Manchester Deserves Better Mental Health Services

The services which were going to be cut have been saved. But the campaign continues for better mental health services in Manchester. Please sign this petition and return to:
UNISON Manchester Community and Mental Health, TU Office, Chorlton House, 70 Manchester Road, M21 9UN.

We applaud the action taken by service users, trade unions, staff and the community which resulted in saving vital mental health services in Manchester.

We are concerned, however, that the Manchester Mental Health & Social Care Trust Board and the Clinical Commissioning Groups (responsible for the commissioning of health services in Manchester) were prepared to cut services against unanimous public opposition, without evidence of due regard for the impact on disabled and other protected groups - which is their legal duty - and that they only reversed their decision after a successful application to the high court.

It is unacceptable that the commissioners, rather than apologising for their behaviour and conducting an investigation to find out why this occurred and how they will ensure it won't happen in the future, are now preparing/conducting a further review of mental health services.

This treatment has left staff and service users feeling angry, insecure and devalued.

We will support staff and service users in any action they may decide to take in order to defend these services, including industrial action.

We demand:

- That there are no further cuts to Mental Health Services
- A plan of investment into mental health services with the involvement of representatives from the trade unions, staff, service users, their families and the public
- An immediate reinstatement of all staff and services in line with the legal agreement to keep all services open
- Any review of mental health services in the future must involve a decision making process which is open and honest, in the interest of service users and compliant with the Equality and NHS Acts

Signature / Name	Postcode	Email (if you want us to keep you informed about the campaign)

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The campaign and petition are supported by:

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To support users and ex-users of psychiatric services in Manchester and provide a forum for users to have a bona fide say in planning and provision of mental health services

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