

HEALTH SCRUTINY SUB-COMMITTEE

Monday, 5 March 2018 at 6.30 p.m.

MP701, 7th Floor, Town Hall, Mulberry Place, 5 Clove Crescent,
London, E14 2BG.

This meeting is open to the public to attend.

Members:

Chair: Councillor Clare Harrisson
Vice-Chair: Councillor Rachael Saunders

Councillor Khales Uddin Ahmed, Councillor Abdul Asad, Councillor Peter Golds,
Councillor Muhammad Ansar Mustaqim and Councillor Rachael Saunders

Substitutes:

Councillor Andrew Wood, Councillor Candida Ronald, Councillor Mahbub Alam,
Councillor Md. Maium Miah, Councillor Rajib Ahmed and Councillor Shafi Ahmed

Co-opted Members:

David Burbidge	Healthwatch Tower Hamlets Representative
Tim Oliver	Healthwatch Tower Hamlets

[The quorum for this body is 3 voting Members]

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To note any declarations of interest made by Members, including those restricting Members from voting on the questions detailed in Section 106 of the Local Government Finance Act, 1992. See attached note from the Monitoring Officer.

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Agenda Item 1

DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS - NOTE FROM THE MONITORING OFFICER

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For further advice please contact:-

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APPENDIX A: Definition of a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest

(Relevant Authorities (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012, Reg 2 and Schedule)

Subject	Prescribed description
Employment, office, trade, profession or vacation	Any employment, office, trade, profession or vocation carried on for profit or gain.
Sponsorship	<p>Any payment or provision of any other financial benefit (other than from the relevant authority) made or provided within the relevant period in respect of any expenses incurred by the Member in carrying out duties as a member, or towards the election expenses of the Member.</p> <p>This includes any payment or financial benefit from a trade union within the meaning of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992.</p>
Contracts	<p>Any contract which is made between the relevant person (or a body in which the relevant person has a beneficial interest) and the relevant authority—</p> <p>(a) under which goods or services are to be provided or works are to be executed; and</p> <p>(b) which has not been fully discharged.</p>
Land	Any beneficial interest in land which is within the area of the relevant authority.
Licences	Any licence (alone or jointly with others) to occupy land in the area of the relevant authority for a month or longer.
Corporate tenancies	<p>Any tenancy where (to the Member's knowledge)—</p> <p>(a) the landlord is the relevant authority; and</p> <p>(b) the tenant is a body in which the relevant person has a beneficial interest.</p>
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HEALTH SCRUTINY SUB-COMMITTEE
08/01/2018

LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS

MINUTES OF THE HEALTH SCRUTINY SUB-COMMITTEE

HELD AT 6.35 P.M. ON MONDAY, 8 JANUARY 2018

MP701, 7TH FLOOR, TOWN HALL, MULBERRY PLACE, 5 CLOVE CRESCENT,
LONDON, E14 2BG.

Members Present

Councillor Clare Harrisson	(Chair)
Councillor Rachael Saunders	(Vice-Chair)
Councillor Khaled Uddin Ahmed	
Councillor Abdul Asad	
Councillor Muhammad Ansar Mustaqim	

Co-opted Members

David Burbidge	Healthwatch Representative
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Officers

Joseph Lacey-Holland	Strategy and Performance Manager
Afia Khatun	Programme Manager Later Years of Life
Chris Lovitt	Associate Director Public Health
Ronke-Martins-Taylor	Division Director Youth and Commissioning
Rushena Miah	Committee Services Officer

Speakers and guests

Lucie Butler	Director of Nursing, Midwifery and Governance
Allison Herron	Maternity Management Team Bart's
Dr Matthew Hogg	Maternity Management Team Bart's
Kelly Jupp	Maternity Management Team Bart's
Shahida Trayling	Maternity Management Team Bart's
Jackie Sullivan	Managing Director Royal London and Mile End Hospitals – Bart's Health
Alwen Williams	CEO Bart's Health Trust
Martin Bould	Senior Joint Commissioner Mental Health and Joint Commissioning Team Tower Hamlets Clinical Commissioning Group
Nancy Meehan	Interim Divisional Director Children's Social Care
Simon Twite	Public Health Lead Maternity and Early Years
Bill Williams	General Manager IAPT Project, TH CAMHS

Apologies:

Councillor Peter Golds	
Daniel Kerr	Strategy and Performance Officer

1. DECLARATIONS OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS

There were no declarations of interest.

2. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 5 October 2017 were approved as an accurate record and signed by the Chair.

3. APPOINTMENT OF VICE CHAIR

Councillor Khales Uddin Ahmed nominated Councillor Rachael Saunders for the position of Vice-Chair of the Housing Scrutiny Committee.

Councillor Khales Uddin Ahmed nominated Councillor Rachael Saunders for the position of Tower Hamlets Labour Member representative on the Inner North East London Joint Health and Overview Scrutiny Committee (INEL JHOSC).

Councillor Saunders agreed to accept the positions.

RESOLVED

To appoint Councillor Rachael Saunders as Vice-Chair and Member of the INEL JHOSC.

4. REPORTS FOR CONSIDERATION:

4.1 SCRUTINY CHALLENGE SESSION: CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE'S MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES (ANNUAL ACTION PLAN UPDATE)

The Committee heard an update from Ronke Martins-Taylor, Divisional Director Youth and Commissioning, on the Children and Young Peoples Mental Health Service action plan. Ms Martins-Taylor apologised to the Committee for the delay in publishing the action plan. It was noted that the reasons for special urgency were included in the agenda pack published prior to the winter break. Key points from each recommendation were briefly summarised, these included:

1. The Council are working with Tower Hamlets Clinical Commissioning Group and the voluntary sector to strengthen early intervention services.
2. Tower Hamlets has a record number of schools, 97%, accredited with the Healthy Schools Accreditation.
3. Parent and infant emotion health and wellbeing training was delivered in 2016/17 as part of the Tower Hamlets Together training.
4. Data is being scrutinised to investigate if there is a correlation between care leavers and teenage pregnancy.
5. A new integrated young people's health and wellbeing service will begin in 2018 and will target young care leavers.

6. A co-commissioned specialist Community Adult Mental Health Service (CAMHS) was launched to support young people experiencing mental health issues who have been in contact with the youth justice system.
7. Empowering service users to contribute to service development.
8. Christine McInnes, Service Head Education and Partnership, has been working with families to raise awareness of mental health issues via transformation projects.
9. Improving cultural awareness of mental health issues. A pilot delivered by Tree4Life, trained local women in delivering mental health first aid.
10. Reducing stigma in mental health via a 'Flourishing Minds' pilot.
11. Reviewing the workforce to make it reflective of the community. Core Bangladeshi employees were regarded as cultural consultants for the review.
12. Improving engagement with children and families in mental health awareness- The Children and Families team delivered training sessions for parents at schools.
13. The next Children and Family System Review will consider auditing children's centres.
14. That the Council and Tower Hamlets Clinical Commissioning Group are raising awareness of mental health and available support services to all staff.

Questions and comments from the Committee:

Councillor Mustaquim asked under what criteria are the young people admitted to the specialist CAMHS. Ms Martins-Taylor explained that the service is provided on a needs assessment basis. She advised Members to get in touch with her via email if they wanted to view a copy of the assessment criteria.

Councillor Asad said he was pleased with the action plan. With regard to recommendation one in the action plan he asked if an ethnic breakdown of the 123 people supported was available. In addition to this he asked what methods were used to support parent's emotional wellbeing and whether the Community Commissioning Panel was representative of the community.

ACTION:

Ronke-Martin's Taylor to investigate Councillor Asad's questions and report back:

Recommendation 1: What was the ethnic breakdown of the 123 people supported?

Recommendation 3: What methods were used to support parents emotional wellbeing in the training delivered?

Recommendation 9: Is the Community Commissioning Panel representative of the Community?

The Chair asked if there was a strand being developed around digital mental health outreach. Bill Williams, CAMHS, said there was interest in looking at this as a commissioning priority but there was nothing in place at present.

Cllr Asad asked if these recommendations were a result of the recent Ofsted result. It was confirmed that the tabled action plan was drafted in line with best practice in the sector as opposed to a specific response to Ofsted.

There was a discussion on the difficulty of getting priority for housing based on mental health considerations. The Committee agreed the link between housing and mental health should be explored.

The Chair thanked Ms Martins-Taylor for the update report.

