

Ms. Grainne McGill,
Jigsaw Clondalkin,
Moorefield Ave,
Neilstown,
Clondalkin.
Dublin 22.

21st February, 2019

Our Ref: M 61593

**Re: Clondalkin Area Committee Meeting of South Dublin County Council
held on 20th February, 2019**

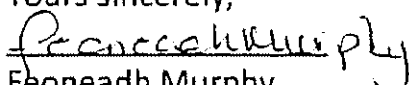
Dear Ms. O'Shea,

I write on behalf of the Elected Members who at the Clondalkin Area Committee meeting held on 20th February, 2019, passed the following motions:

"Figures released by the HSE through a Parliamentary Question highlighted the waiting times for an appointment with Jigsaw in North Clondalkin of up to 7 weeks. This Committee vehemently opposes any reduction of services or any attempt to relocate any of this service outside of Clondalkin. This Committee agrees to write to the HSE and Jigsaw management and ask for assurances that this will not happen and to seek an enhancement to services that are vital to the mental health wellbeing to the young people of Clondalkin."

I would be obliged for your comments and response as soon as possible to enable me to revert to the Committee.

Yours sincerely,


Feoneadh Murphy,
Senior Staff Officer.

Ms Feoneadh Murphy,
South Dublin County Council,
County Hall
Tallaght,
Dublin 24

27th February 2019

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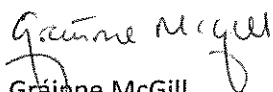
Dear Ms. Murphy

In relation to some recent media coverage regarding the possible closure of Jigsaw's youth mental health service in Clondalkin, Jigsaw would like to confirm the following:

- Our service, currently based on Moorfield Avenue in Clondalkin, is **not** closing.
- We are currently exploring options for service delivery into South County Dublin around our new premises in Tallaght for the service from 2020 and beyond. We remain fully committed to the young people of Clondalkin and surrounding areas and will continue to deliver our mental health services to them and those around them.
- Any decision to change the physical location of the service will be made in line with our desire to continue to offer the best we can to the people of Clondalkin and surrounding areas.
- Our new premises in Tallaght, will bring together our Jigsaw Clondalkin and Jigsaw Tallaght teams, thus creating one larger, more resilient team to ensure stability and sustainability into the long term for the service to the County.
- In line with trends across Jigsaw's network, the last 12 months has seen a 15% surge in demand for our services in the Dublin South West region. We have, and will continue to be responsive to this demand to the best of our ability.
- Indeed, what we will offer to our community in Clondalkin will actually expand, not contract, with a choice of locations for appointments (Tallaght or Clondalkin) from now until the end of the year, an eMental Health platform available to young people, adults and professionals working with young people available from April and a new, integrated schools programme being rolled out across the area from September this year.
- There will be **no** reduction in our day-to-day work with young people and the community across Clondalkin, Lucan, Newcastle and Palmerstown.

If you need to contact me, have any further queries or would like to have a meeting, please contact clondalkin@jigsaw.ie

Yours sincerely,



Grainne McGill
Service Manager

Together with