was not followed, which was an oversight. By way of explanation, our primary concern was that of patient safety and communication with key stakeholders to enact this. Please accept our apologies.
- On 28 September 2020 the Trust corresponded again with Joanne Stowell who informed us of an incident where a patient absconded. However, this incident did not require the Bromley Protocol to be enacted.

## **4. Summary**

Croydon and Behavioural and Developmental Psychology Operations Directorate, South London and Maudsley NHS Foundation Trust is committed to working together with Bromley Council, and will ensure the Bromley Protocol is enacted where appropriate with immediate effect.

The Trust will seek to brief stakeholders at the earliest opportunity about any other incidents which may be likely to generate public concern or media interest, which may include any other unauthorised absences from the site and incidents off the site where the police have been called.