RESOLVED

To note the action plan

4.2 LONELINESS

The Committee heard a presentation from Chris Lovitt, Associate Director Public Health, on loneliness and watched a video on two projects that were delivered in the borough to address the problem.

The first project was some research conducted by account3 on community perspectives on loneliness. Account3 trained twenty volunteers to engage with people over the age of fifty on the topic of loneliness.

The second project was titled Action on Loneliness and was delivered in care homes. This was a befriending scheme based on mutual interests. The project was a success and greatly valued by the care homes, however due to specialist knowledge and time and cost related to supporting volunteers it was not continued beyond the project end date.

There was a stakeholder event on the report and recommendations from that event can be found on page 39 of the agenda reports pack.

Mr Lovitt concluded his presentation and asked the Committee for advice on how to take the work forward.

The Chair opened the meeting for comments.

Dr Sam Everington, Chair THCCG, said that the projects addressed the cross cutting theme of compassion and kindness against health and loneliness. He wondered how this kind of work could be made sustainable and suggested it could be embedded into social prescribing.

Other Committee Members considered utilising part of the new Town Hall premises as a social space for isolated people.

The Chair highlighted the difficulty in defining loneliness. She said that although one might typically think of older people as being lonely, she knew of constituents who were younger and experiencing mental health issues who would also fit into the lonely category.

David Burbidge, Healthwatch representative, spoke about the link between loneliness and death. He used the Nottingham Warden Scheme as a case study and one potential solution to the issue. He said isolated people were visited by a community warden daily. He also said the miners community in Nottingham set up a Welfare Café where people with mental health issues could go for a hot drink and have a friendly conversation on what was troubling them.

In addition to this, he said that many elderly people in the LGBT community in Tower Hamlets are experiencing loneliness with the added burden of having to pay the bedroom tax.

The Committee broadly agreed that the Council should keep an eye on the London wide strategy on loneliness and explore opportunities to get involved with it.

There was a discussion on successful community projects that had brought people together, these included: Chatter Natter at St Andrews, Furry Tales – targeting people with dementia, mental health café and gardening allotment schemes.

Mr Lovitt said the presentation heard today supports the idea that loneliness is an issue in the borough and that it is linked to physical and mental health. The logical next step was to embed tackling loneliness throughout Council wide strategies.

Denise Radley said that there is a loneliness strand in the Ageing Well Strategy. There was a discussion on linking combating loneliness to social value and corporate volunteering.

The Chair said the presentation was a good introduction to the issue and asked Officers to add loneliness and homelessness to the Forward Plan for next year.

RESOLVED

To note the presentation.

To include loneliness on next year's Forward Plan.

4.3 SCRUTINY REVIEW: MATERNITY SERVICES

The Committee heard a presentation from Alwen Williams, CEO Bart's Health Trust and Kelly Jupp, Maternity Management Team at Bart's Health.

Having heard a number of recommendations from the Health Scrutiny Committee 18 months ago, a Maternity Partnership Board was set up to address the challenges. The Board made successes in five key areas, these were: safety, workforce, staff, partnership and staff wellbeing.

1. 10 secure doors have been installed and an electronic baby tag monitoring system has been introduced as well as an abduction policy implemented.
2. The recruitment web page has been revised to include direct contact details of the management team and list live vacancies. There is a 94% fill rate, one midwife to twenty-eight patients and two labour ward co-ordinators have been recruited. Staff members are required to sign up to both day and night shifts.
3. Overnight stays for partners have been introduced.
4. There has been greater partnership work with Healthwatch Tower Hamlets Social Action for Health a voluntary sector organisation.
5. Staff wellbeing initiatives have been introduced for the midwifery team and wider support staff including administrative workers.

With regard to the improvement plan, speakers were confident that the amber ratings will improve to green by March 2018.

The Chair opened the meeting to questions or comments from the Committee.

Dr Sam Everington, Chair of THCCG, thanked the team for their work. He said this was a fantastic turnaround given the pressures in a hospital setting.

The Chair said that she was very impressed with the report and was glad that things were moving in the right direction.

Councillor Asad asked how Brexit might affect the employment of midwives. Lucie Butler, Director of Nursing, Midwifery & Governance responded that recruitment efforts were going well and they had not seen a negative impact as a result of Brexit, as of yet. The CEO of Bart's Trust informed the Committee of plans to provide greater opportunities for the borough's young people and recruit more apprentices.

David Burbidge asked if the newly installed secure doors affected people with disabilities. Speakers assured Mr Burbidge that the doors were accessible and visitors could rely on reception staff to provide support in opening the doors if required.

It was noted that the carbon monoxide quick kits were due to arrive shortly.

The Chair thanked the Maternity Team at Bart's for their presentation.

RESOLVED

To note the report.


5. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

The meeting ended at 8.45 p.m.

Chair, Councillor Clare Harrisson
Health Scrutiny Sub-Committee

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<p>Non-Executive Report of the:</p> <p>Health Scrutiny Subcommittee</p> <p>5 March 2018</p>	
<p>Report of: Somen Banerjee, Director of Public Health</p>	<p>Classification: Unrestricted</p>
<p>Integrated sexual health services in East London</p>	

<p>Originating Officer(s)</p>	<p>Chris Lovitt, Associate Director of Public Health; Dr Liat Sarner, Sexual Health and HIV Clinical Lead, Barts Health Sukhjit Sanghera, Public Health Programme Lead</p>
<p>Wards affected</p>	<p>All wards</p>

Summary

Sexual health is an essential element of the physical and emotional health and wellbeing of individuals. It is influenced by a range of social, economic and cultural factors. The provision of an easily accessible and confidential sexual and reproductive health service is vital for the well-being of individuals and their communities and local authorities are responsible for providing this.

Tower Hamlets has taken an approach to commissioning a cross borough integrated sexual health service in 2017. The vision of this approach is to further improve sexual health across East London by building effective, responsive and high quality sexual health services that result in better sexual health outcomes for local residents.

This report provides an overview of the new integrated sexual health service, commissioned in 2017 and seeks to:-

- Describe the local picture of sexually transmitted infections and need for contraception choice amongst Tower Hamlets residents. Information has been extracted from Tower Hamlets LA HIV, sexual and reproductive health - epidemiology report (LASER 2016) which has been produced by Public Health England.
- Describe the integrated approach and priorities undertaken jointly across Newham, Waltham Forest, Redbridge and Tower Hamlets for the new service
- Outline the new service model and what this means for local residents
- Highlight future opportunities for continued service developments to meet local need through research, innovation and the implementation of the Whitechapel Masterplan

Recommendations:

The Health Scrutiny Sub-Committee is recommended to:

1. Review presentation
2. Comment on proposals for future opportunities.

COMMENTS OF THE CHIEF FINANCE OFFICER

The costs of the new service model for sexual health are being contained within the existing revenue budget which is funded by the Public Health grant. Sexual health represents a financial risk since this is a demand led service, however robust activity and cost monitoring is in place. Efficiencies through Pan-London tariff prices and channel shift to more modern and accessible services, are expected to achieve the medium term financial strategy savings of £525k from 2017-18 to 2019-20.

LEGAL COMMENTS

Sections 244-247 of the National Health Service Act 2006 govern the Council's health scrutiny function. The relevant regulations are the Local Authority (Public Health, Health and Wellbeing Boards and Health Scrutiny) Regulations 2013 ("the Regulations"), which are aimed at supporting local authorities to discharge their scrutiny functions effectively. The Council has the power to review and scrutinise matters relating to the planning, provision and operation of the health service in the area and can make recommendations and require a response from NHS bodies.

The Council also has statutory duties pursuant to section 2B(1) National Health Service Act 2006 to take steps as it considers appropriate for improving the health of the people in its area and section 6 of The Local Authorities (Public Health Functions and Entry to Premises by Local Healthwatch Representatives) Regulations 2012 to provide or make arrangements to secure the provision of open access sexual health services in its area. Reviewing the new service model for sexual health and commenting on the proposals for future opportunities therefore falls within the functions of the Health Scrutiny Sub-Committee.

