

Response to Request for Information

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Learning Disability and Mental Health

Request:

I note that Midland Heart are pulling out of learning disability and mental health. What are the councils plans for the following:

Lord Street, Chapel Ash, Wolverhampton, WV3 0QU

Faygate House

Hincks Street, 1-9 Hincks Street , Ettingshall,Wolverhampton,WV2 2JZ

Lord Street, 27 Lord Street, Chapel Ash, Wolverhampton, WV3 0QU

Victoria Court, Memory Lane, Wednesfield, Wolverhampton, WV11 1SD

Wolverhampton MH Services, 39/41 Bushbury Lane,Bushbury,Wolverhampton, WV10 9TN

In response to your request, we can confirm Midland Heart are only pulling out of their care services, they are continuing with their supported housing contracts and landlord responsibility. That includes Bushbusy Lane, and Hincks Street (Hincks Street is now general needs accommodation). Bushbury Lane has continued without change.

We do not have a contract with them for services at Faygate House. And although we do not have a contract with Midland Heart for Victoria Court, this contract was held by Wolverhampton CCG which has undergone a time limited procurement process to bring in a temporary interim provider while they complete a comprehensive retender in the new financial year (17/18). The Council will continue to spot purchase beds at Victoria Court when required.

A mini competition was carried out to procure a new provider for Lord Street. This has been completed and the new provider will take over in unison with Midland Heart's withdrawal from the contract. Midland Heart has also withdrawn from their contract with the Council of Pear Tree Lane, this also went out to tender earlier this year and the new contract has also been awarded and the Council is working with Midland Heart and the new provider as part of the handover phase.

[NOT PROTECTIVELY MARKED]

None of the Council's services provided by Midland Heart have been put at risk due to their withdrawal and Midland Heart have worked closely with Council to ensure a full and proper handover of services has or will take place to maintain continuity of services for the people of Wolverhampton who benefit from these service provisions.