



# **Adult Social Services Housing & Health**

## **EXTENDING THE USE OF SUTTON INCLUSION CENTRE**

**PUBLIC CONSULTATION**

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## **This is a public consultation document about:**

- extending the use of Sutton Inclusion Centre for all people with disabilities and complex needs in Sutton
- charges for the use of rooms and equipment at Sutton Inclusion Centre

## **If you want more information about this consultation you can:**

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

Sutton Inclusion Centre currently operates as a resource centre exclusively for people with learning disabilities & multiple needs. In agreement with Sutton Clinical Commissioning Group (Sutton CCG) the Council is proposing to extend the use of the Centre to all people with disabilities and complex needs in Sutton, the new vision for the centre is:

### ***A resource centre and community hub for adults and young people in Sutton who have disabilities or complex needs***

Sutton Council is consulting about a proposal to extend the use of the Sutton Inclusion Centre. This booklet sets out the Council's proposal.

## 2. THE BENEFITS OF EXTENDING THE USE OF SUTTON INCLUSION CENTRE

### **For current users of the Inclusion Centre:**

- the Centre will provide facilities for all people with disabilities and complex needs in Sutton and this will integrate services for people with learning disabilities alongside services for people who do not have learning disabilities;
- a more inclusive facility for people with learning disabilities and multiple disabilities will enable greater integration, which would strengthen the links people with learning disabilities have with the rest of the community.

### **For all people in Sutton who have disabilities or complex needs:**

- more people with disabilities will be able to access the facilities available at the Centre;
- external organisations will be able to use the rooms and facilities Centre to provide services for disabled people;
- people with disabilities will be able to pick and choose and book from a menu of facilities available at the Centre;
- the use of specialist facilities will be available for people with disabilities who are self funders as well as people who are eligible for social care services who may choose to use their personal budgets to make choices about the facilities and services they want to use.

## 3. WHERE IS SUTTON INCLUSION CENTRE

The Sutton Inclusion Centre is at:

Sutton Inclusion Centre  
Northspur Road  
Sutton  
Surrey  
SM1 2BF

A map showing the location of Inclusion Centre is attached as appendix A.

#### 4. WHAT IS AVAILABLE AT THE SUTTON INCLUSION CENTRE

The Centre has a range of specialist equipment and facilities to meet the needs of people with physical disabilities. These include:

##### **Sensory Rooms:**

The Centre has three Multi Sensory Rooms, which are designed to develop people's senses through the use of specialist lighting, music and objects. These rooms can be used to help develop key life skills including vocalisation, gross motor skills, colour recognition and tracking. They are also good fun.

- **The Light Room** uses light and sound, with white furniture and soft beige coloured walls creating a relaxed environment that is both calming and stimulating.
- **The Dark Room** incorporates the use of Ultra Violet light along with UV reactive equipment; this is very helpful for close up one to one work. The Dark Room is ideal for use by people with a visual impairment through sensory integration therapy.
- **The Interactive Room** offers many opportunities for people to interact choose and control their environment, and to begin to understand cause and effect, and practice communication skills.

##### **An Aqua Therapy Suite:**

The Centre has a purpose built heated hydrotherapy pool with three changing areas. Two of the changing areas and the pool area itself are fully equipped to meet the needs of people with complex physical impairments including tracking hoists and appropriate changing facilities. The third changing area is used by carers and professionals supporting people to use the pool.

The pool provides a suitable facility for the provision of Aquatic Therapy which is a physical therapy that uses the resistance of water instead of weights that aims to rehabilitate people after injury or those with chronic illness, avoiding the amount of weight placed on the joints by exercise outside the water.

##### **Physiotherapy Rooms:**

There are two Physiotherapy Rooms at the Centre which are equipped for use by qualified Physiotherapists and other trained professionals to provide physiotherapy to people with a broad range of physical impairments.

##### **Activity Rooms:**

The Centre has a number of activity rooms with equipment for a wide range of therapeutic and vocational use. The rooms vary in size and the equipment available includes musical instruments, painting and sculptural equipment and art materials, photographic, video and other equipment.

### **Interactive Technology Suite:**

The Interactive Technology Suite has a range of equipment for multiple purposes. The equipment is able to be tailored to individual needs with height adjustable tables and screens, it is currently used for:

- improving and maintaining fine motor skills;
- improving gross motor skills and exercise;
- learning to interact with the environment;
- learning and understanding cause and effect;
- practicing communication skills;
- improving concentration;
- increasing independence through learning to using personalised IT interfaces;
- fun – listening to music and playing games.

### **Kitchen and Welcome Rooms:**

There is a fully fitted kitchen which can be used on its own for cooking sessions, or can potentially be used alongside two large Welcome Rooms for larger events.

### **Relaxation Room:**

A small relaxation room is available which offers the use of some sensory equipment.

### **Hot desk spaces:**

Computer and other facilities are available for health and social care practitioners using the building to facilitate the office work they need to do to provide services and support individuals.