Integrated Sexual Health Services in East London

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Chris Lovitt – Associate Director of Public Health, LBTH

Dr Liat Sarner – Clinical Director, Sexual Health, HIV,
Rheumatology & Dermatology, Barts Health

5th March 2018

Overview

- Background
- Local picture
- Integrated sexual health service
- New service model
- Future opportunities

Background

- Since 2013, LBTH has been mandated to commission open access services for provision of contraception, testing and treatment for sexually transmitted infections (STI), funded from the PH grant
- National recommendation to strengthen local prevention activities that focus on groups at highest risk, including young adults, black ethnic minorities and men who have sex with men (MSM)

Local picture

- 9th highest rates of new Sexually Transmitted Infections (STIs) in England (9/326 LA)
- Overall the highest rates of new diagnosis of STIs are in the 20 to 24 years age group in women and 25 to 29 age group in men.
- An estimated 13.2% of men presenting with a new STI from 2011 and 2016 were re-infected with a new STI within a year
- 56% of new STIs were in MSM
- HIV prevalence is almost 3 times higher than the national rate (6.5 vs 2.3 per 1,000 population aged 15-59)
- The rate of new diagnosis of HIV (aged 15 & older) is over four times high than that in England (48.3 vs 10.3 per 100,000 population)

Local Performance Indicators

- Rates of testing for STIs in 15-64 year olds are high compared to nationally – Locally there was a 5.4% increase in testing from the previous year
- Between 2014 -2016, 18.2% HIV diagnoses made at a late stage of infection compared to 40% in England
- Tower Hamlets was ranked 288 out of 326 LAs in prescription rates of long-acting reversible contraception (LARC) in 2011-16
- Conception rate for under 18s - 21.2/1000 females aged 15-17yrs (20.8/1000 in England)
- TH has reduced under 18 conception rates by 63.4% between 1998-2015 (vs 55.4% England)

The Integrated Sexual Health Service in East London

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- Using an integrated service specification aligned across London, Waltham Forest (WF), Newham, Redbridge & Tower Hamlets jointly re-commissioned local sexual health services in 2017
- Barts Health won, replacing NELFT & ELFT who were providers of contraception services in WF and Newham

Specification: Work Packages

1.1 - Integrated sexual health services

2 - Leadership for the system, training for primary care and other professional and provision of PGDs

3 - Enhanced partner notification, whole system STI management

4 - Sexual Health Promotion and Targeted Outreach Provision Boroughs

5 - Children and Young People's Additional (non-clinical) services (Newham)

6 - Chlamydia and Gonorrhoea self sampling kits for community and primary care

New Service Model

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TOWER HAMLETS
Level 3 Integrated Sexual Health
Community – based Level 2 GUM + Contraception
Barts Health
Expanding ISH provision in Primary Care

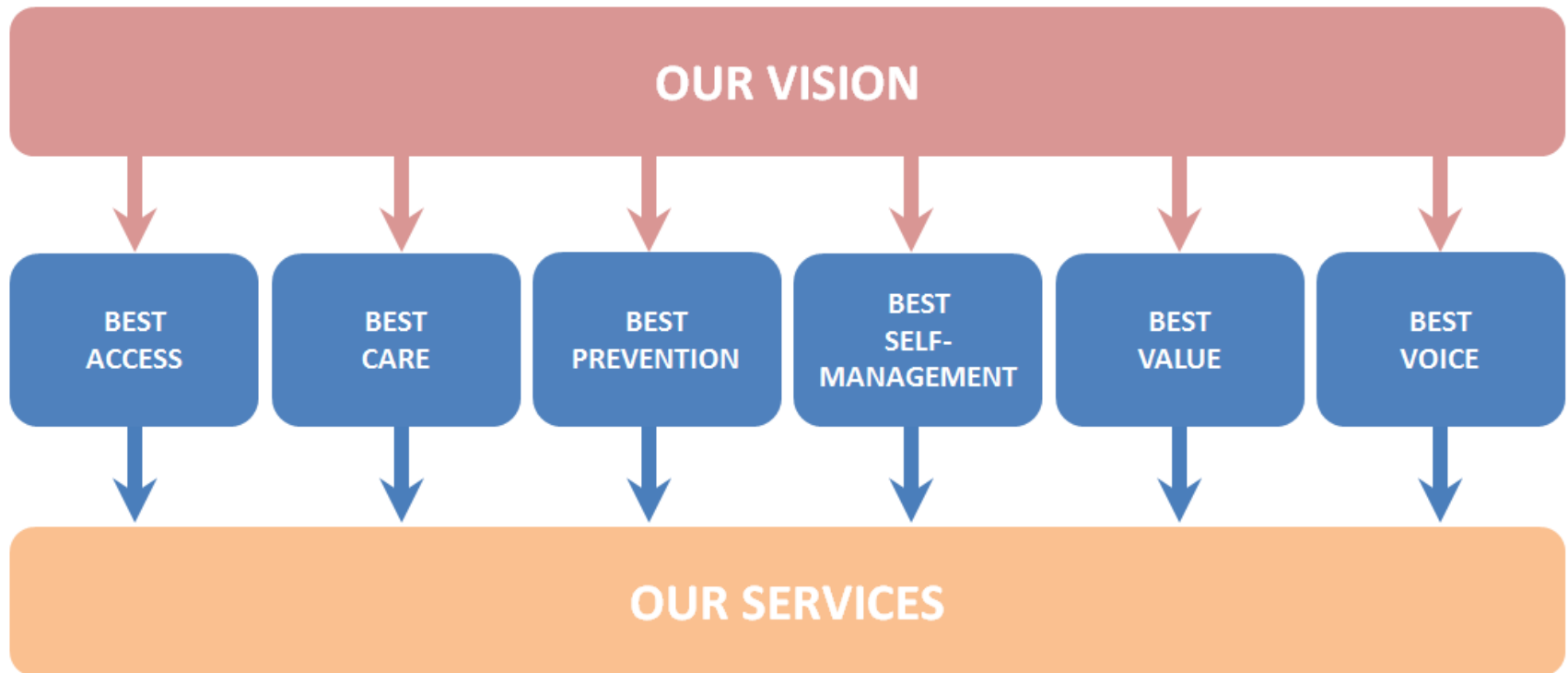
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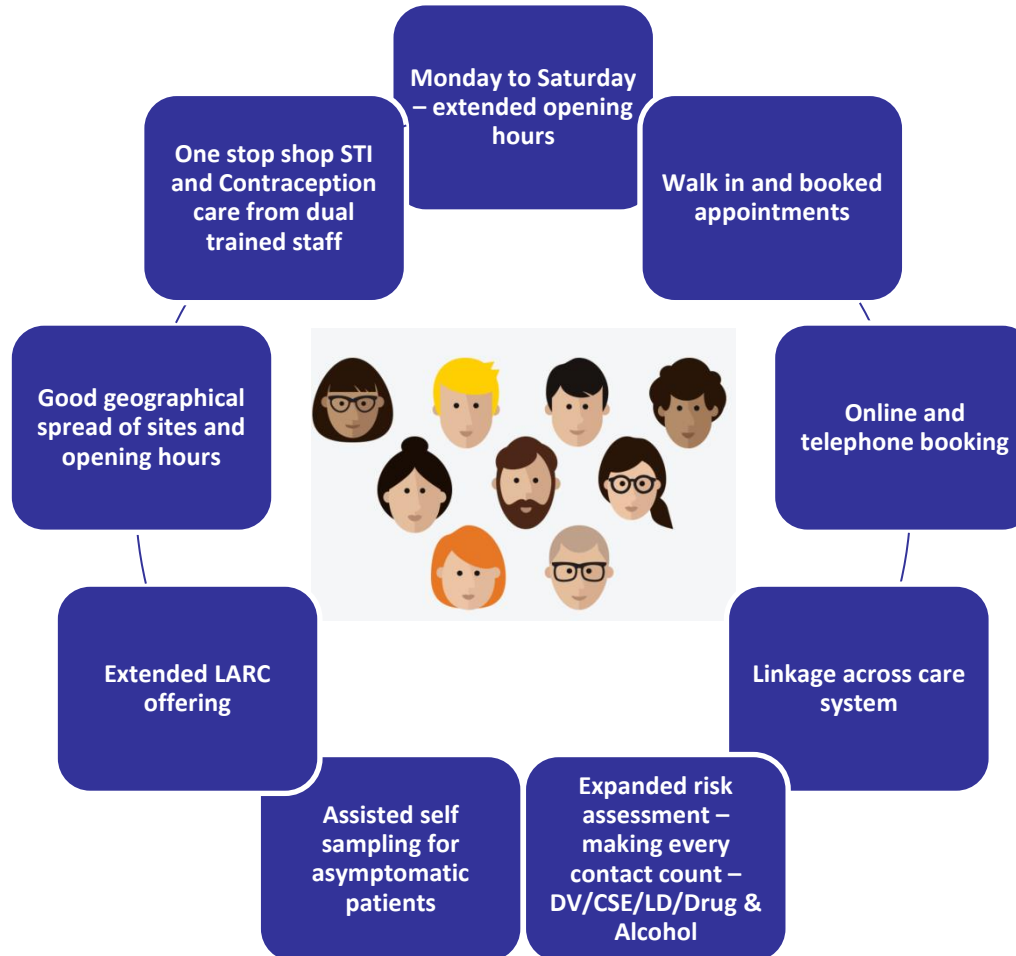
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FULLY INTEGRATED
SEXUAL HEALTH NETWORK**

