## healthwatch Merton

### Morden Community Forum Erin Cowhig Croft 2019

## What is Healthwatch Merton?

- Part of a nationwide network with 152 other local Healthwatch
- Here to gather and represent the views of the public
- Health and social care

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- Physical and mental health services; primary and secondary care
- Children, young people, adults and older adults
- Link between people and service commissioners/providers
- Improving services with your insight

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## What isn't Healthwatch?

- A provider of health or social care services
- The NHS, Social Services, the Government, the Department of Health or the Police – we are independent
- Complaints forum or advocacy programme
  POhWER is the NHS Complaints Advocacy service



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### Why engage with us?



Find out about opportunities to volunteer on strategic reference groups Find information about services

Find out what's happening locally in the near future in Health and Social Care Show us your areas of concern

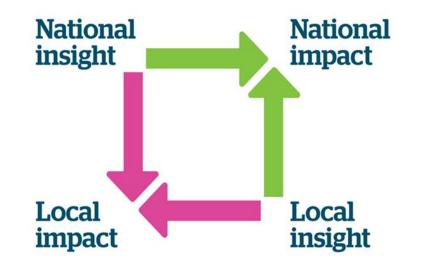
Contribute to positive change in the services you use



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### Where we put information to use

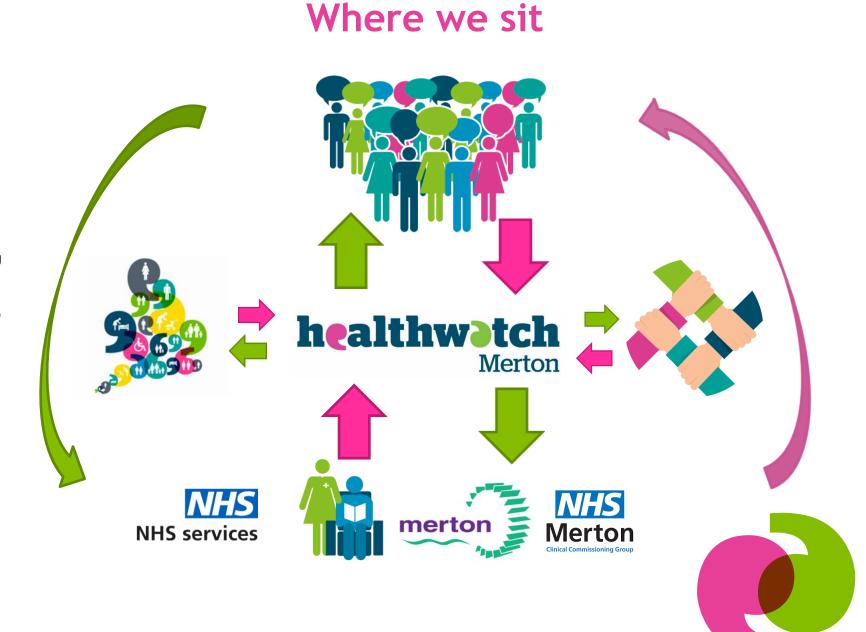






- National HWE and network
- Local Merton and SW London level
- Individual Services and providers





Types of information we get

### Experience

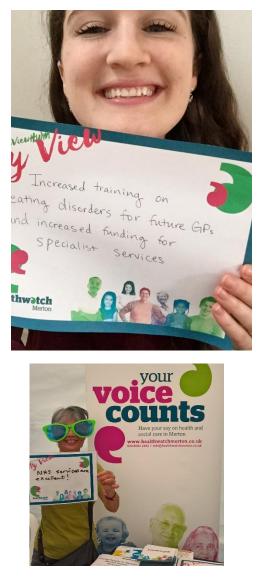
### Opinion







### #MyViewHWM







## Our day-to-day

- Signposting service Getting information out there - helping people
- Meeting with local groups
  Looking for unheard voices and stories
- Attending public events Raise the profile of Healthwatch Merton
- Going where H&SC are being talked about Keeping in the loop both ways!



### **Previous Projects and Impact**

- Enter and View reports
- St Helier Engagement
- Adult Social Care Report
- GP Services Report





## **Information & Communication**

• Newsletter

Goes out to over 2000 people (please sign up!)

Leaflet Library

We keep a stock of current information about services relevant to the Health & Wellbeing of people in Merton

### Infoline/Info inbox

Enquiries, suggestions, complaints, requests for escalation - from public \*and\* professionals

Social Media







## What's happening locally?

- Wilson development our Chair is on the CRG
- Enter and View on Beecholme (and others)
- Local Health and Care Plan
- Merton Health and Wellbeing Strategy Refresh
- Improving Healthcare Together 2020-2030



## Local story

### **Start well**

Services for children, young people and families

### Live well

Mental health and managing long-term conditions



### Age well

Dementia care, joined up care for people with multiple conditions, and integration of Health and Social Care





### National Story - NHS Long-term Plan



- Care closer to home networked Primary Care and Community Services
- Digitally-enabled primary and outpatient care available to all
- Priority areas: cancer, cardiovascular disease, maternity and neonatal health, mental health, learning disability, stroke, diabetes and respiratory care
- Supporting people to make informed decisions about their care and management of their conditions
- Increased NHS focus on prevention and health inequalities
- Reduce pressure on emergency services Same day emergency care









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