## **5. CHARGES FOR THE HIRE OF ROOMS AND EQUIPMENT**

To prevent the people currently using the Centre from being disadvantaged by these proposals they will not be charged for their current use of the Centre.

To facilitate the extended use of the Centre including use by self funders, people using personal budgets and external organisations that may provide additional services from the Centre, a charging schedule will need to be put in place in line with the Council's Fairer Charging policy.

The charges for individual rooms and equipment are attached as appendix B.

## **6. HOW WILL INDIVIDUALS AND ORGANISATIONS BOOK AND PAY FOR THE HIRE OF ROOMS AND EQUIPMENT**

The Council will be working in partnership with Sutton CCG and other partner organisations to increase the range of services available at the Centre to increase the range of opportunities for individuals to choose from using their personal budgets or own finances to meet social care needs, and other services to meet their healthcare needs (which remain free at the point of delivery).

Organisations and individuals will be able to hire rooms and equipment at the Centre by:

- contacting the Centre Manager (or member of the Adult Social Services Housing & Health Hubs Administration Team at the Centre);
- booking the facilities through the Council's Corporate Booking System.

Individuals accessing rooms and facilities using their personal budgets or own finances may wish to make joint bookings with other people that want to use the facilities at the Centre, e.g. the Sensory Rooms can be used by 2 – 3 people at any one time and the hire charge may be shared between people.

## **7. HOW WILL THE PROPOSAL AFFECT THE PEOPLE THAT CURRENTLY USE SUTTON INCLUSION CENTRE**

The people with learning disabilities and multiple needs who currently use the building will:

- continue to have priority use of the facilities available, their access to the Centre will not be affected;
- be protected from charges to ensure they are not disadvantaged by the proposal to extend the use of the building;
- benefit from a more inclusive environment and integrate more with people who do not have learning disabilities.

## **8. THE CONSULTATION PROCESS**

The consultation about proposed extended use of the Centre will start on 18 November 2013 and will end on 13 January 2014.

The Council will write to the people currently using the Centre who may be affected by this proposal (and their carers). The consultation documents will be provided and a questionnaire will be provided with a return envelope. We will arrange a consultation meeting at the Inclusion Centre to discuss the proposal.

The Council will write to other people and organisations that are known and may have an interest in hiring rooms and equipment at the Centre to seek their views on the proposal. The consultation documents will be provided and a questionnaire will be provided with a return envelope. We will arrange meetings to discuss the proposal if requested.

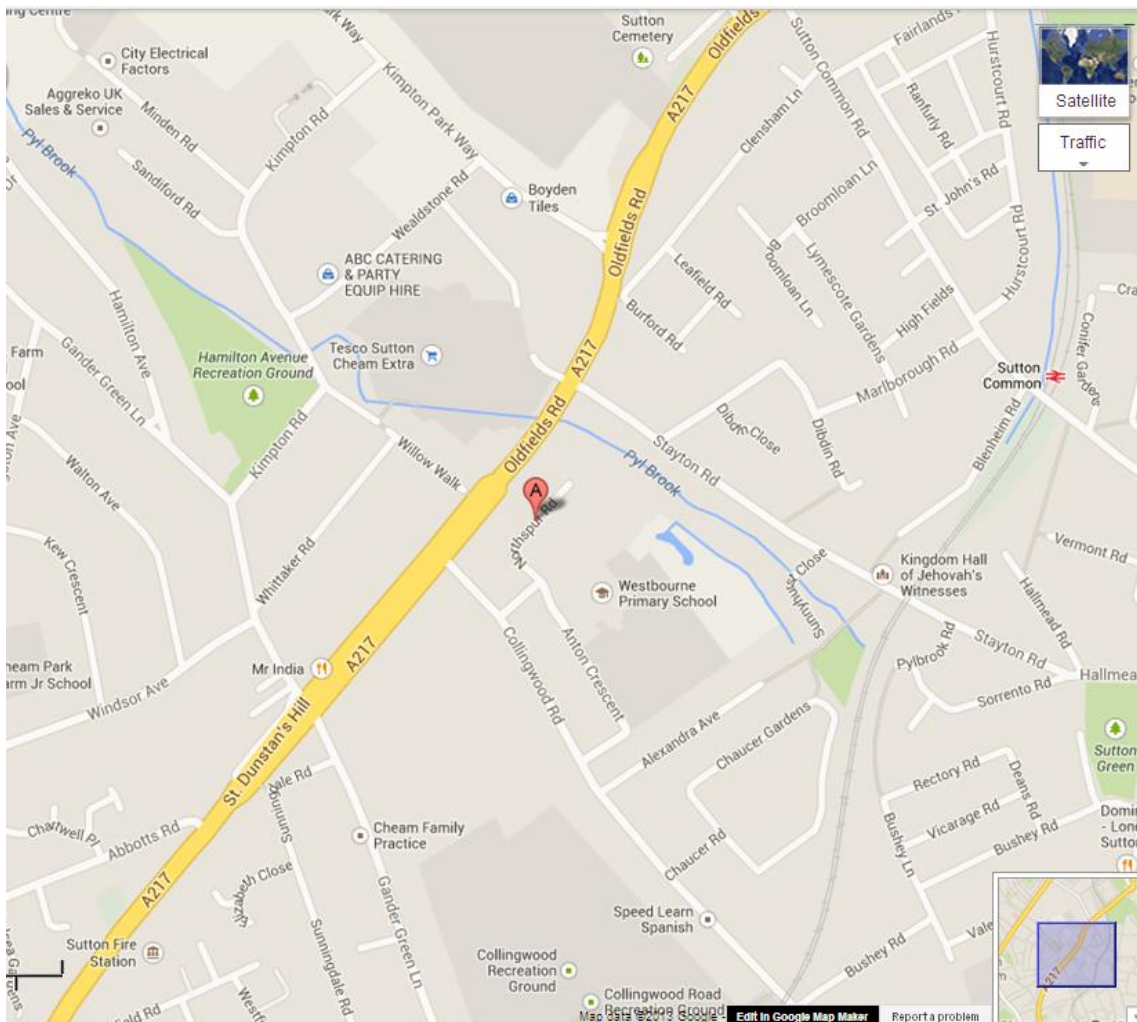
The consultation documents and a questionnaire will be made available on the London Borough of Sutton Website. An accessible version of this consultation document is available.