New Service Model: “Best Objectives”

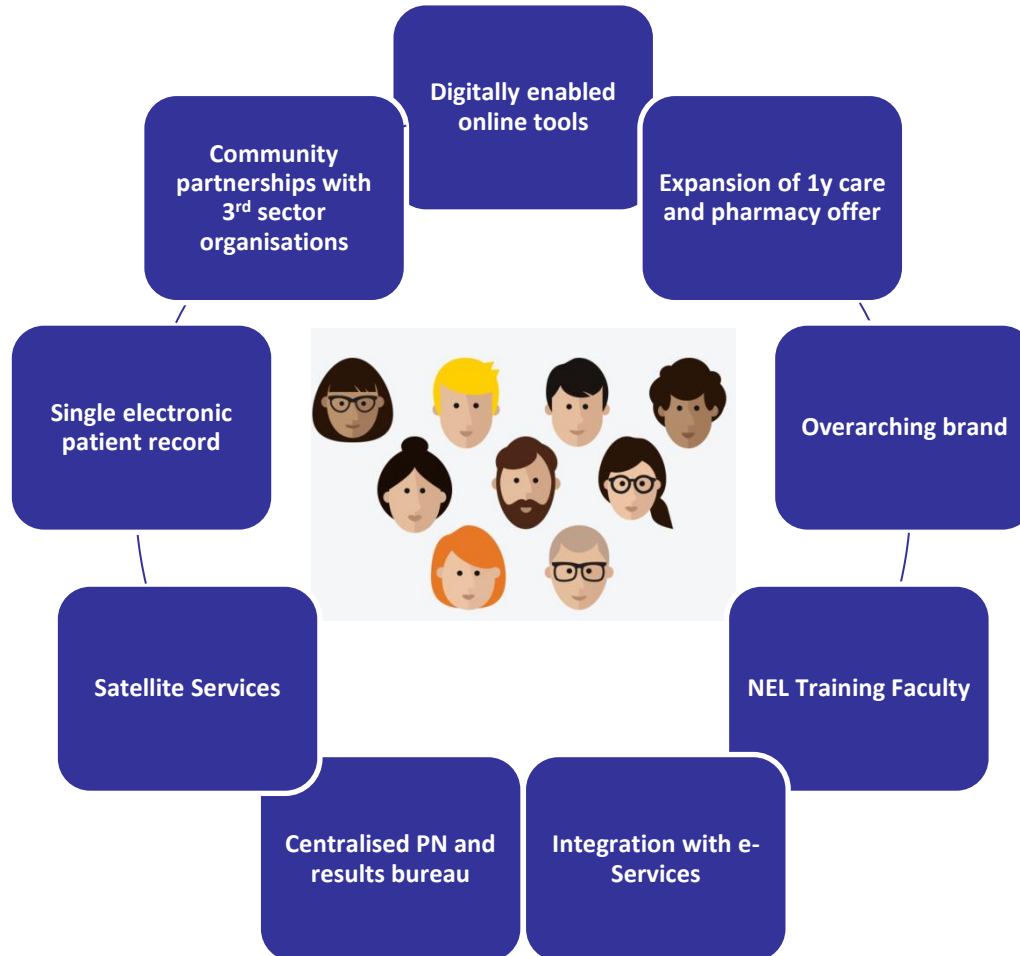


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New Service Model: Fully Integrated



New Service Model: Fully Integrated



New Service Model: Locations

- **2 Centres of Excellence**

- Whitechapel and Stratford (SLG)

- **Satellites**

- **Tower Hamlets**

4 satellites (Mile End, Mild May, St Andrews Medical, Step Forward)

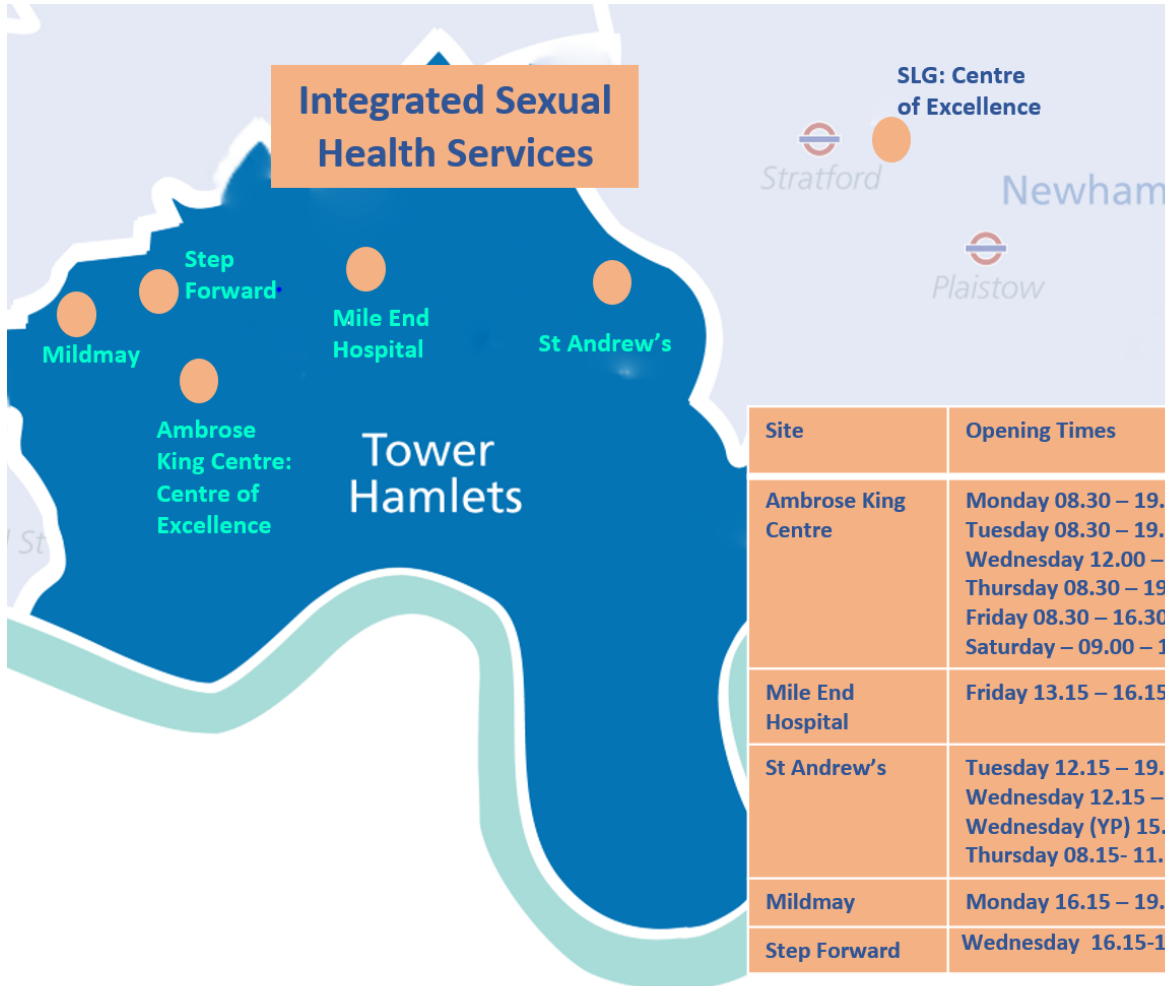
- **Newham**

3 satellites (Shrewsbury Road / Essex Lodge, Blakeberry Pharmacy, West Ham Lane)

- **Waltham Forest**

5 satellites (Harrow Road, St James, Forest Road, Boots, Chingford Site)

