

Journey to better mental health



Building our state-of-the-art hospital for mental health

In September, staff and service user representatives came together to officially break the ground at our new hospital site at Highgate East.

After two-years of co-design work with service users and staff, building work has begun for the Trust's new 78-bed mental health hospital.

It will include all single en-suite rooms, outdoor space on each ward, dedicated therapy spaces and a gym and café that will be open to our wider community.

[Watch our short movie to find out about the journey so far and hear from some of our staff and service users.](#)


It includes an animated walk-through of the new hospital.




Artist impression of our new hospital site at Highgate East

Stakeholders joined C&I chief executive Angela McNab to officially break the ground





A purpose
built hospital
for mental
health care



A place where
everyone is
welcome and
everyone is
respected





A therapeutic environment to recover



A place for our wider community

New partners to transform Islington community services

Three voluntary and community sector organisations have been selected as preferred partners to transform community mental health care in Islington.

Subject to successful contract negotiations, the three organisations – Age UK, Healthwatch Islington and Islington People’s Rights – will employ four people to deliver outreach and support services in new neighbourhood mental teams.

Working alongside NHS and social care colleagues at the new team base on Holloway Road, they'll help people access benefits and connect with local support groups and other services.

Partnering with the voluntary sector is key to transforming community mental health care. It means teams can offer much more support to help people recover quickly and stay well. It also enables teams to offer one-stop holistic care and support by addressing people's mental health, physical health and social needs together.

In Camden, our partners to transform community mental health care are Mind In Camden, Likewise and Hillside Clubhouse who provide a range of support services. A recent report found those services helped hundreds to avoid being hospitalised during the peak of the Covid-19 pandemic.



Community service moves that have now taken place

The following community service moves have now taken place to facilitate our estate redevelopment work. These are as follows:

North Islington Recovery and Rehabilitation Team

Moved from Lowther Road to Regis Road

Islington Assertive Outreach Team

Moved from Lowther Road to Southwood Smith Street

Islington Core Team

Now based at Holloway Road

Camden Core Team

Now based at Regis Road



Artist impression of the redeveloped site at Lowther Road

Upcoming events

Our Annual Members' Meeting

Thursday 7 October, 4.30pm on Microsoft Teams

Please join us for C&I's Annual Members' Meeting for 2021, where you can hear an update on our services and achievements during an unprecedented year for the NHS.

We will be giving details of our year, including an update on our finances. We will also be outlining plans for the future. There will be an opportunity to ask questions.

Full details, including the link to [join](#) are available [here](#).

Community mental health e-Summit

Wednesday 10 November, 2.30 to 4pm Online

Join this online event to learn, and help shape, how community mental health care is changing to make sure everyone can access more timely, personalised and holistic care and support. You'll also hear about new neighbourhood services rolling out in Camden and Islington over the next three years.

There will be interactive workshops to identify community priorities and information on how to get involved in designing future services in your neighbourhood.

Joining instructions will be available on our website closer to the time: www.candi.nhs.uk



Get involved

Detailed information about our programmes and opportunities to get involved are available on our website at www.candi.nhs.uk

If you have specific questions, please send them to communications@candi.nhs.uk

If you would like to discuss any part of the plans, we are happy to attend one of your regular meetings. Please send an email to address above to arrange a date.