The consultation timetable is attached as appendix C.

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Consultation - Charges for the hire of rooms and equipment at the Sutton Inclusion Centre

## Map for the Inclusion Centre:



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## Consultation - Charges for the hire of rooms and equipment at the Sutton Inclusion Centre

### Schedule of proposed charges

Room	Facilities available	Cost
Sensory Rooms	Three sensory rooms are available with varied equipment (light room, dark room, interactive room)	£7.60 per hour
Welcome rooms	2 Large Rooms (43m <sup>2</sup> each) with tables chairs etc next to kitchen area.	£23.20 per hour
Kitchen area	The kitchen area is fully fitted has availability for cookery sessions.	£20.80 per hour
Art Rooms	Low cost consumables, including paints and brushes are included in the price of the room, high cost consumables for specific projects need to be either sourced by user or charged at cost.	£14.50 per room per hour
Physiotherapy Rooms	These two rooms are currently used exclusively by the specialist LD health team. Equipment is provided serviced and maintained by Physiotherapy Services.	£14.90 per room per hour
Activity Rooms	Activity rooms have limited furniture and houses a range of musical instruments.	£14.90 per hour
Interactive Technology Suite	Facilities include a range of equipment designed for use by people with profound learning disabilities	£16.00 per hour
Meeting Rooms	There are three small meeting rooms all charged at the same average price.	£7.00 per hour
Relaxation room	Contains some sensory equipment.	£7.90 per hour
Hot desk room	The hot desk room contains seven computer terminals. The costs are calculated on a room area basis but distributed between terminals.	£3.30 per station per hour



Access to the Aqua Therapy Suite is currently limited to people with learning disabilities who have an assessed clinical need for Aqua Therapy (access through the Physiotherapy services within the specialist Healthcare Services provided by Sutton Council).

The Council will work in partnership with Sutton CCG to identify priority user groups and appropriate clinical arrangements to support access to this facility before extending access.

<b>Room</b>	<b>Facilities available</b>	<b>Cost</b>
Aqua Therapy Suite (excluding pool side assistance)	Aqua Therapy Pool, 2 accessible user changing areas, staff changing area. The Pool can accommodate up to three people at any one time (with carers). Cost excludes the cost of pool side assistance (which must be provided by the user).	£48.90 per hour for whole suite  £16.30 per hour per person (based on 3 people sharing)  Carers free
Aqua Therapy Suite (including pool side assistance)	Aqua Therapy Pool, 2 accessible user changing areas, staff changing area. The Pool can accommodate up to three people at any one time (with carers).  Cost includes charge for poolside assistance.	£75 per hour for whole suite  £25 per hour per person (based on 3 people sharing)  Carers free

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## Consultation – Extending the use of Sutton Inclusion Centre

### Consultation timetable

Date	Consultation Event
18 November 2013	Launch of consultation. Provide information about the consultation to current users of the Centre and known potential users. Consultation documents available on Council Website.
28 November 2013 (10.00am)	Consultation event for people that already use the facilities at Sutton Inclusion Centre.
4 December 2013 (10.00am)	Consultation event for people accessing healthcare services at Sutton Inclusion Centre.
12 December 2013 (2.30pm)	Open consultation event for people and organisations that might want to use the Centre in the future.
13 January 2014	End of consultation and deadline for responses.
End January 2014	Provide feedback to respondents

The consultation events will take place at Sutton Inclusion Centre.

Other consultation events may be requested, please contact:

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