New Service Model: Locations in LBTH



Site	Opening Times
Ambrose King Centre	Monday 08.30 – 19.30 Tuesday 08.30 – 19.30 Wednesday 12.00 – 19.30 Thursday 08.30 – 19.30 Friday 08.30 – 16.30 Saturday – 09.00 – 16.00
Mile End Hospital	Friday 13.15 – 16.15
St Andrew's	Tuesday 12.15 – 19.30 Wednesday 12.15 – 14.30 Wednesday (YP) 15.30 – 19.15 Thursday 08.15- 11.15
Mildmay	Monday 16.15 – 19.30
Step Forward	Wednesday 16.15-18.30

New Service Model: Modern Facilities

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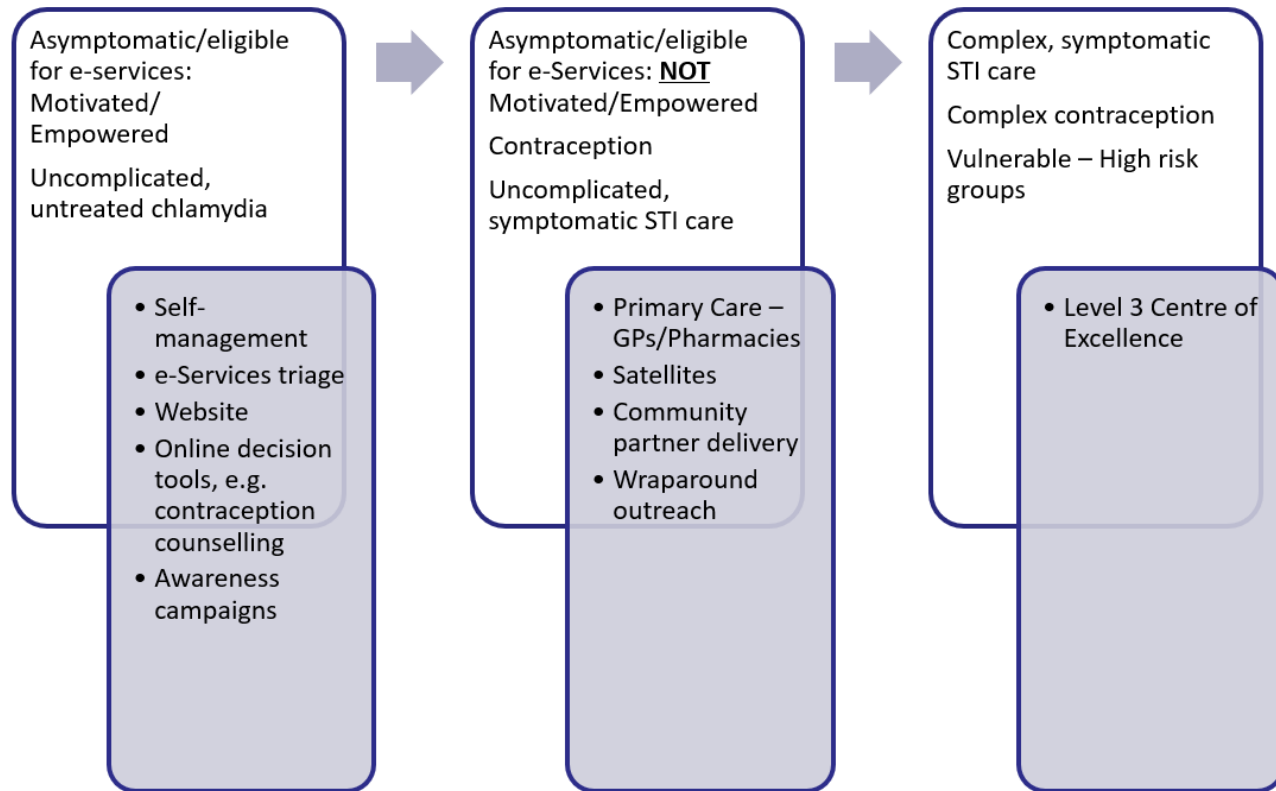


New Service Model: Personas

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ELEMENT OF CARE



New Service Model – Pt L.R

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- 17 years
- Female
- Mixed ethnicity - White/Black British

KEY NEEDS

- Recent unprotected sex
- Termination 3 months ago

HOW ADDRESSED BY OUR SERVICE

- Emergency contraception (IUD)
- Sexual Health Screening
- On going contraception needs

New Service Model – Pt A.N

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- 19 years
- Originally from Pakistan
- Trans-Man - Female to male transition

KEY NEEDS

- Stigma
- Sexual health and wellbeing

HOW ADDRESSED BY OUR SERVICE

- Health advisor review
- Sexual Health Screening
- PEP/PREP assessment
- Referral for IMPACT trial
- Contraception needs


New Service Model

- Video

Future Opportunities

- Life Sciences cluster will bring together NHS, industry, health science organisations and researchers to deliver improvement in health outcomes
- A new facility for sexual health, integrated with research and development focussed on genomics, data, bioengineering and population health
- Build on Barts Health strong track record in delivering sexual health research
- Enabling local population to take part in innovative trials and encouraging repatriation of local residents to the service

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<p>Report of: Tower Hamlets CCG, Barts Health Trust, East London Foundation Trust, LBTH</p>	
<p>Patient Voice and Engagement</p>	

Originating Officer(s)	Michael Keating
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1. Summary

This report provides a summary of how effectively key health and social care organisations in the borough engage with service users and respond to their views.

2. Recommendations:

The HSC Committee is recommended to:

- Note the report and presentation, and identify ways key health and social care organisations could improve their engagement with service users.

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A snapshot of how the statutory partners in Tower Hamlets Together engage with local people

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- The following slides provide:
 - An introduction to Tower Hamlets Together (THT)
 - A snapshot of the engagement and involvement undertaken by each of the statutory partners – Barts Health, East London Foundation Trust, the GP Care Group, LB Tower Hamlets Health and Social Care and Tower Hamlets CCG as well the THT Programme Management Office – and the budget
 - An indication of next steps
- It should be noted that there is a huge range of activity underway locally and will continue to be vital for the successful delivery of services
- The budget figures provided are indicative of the centralised activity of partners but do not cover the full range of what goes on



A collaborative partnership of acute, primary and mental health, social care and the voluntary and community sector in place since the end of 2013



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Local people sit at the heart of our design principles...



Person-centred care with clear understanding and collaboration between residents and staff about what to expect from each other to make the right shared decisions based on individual needs

Health and social care services integrated around people, with staff not hindered by organisational boundaries or bureaucracy in order to put people's needs first

Transparent and clear information for patients and staff to help them make effective and timely decisions

Joined-up working to drive improved wellbeing through partnerships outside of the health and social care system

Scarce resources have the greatest impact by allocating them according to changing population need with clear accountability between clinical decisions and resource allocation

A learning health and care system – real time access to knowledge, digital capture of care experience, engaged empowered patients, incentives aligned for value, full transparency, a leadership instilled culture of learning, supportive system competencies

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Our People Charter describes how we should our behave with each other...

We aim to provide person-centred, coordinated care to all people who use our services. This means you can always expect us to:

- Be polite and respectful to you
- Respect your confidentiality
- Let you know who we are and what we do
- Communicate clearly and openly with you in the way that you need us to
- Respond to phone calls, emails and letters quickly
- Ensure that you only need to tell your story when you choose
- Ensure that we take into account your mental, physical and social needs
- Be informed and prepared for appointments with you and have read your notes

- Work with you as an active and equal partner, jointly agreeing your care plan to include your personal goals and wishes
- Support you to support yourself where possible
- Involve and listen to carers involved in your care
- Involve service users and carers in service planning and evaluation
- If we don't know how to help initially, we will explore other options and get back to you quickly

We value our staff and support them to provide high-quality whole-person care, including mental and physical health, social care and wellbeing. We will work with service users and carers to build mutually respectful and trusting relationships. This includes keeping appointments, exploring self-management (when appropriate) and giving constructive feedback.



