

URGENT DECISION FORM

TO BE UPLOADED ON TO THE INTERNET BY DEMOCRATIC SERVICES

Date: 28 th April 2023	Ref No:		
Type of Decision:			
Cabinet Decision	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Council Decision	
Key	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Non-Key	
Subject matter:			
<p>Commissioning of 8 Complex Dementia Discharge to Assess (D2A) Beds to provide support to customers with complex care and challenging behaviour. This would in turn free up capacity in the hospital and the Intermediate Tier to support more customers and help to improve the flow from hospital and within the system.</p>			
<p>Background - To create additional flow in the system it is proposed to work in partnership with Bolton Council to commission 8 Complex Dementia Discharge to Assess beds to provide support to customers with complex care and challenging behaviour. This is in addition to the existing Discharge to Assess beds that are currently in operations at the Heathlands site. Commissioning the Complex Dementia Discharge to Assess beds would help to free up capacity in the hospital and the Intermediate Tier to support more customers and help to improve the flow from hospital.</p> <p>The Complex Dementia beds will support the new Discharge Front Runner Programme which looks at more innovative ways to increase the flow throughout the system and improve how people can be supported to leave hospital in a timelier manner and reduce the length of stay.</p> <p>Proposal - The proposal is to commission 8 Complex Discharge to Assess beds with the Federation of Jewish Services and to work in partnership with Bolton Council to commission a 15 bedded unit for complex dementia support, 7 beds for Bolton and 8 for Bury. Bolton have secured the funding and went operational at the end of February 2023.</p> <p>The proposed implementation would be in two stages with Bury being operational in May 2023, offering a step up/step down model with more specialist, time limited care to assess and stabilise the customer before moving on to long term care.</p> <p>The new Complex Dementia Discharge to Assess unit would be based at Heathlands and would in partnership with the existing discharge to Assess service and Bolton Council, to maximise resources wherever possible to reduce costs.</p> <p>Finance/Budget - The cost of the service is £1780 per bed/per week, therefore based on 8 beds for Bury would be £742,514 for a full 12 months.</p> <p>It is proposed that the contract starts from 1st May 2023 to help relieve some of the system flow pressures as a result of removing a number of beds from the system. The contract should run for 12 months with an option to extend for a further 12 months plus</p>			

12 months if required.		
The service will be funded through the Adult Social Care Discharge Grant		
Reason for Urgency:		
To support system flow and in support of the Discharge Front Runner it is essential that these beds are commissioned and start immediately. This will help to relieve some of the pressures that the system is currently facing and will reduce the length of time customers are waiting to be discharged from hospital.		
Freedom of Information Status		
Equality Impact Assessment	No	
[Does this decision change policy, procedure or working practice or negatively impact on a group of people? If yes – complete EIA and summarise issues identified and recommendations – forward EIA to Corporate HR]		
Decision taken by:	Signature:	Date:
Chief/Senior Officer/Cabinet Chair	Cllr O'Brien	04/05/223
After consultation with:		
Cabinet Member (if a Key Decision) or Chair or Lead Member (as appropriate)	Cllr Tariq	03/05/2023
If it is a Key Decision, the Chair of Scrutiny Committee to agree that the decision cannot be deferred	Cllr Fitzgerald	03/05/2023
Opposition Leader or nominated spokesperson (Council Decision) or Leader or Majority Group Member on Overview and Scrutiny Committee (if a Key Decision) to agree that the decision cannot be deferred	Cllr Bernstein	28/04/2023
Leader of second largest Opposition Group (if a Key/Council Decision) to agree that the decision cannot be deferred	Cllr M Smith	02/05/2023

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