



## **South West London mental health services under threat**

**Mental health services nationally are under serious pressure as a result of years of under-investment and a recent real-term DROP in investment.**

### **What is happening to mental health services in our area**

**The six clinical commissioning groups (CCGs) in SW London that pay for our hospitals and services - Merton, Sutton, Richmond, Kingston, Croydon and Wandsworth - are to consult with the public about mental health services in the area.**

**Already big cuts have been made:**

- 40% of mental health beds in SW London have been lost in the 10 years to 2012**
- This year 10 beds have been closed and more cuts could follow**
- Community mental health teams often have difficulty in securing beds for sick clients**

**The SW London mental health consultation proposes :**

- To cut mental health bed numbers by a further 10% by 2018 - although the consultation document says demand is likely to increase.**
- To close all psychiatric beds at Queen Mary's hospital**



**Don't let them get away with it—make your voice heard—defend mental health services  
Vote No to both consultation options**

- **Attend one of the consultation meetings being held in each borough (See below)**
- **Contact your local CCG**
- **Contact your local councillors**
- **Write to your MP**
- **Send a letter to your GP**

**Contact South West London Keep Our NHS Public email [swl.konp@gmail.com](mailto:swl.konp@gmail.com) or-attend our meeting on the second Tuesday of each month, 7.30pm at Colliers Wood Community Centre, 66/72, Colliers Wood High Street, SW19 2BY**

### **Mental health Borough Consultations**

**28 October 7-9p.m. Kingston United Reform Church, Richard Mayo Centre, Eden Street KT1 1HZ**

**6 November 7-9p.m. Riverside Room, Old Town Hall, Whittaker Avenue TW9 1TP**

**10 November 7-9 p.m. Wimbledon Guild, Drake House [Hall] 44, St Georges Road, SW19 4ED**

**13 November 7-9 p.m. Large Hall, Sutton Salvation Army 45, Benhill Ave, Sutton SM1 4DD**

**19 November 7-9 p.m. Conference Room A, Springfield**