THT Programme Management

- Leads the User and Stakeholder Focus workstream which brings together THT engagement leads, Healthwatch, the voluntary and community sector, patients and carers to coordinate and share good practice
- Analysed over 100 local activities to understand what's happening locally (see Ladder of Participation and Involvement)
- Ensured resident voice in the development of the new community health services contract
- Explored the development of a 'stakeholder council' to test the difficult decisions
- Worked with Healthwatch to deliver 'Your Voice Counts' events across the borough
- Discovered what residents want from services to create the 'I' statements of the outcomes framework
- Budget: 30k per annum



Current position across the Trust

- Patient experience framework in place
- Patient experience leads at site and corporate level
- New partner for patient feedback procured
- Wealth of intelligence on the experience of patients at Bart's Health
- A range of initiatives in place to develop our approach to engagement in place including the Collaborative Boards and collaborative pairs programmes

Experienced based co-design methodology in place to support quality improvement

Analysis of patient experience data

- Good working relationships with external stakeholders
- Patients involved in research trials
- Duty of Candour embedded in our culture of safety
- Patient stories & narrative on Board & key leadership meetings
- Investment in advocacy, patient information & inclusion indicates delivery sensitive to multi-cultural environment
- Large proactive volunteers service with new strategy being developed to increase impact and reach

Working towards good and outstanding

We will be taking our strategy forward to ensure:

- Patient and public involvement will be embedded in our organisational governance and in the work we do with partners in the wider health and social care partnership
- Our framework for patient experience and engagement will be embedded consistently across the organisation and we will use triangulated patient experience information consistently and will be able to demonstrate that feedback and engagement is driving improvement
- Patient feedback informs all of our quality improvement initiatives and service improvement projects and patients are partners in our quality improvement collaborative and on our clinical boards
- Maximise opportunities for research and new approaches working with patients that reflect our unique population
- Sensitive multi-media approach to engagement with positive results across age ranges, cultural, family & community needs



Barts Health at Royal London (RLH) and Mile End hospitals

- Working Together Group
- Alliance Partnership Board
- An increasingly active Patient Panel since February 2017
- Patient panel engagement events including Open Day, Behcets Awareness Day, Friends and Family Test procurement

Page 48 Dementia friendly space initiative on the 14th floor with user engagement in design

New RLH Patient Experience Operational Group to triangulate the experience data and improvement actions - with Inclusion Team and patient and Healthwatch representation

- Working with Healthwatch
 - Revised pattern of enter and views with a designated site lead to co-ordinate
 - Bi-monthly meeting with Director of Nursing, including discussion of a new list of patient leader projects
 - Member of maternity partnership board.
 - Quarterly meetings with Trust CEO and Chief Nurse, with patient experience sub-groups
- PALS now a site based and managed service for local resolution
- Budget: across Barts Health numerous corporate and site-based staff have explicit engagement responsibilities so the budget is in excess of £100k, though the organisation encourages all teams to build patient engagement into their business as usual work



East London Foundation Trust

- People Participation Team, sits outside of Patient Experience
- Borough and Community Health PP Leads (with Newham)
- Working Together Group
- Training for staff, both internal and external
- Service User/Carer involvement in Quality Improvement, interview panels and staff appraisals
- Collaborative service development
- Representation at internal and external meetings and steering groups
- ‘Expert by Experience’ research, audits and inspections
- Co-facilitation of groups and co-production of conferences and awaydays
- Co-produced Recovery College and employment of Peer Support Workers
- Reward and Recognition policy
- Budget: 59k per annum (People Participation staffing costs only)

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East London Foundation Trust

Examples of successful participation and involvement

- **Collaboration between the Working Together Group, ELFT and Barts Health to design a Hopewall in a place of safety room at the Royal London Hospital**
- **All Tower Hamlets Recovery College courses are co-produced by both 'experts by experience' and professionals resulting in shared learning and also encourages links to the community**
- **The Trust aims to identify all veterans of the Armed Forces and their families and improve services as a result of the involvement of a veteran in the Working Together Group**



The GP Care Group

- Patient Experience Team (PET) based at Mile End Hospital and Network Manager as engagement lead
- Discovery interview team of paid staff and volunteers undertake interviews with service users and carers to drive service improvement and development = able to resolve issues quickly while addressing systemic problems with frontline teams and share the learning across partners
- PET undertake whole systems reviews to understand patient experience across pathways
- Patient Participation Groups in 35/37 GP practices
- National GP Patient Survey
- Education and awareness events at network and locality level in community settings
- Patient surveys e.g. diabetes, surgical after-care and extended hours
- Budget: 108k per annum



The GP Care Group

An example how patient feedback has contributed to service development:

- The Admissions Avoidance and Discharge (AADS) Team provides clearer written information about the purpose and duration of their input
- The AADS team have liaised with the pre admissions team at RLH to ensure that all planned admissions are screened for anticipated support required on discharge
- Improved communication about anticipated lateness of planned visits by Community Nurses
- Visits by team members who are known to individual service users and families wherever possible, particularly those with cognitive impairment



Tower Hamlets CCG

- Engagement lead as part of Corporate Affairs Team and Lay Member for Patient and Public Engagement on Board
- Patient Leaders Programme
- Community Commissioning Panel
- Innovation bursary projects
- Patient stories at governing body meetings
- Commissions voluntary and community sector groups to carry out engagement with key groups
- Budget: 102k per annum



LB Tower Hamlets Health & Social Care

- Community Engagement & Quality Officer (Health, Adults & Community Services and Children's Services) and Corporate Community Engagement Team – supported by broad range of council staff also undertaking engagement
- 'Communities Driving Change' priority of Health and Wellbeing Strategy
- Community Insights Network with community researchers
- Surveys & feedback questionnaires - seeking views on services and insight on health and wellbeing for adults, carers, children and young people
- Wide range of health and care related forums and reference groups to engage on key issues, concerns and service development and improvement
- Community Engagement Strategy and development of co-production framework
- Budget: 155k per annum (staffing costs for posts focused mainly on engagement)



Next steps

- **Involve local people in the new integrated care life course workstreams**
 - **Born Well and Growing Well**
 - **Living Well**
 - **Ageing Well**

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• **Building on the work to date creating a ‘Centre of Excellence’ to advise and consult, promote innovation, leadership, training and reflect on learning**

- **Strengthen collaboration and learning – with Healthwatch, the voluntary and community sector, other partners and residents**



The future: after using Tower Hamlets Together services we want residents to be able to say...

Around me

- I feel safe from harm in my community
- I play an active part in my community
- I am able to breathe cleaner air in the place where I live
- I am able to support myself and my family financially
- I am supported to make healthy choices
- I am satisfied with my home and where I live
- My children get the best possible start in life

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My doctors, nurses, social workers and other staff

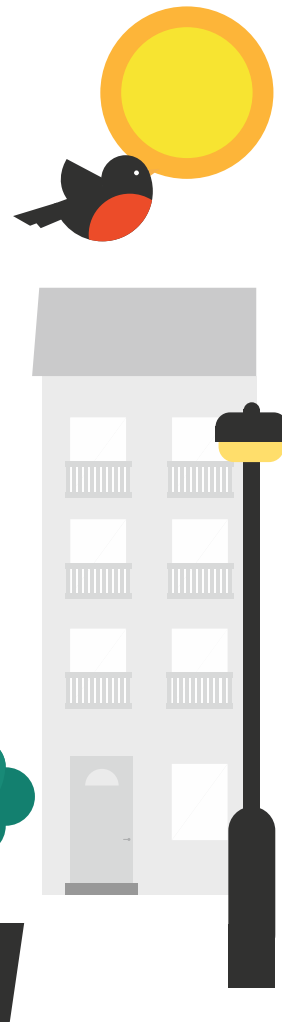
- I am confident that those providing my care are competent, happy and kind
- I am able to access safe and high quality services (when I need them)
- I want to see money is being spent in the best way to deliver local services
- I feel like services work together to provide me with good care

Me

- I understand the ways to live a healthy life
- I have a good level of happiness and wellbeing
- Regardless of who I am, I am able to access care services for my physical and mental health
- I have a positive experience of the services I use, overall
- I am supported to live the life I want

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- I believe the trust, confidence and relationships are in place to work together with services to decide the right next steps for us as a whole community



Questions?


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<p>Report of: Tower Hamlets GP Care Group CIC</p>	
<p>Community Health Service (Alliance Agreement) Progress Update</p>	

<p>Originating Officer(s)</p>	<p>Chris Banks, Chief Executive Tower Hamlets GP Care Group CIC</p>
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1. Summary

In April 2017 an alliance partnership agreement to deliver community health services was signed between three local healthcare providers: Tower Hamlets GP Care Group Community Interest Company (CIC), Barts Health NHS Trust, and East London NHS Foundation Trust (ELFT).

