

Karen Addison's notes from meeting at Winton House:

No one will be admitted with addiction or drug abuse solely, but these issues may have contributed to their mental health. So they may have addiction problems but will not be there to 'dry out'.

Wording has been changed from initial website (clever change of wording?)

- They do not see themselves as a hospital and anyone who needed to be weaned off substance or alcohol abuse would not be their demographic

- They are looking to take private patients but will accept NHS in due course if room permits.

- They do not feel that they are set up for acute patients at this time but this may change.

- Patients will have no access to the outside world, phones will be confiscated, and bags searched which should stop them being a target for drug pushing but acknowledged that such facilities did attract dealers who yes could gain access to the grounds easily.

- Patients are assessed to see if their treatment plan would work they are all self admitted not sectioned.

- Patients are all under 18 so their parents could admit them

- Doors and windows would be locked with swipe cards held by "Coaches" the only access. Not sure what happens in the summer and if it is even legal (fire risk) to lock people in.

- All would be supervised at all times apart from when they are in their rooms. If in the grounds the staff ratio would increase. Not sure if this would be practical, I know it is offered at The Priory but rarely happens.

- At night there is a Coach in each corridor and an alarm is raised should a bedroom door be opened. What happens if the coach is dealing with some else I don't know.

- I was told no fences were to be erected and yes if they were outside and really wanted to run away they could. However this was reversed when speaking to someone else who said that yes they would put up fences

- Courses are 10 weeks

- No visitors allowed during the course.

- Follow up support is not in person

- They have applied for their Quality Care Commission certificate but this is still in progress and cannot be furthered until all building work complete.

- Pete Cresswell appointed as Clinical Director

- Her 2 sons also working for her, clinical staff, cleaners etc not as yet employed or advertised for.

- Hope to start taking patients in May/June 2023

- Felt level of staff much the same as the Nursing Home so no Road traffic assessment has been done

🎬 They are looking for parents to use the back entrance in Five Bells Lane to drop off the children – apparently the ‘previous’ people used this entrance all the time. Expressed concern re traffic down Five Bells Lane and round Green but they felt this was not an issue.

🎬 One of them was also worried about traffic coming in and out and said they were thinking of having a one way system, another said felt nothing to be concerned about.

🎬 One said gates would be installed and locked, another said there was no need for gates.

🎬 Staff need to be sourced maybe they would do a shuttle bus to Andover station, maybe they would recruit locally

🎬 Offices and initial assessment will be in the coach house

🎬 No sight of risk assessment stating minimum number of staff per person i.e. should they have 10 patients but only 2 members of staff would it still run and how would this affect security 🎬 Happy for anyone to make appointment to go up and meet her

🎬 Not intending to do any new building work apart from updating existing