

Freedom of Information Request

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Information Requested:

1. I would like to know who and when made the decision to move patients from the C&E centre to the gables and also the minutes from that meeting.

The decision to realign patients to their locality areas was taken as part of the Mid Essex Mental Health Transformation program and was undertaken in four phases. Phase 3 below is applicable for this request on who made the decision and when the decision was taken to move patients from the C&E Centre.

Phase 3 - Disaggregation of wider Journey's model (Adult Community Mental Health Services). This stage was delivered through a project group which was established on 3 August 2020 with the attached terms of reference (Appendix 1). The lead for this project was the Associate Director of Community Mental Health Services Mid and South Essex. The project group delivered the service pathway redesign (development of new models and clinical and operational agreement for safe implementation of the new models).

Changes for patients were communicated with individual patients as part of their contact with their allocated Care Coordinator or lead clinician.

Changes for staff followed a HR engagement process involving both group and individual meetings, with a letter sent on the 18 May 2021 notifying of the proposed change. The letter provided detail of new models with the disaggregation of the psychosis and non-psychosis pathways to form an integrated locality teams aligned with our Primary Care Networks. The model would ensure that mental health needs for the patients we care for were adequately met and that there was improved access to services to support recovery.

	Timeline	Progress
Phase 3 Disaggregation of Journeys	Mid July 2020 – September 2020	Full project process initiated plans, governance risk and issues.
	October 2020 – December 2020	Caseload data obtained to establish new state mapping, comparing current staffing, and proposed and staffing within current establishment.
	December 2020 – January 2021	Mobilise agreed change
	January 2021 – to March 2021	All staff aligned to locality
	March 2021 – December 2022	Patient realigned to locality team.

There were slippages in the timeline due to the pandemic pause.

We do not take minutes for project groups – the progress and actions are recorded within the Mid Essex Community Transformation Mobilisation Plan (Phase 3) Disaggregation of Patient Journeys. (*Appendix 2 - Extract from Mid Essex Community Transformation Mobilisation Plan (Phase 3) Disaggregation of Patient Journeys*).

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