The partnership enables local GPs to work much closer with hospital and community trusts to offer patients more joined up health services across the borough and reduce duplication. This report outlines the aims of the agreement and provides a performance update to the Sub-Committee following the agreements first year of operation.

2. Recommendations:

The HSC Committee is recommended to:

- Note the report and presentation, and identify ways the agreement could improve as it moves into the second year of implementation.

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Barriers to meeting Population need that we are trying to address

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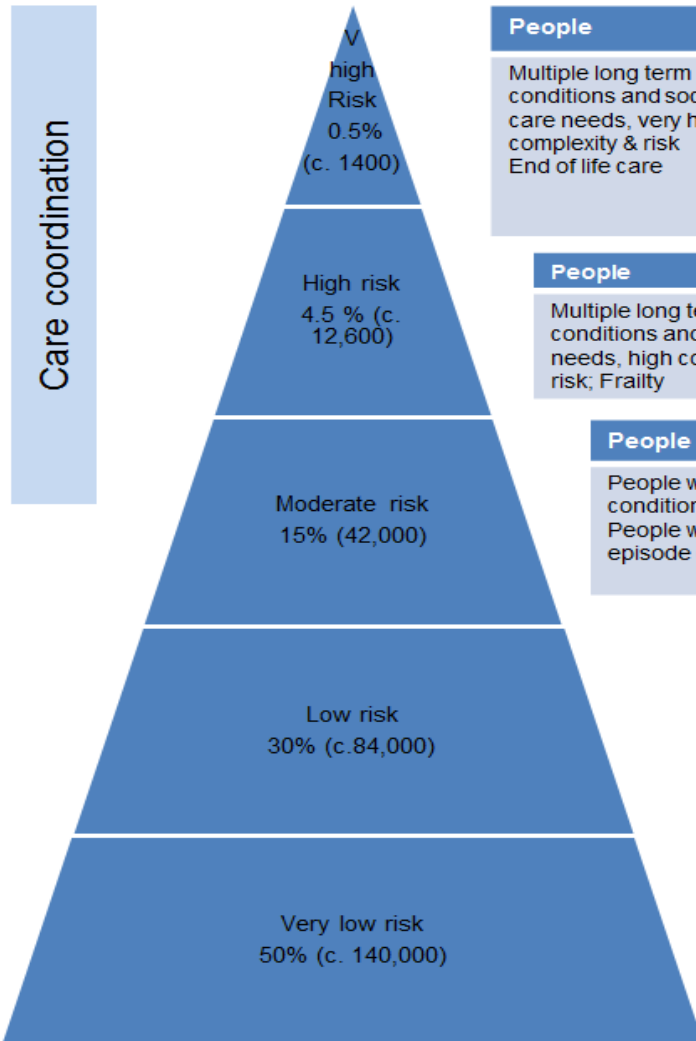
Challenges we face:

- **Siloed workforce** with separations between the staff working for the different services getting in the way of integrated working and a unified culture
- **Siloed organisations** with different ownership, payment mechanisms and regulators leading to misaligned incentives and targets, and causing fragmented delivery from front-line staff
- **Insufficiently integrated IT systems and limited access to data** meaning staff can't access the information they need
- **Separate budgets** by provider/ care areas meaning we don't get the best value from our allocation of resources and efforts are duplicated
- **Disjointed transformation efforts** not aligned where the need is greatest
- **Inflexible contract mechanism** meaning limited ability to drive change within an annual cycle
- **Funding is limited and diminishing** while the needs of our population are growing

Population experience:

- People tell their story multiple times, and experience a **fragmented patient journey**
- 60% of **people die in hospital**, despite most wanting to die at home
- **High death rates and morbidity** related to long term conditions, premature death rates from cancer among highest in country
- Unnecessarily high rates of **acute hospital admission**, especially A&E
- There are **large variations** in the quality of care received even in the same setting
- **50% of children are malnourished**
- Inefficiencies in the system result in **additional burden and waste to the taxpayer**

Model of care for adults with complex needs



People	Process	Typical Interventions	Typical CC
Multiple long term conditions and social care needs, very high complexity & risk End of life care	MDT assessment Care plan Allocated care coordinator Review Rapid Response	Case management Person centred care planning Tertiary prevention Carer support Social prescribing	Professional lead, e.g. DN, RMN etc.

People	Process	Typical Interventions	Typical CC
Multiple long term conditions and social care needs, high complexity & risk; Frailty	Care plan Review Care navigation	Tertiary prevention Person centred care planning Carer support Self-management; social prescribing	GP

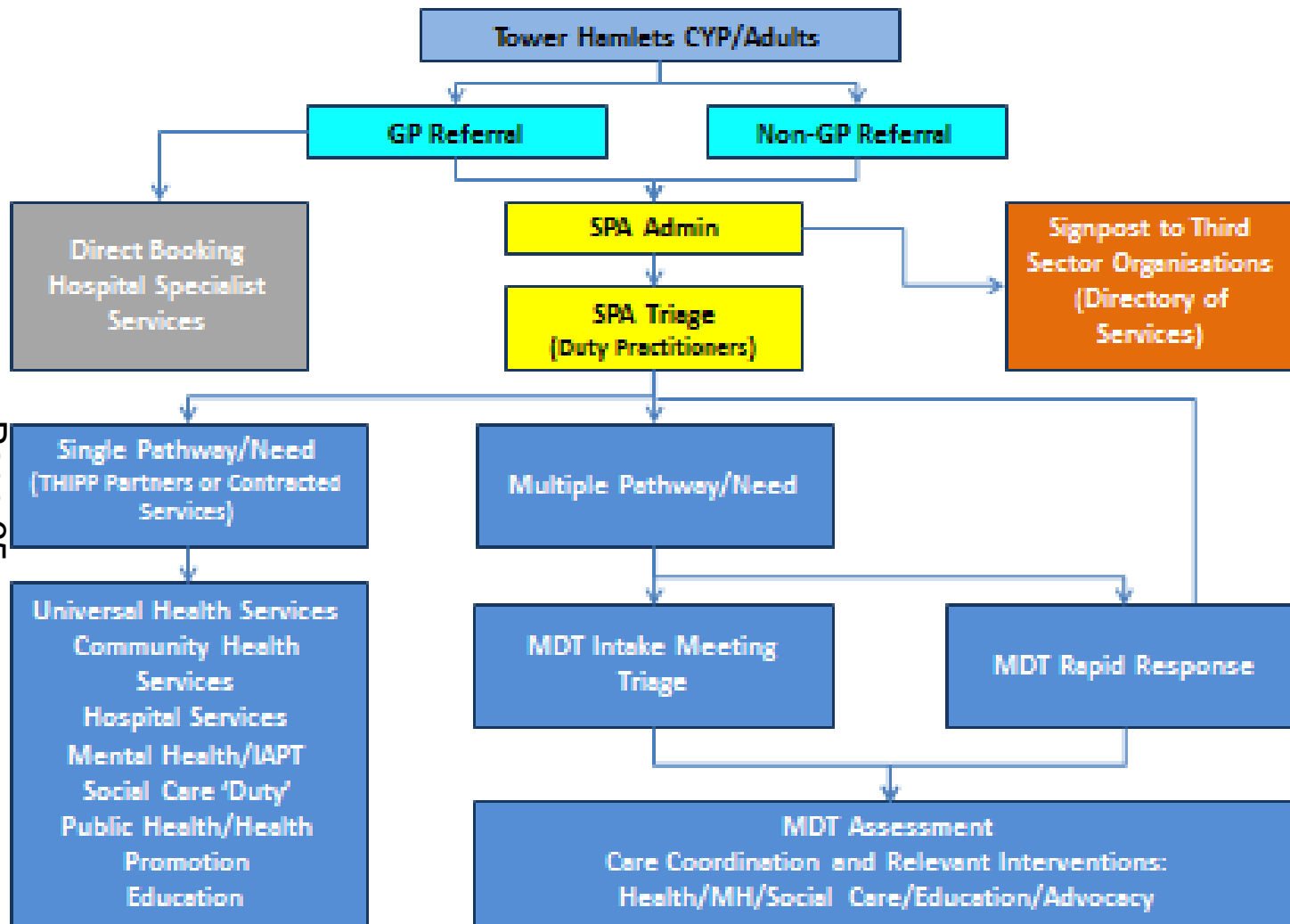
People	Process	Intervention	Typical CC
People with one long term condition People with a single episode of care	Care plan Review	Secondary prevention Self-management Social prescribing	GP

