

Stakeholder Briefing

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Shropshire, Telford and Wrekin Children and Young People's Emotional Wellbeing and Mental Health Service Update

NHS Shropshire, Telford and Wrekin Integrated Care Board (ICB) currently holds a contract with the Midlands Partnership University NHS Foundation Trust (MPFT) for the delivery of local Children and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS), known as BeeU.

A comprehensive piece of work is underway to redesign and recommission a CAMHS service that will replace BeeU. The process will be conducted through a competitive procurement exercise in accordance with Health Care Services (Provider Selection Regime) Regulations 2023 (PSR). The service launch, initially set for 1 October 2025, has been delayed due to the need for additional review, and due diligence.

The BeeU contract with MPFT will be extended until 31 March 2026 to ensure service continuity, with the newly commissioned CAMHS service commencing on 1 April 2026. In parallel, efforts continue to improve in-year service delivery, particularly around access and waiting times.

In light of this revision a revised timeline of next steps has been developed. Following the engagement period, which closed on 7 March, a comprehensive engagement report has been developed. The insight from the engagement will be considered and will help shape the final service specification. The full engagement report will be published on NHS Shropshire, Telford and Wrekin's website here.

Following the approval of the final service specification, the procurement process is expected to begin in late summer, with the contract expected to be awarded towards the end of 2025. The new CAMHS service is scheduled to go live 1 April 2026.

NHS Shropshire, Telford and Wrekin remains committed to delivering a high-quality, sustainable CAMHS service that meets the needs of children and young people. Stakeholders will be kept informed as we progress towards the new service implementation, ensuring a safe and effective transition for service users and providers alike.

We appreciate stakeholder engagement and continued support in shaping this critical service transformation. Thank you for your continued partnership. Your involvement is key to ensuring every child and young person receives the right support at the right time in the right place. If you have any questions or require further information, please contact stw.communications@nhs.net.

