**HRS Covid Catch up Call - Notes 02.09.20**

**Actions from last meeting**

* Bridie & James McW to discuss potential accommodation outside of meeting – Completed
* LS to contact PCC about Futures voids – LS emailed Moh & Sean at PCC
* If anyone knows of a space Cyrenians could use so they can restart their regular counselling sessions, then please contact James Martin
* Can feedback be provided on why the request for additional funding was refused and whether there is any option to appeal this decision? – No option to appeal - LS has requested this but no further information has been received as yet.

**MEAM (Making Every Adult Matter) Approach - Tom Tallon**

* Tom gave an overview of MEAM approach and his team (see Powerpoint slides for more details)
	+ MEAM is a collection of charities including Homeless Link
	+ Cambs Team have 3 x case coordinators
	+ They work with individuals who are the most excluded/difficult to engage with (e.g. those individuals often known to multiple services but not engaging)
* Anyone who wants to learn more about MEAM can use this link; <http://meam.org.uk/>
* If anyone has any questions regarding MEAM Tom is always happy to discuss

**Covid Swab testing pilot**

* Pilot covers Cambridge City and Peterborough
* Developing a pathway – **Action:** Imogen to send draft for LS to circulate
* Need to be able to store ‘swab tests’ at central points where any one can access - don’t require much space or any specific temperature requirements
* Individuals would be asked to self-swab – guidance/training for staff would be available
* Aimed at testing ‘symptomatic’ individuals only
* Garden House in Peterborough are happy to store some
* Access Surgery in Cambridge is one suggested location
* Concerns about symptomatic people turning up at the location with the tests
* Imogen envisaged that each service would have their own stock
* **Action:** LS to send a list of all services to Imogen
* Would be seeking to get consent from individuals to share results when they take a test
* Would to treat individuals as Covid positive so would suggest that appropriate PPE should be used if you are in the same room as the individual
* Food distribution service could also carry and

**Soft Market Testing**

* ‘Soft Market Testing’ (SMT) is a specific tool County can use but it not part of the Procurement Process.
* Purpose of SMT is to give us an opportunity to pose some questions to the wider potential market to help us in shaping the procurement approach e.g. views to inform the specification, additional feedback on some elements of the current or proposed models, views on the best way to group services and contracts for the procurement.
* SMT will be launched through the County’s Procurement portal – any organisation can respond to SMT invitation, they just need to register their interest to access the SMT documents
* SMT responses are confidential but we will aim to share a summary of responses and how we will use them
* Anticipate SMT document will go live mid-September