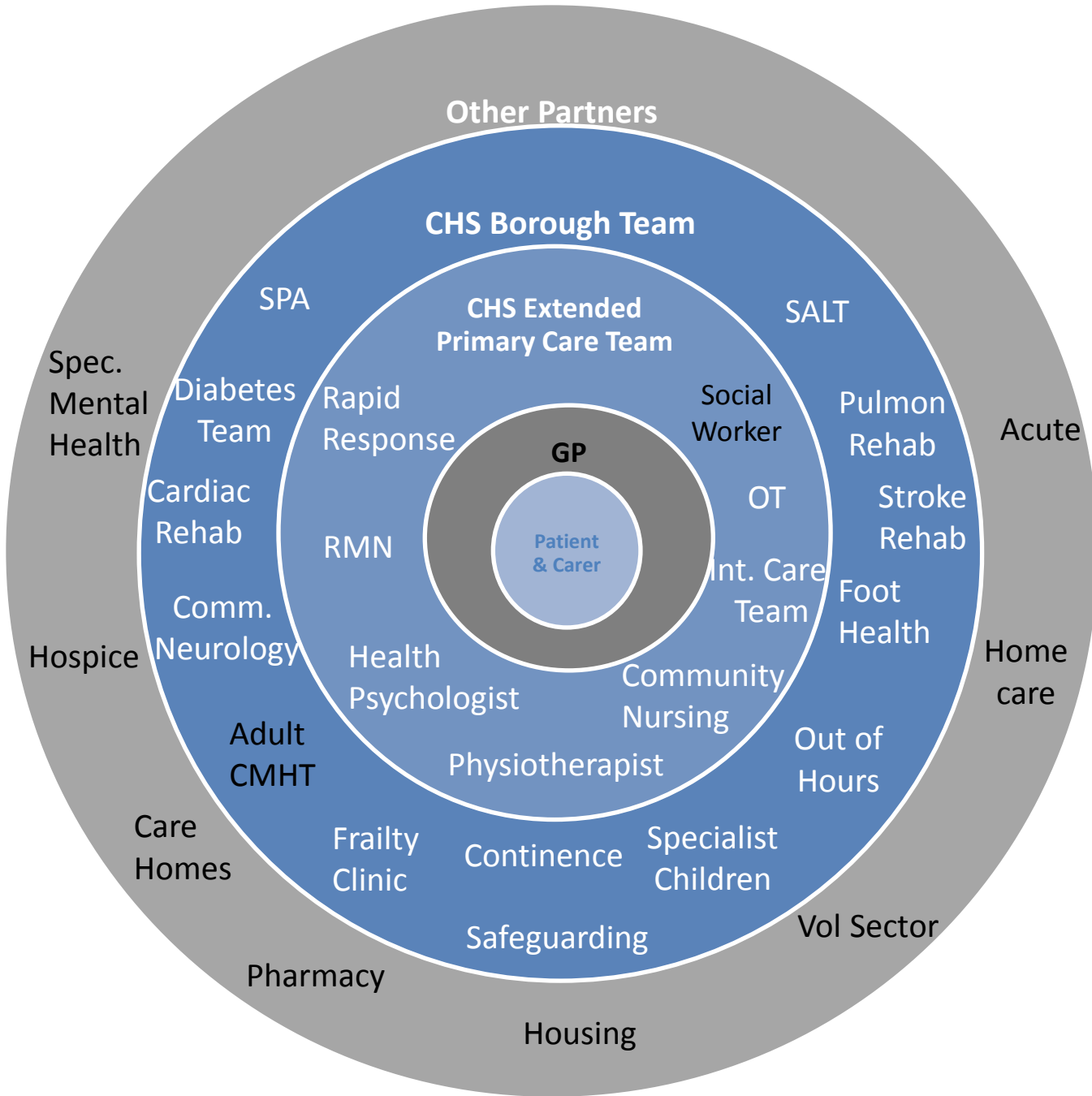
People	Process	Typical Intervention
People with risky lifestyle factors	Self care	Primary prevention Social prescribing

The delivery model

- A single point of access for all health and social care services
- Extended “whole person care” primary care teams
- A new integrated community rehabilitation service
- A new rapid access integrated frailty assessment service
- A new model for complex children’s services, provided from one site, with the aim of developing a comprehensive integrated delivery model for children
- Specialist services for adults working across acute and community
- IT that works, with mobile working fully rolled out
- Promoting prevention and self-care, including through social prescribing and a wellbeing hub.

Single Point of Access Pathway





Values

Proactive
case-finding

Assessment

Rapid
response

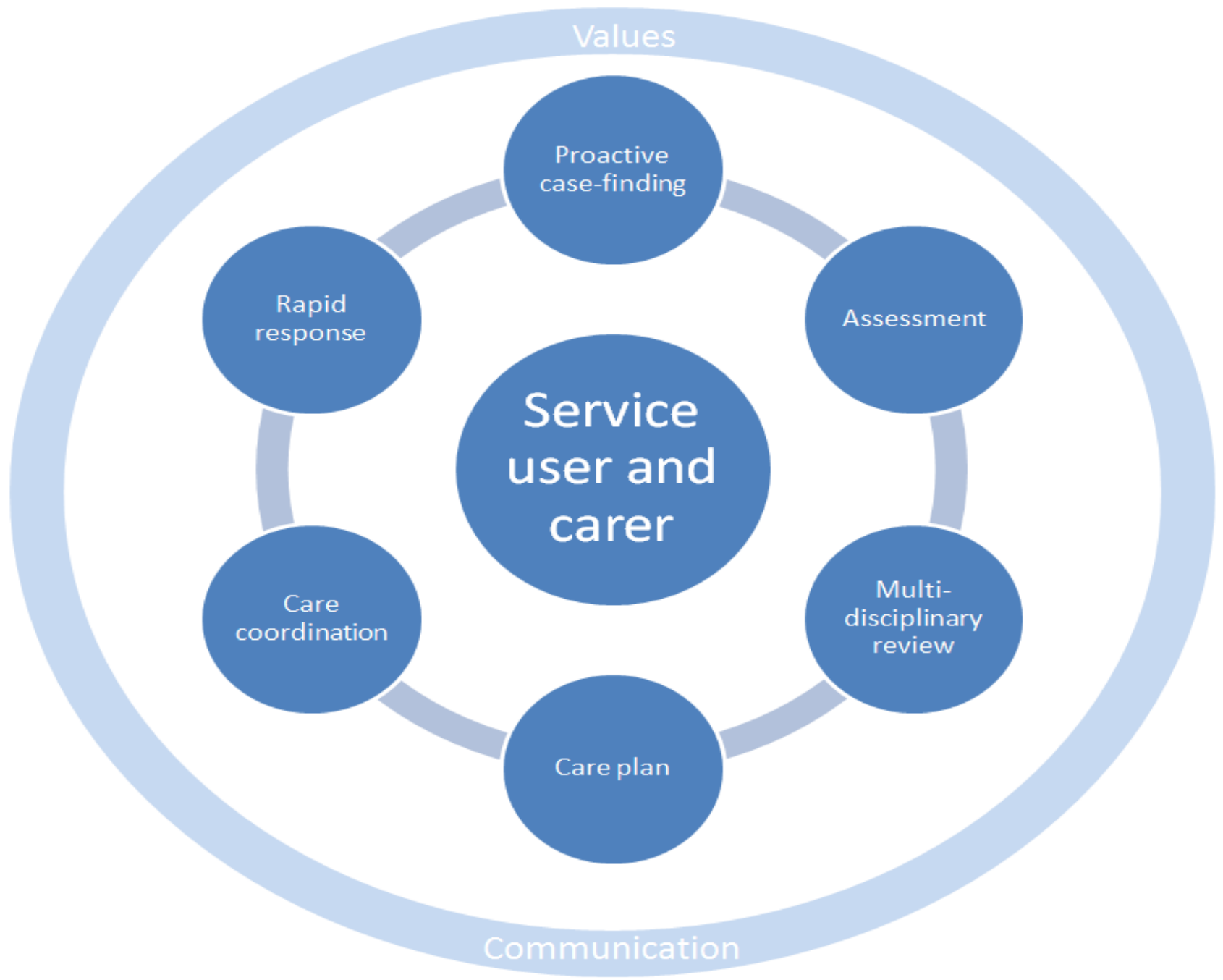
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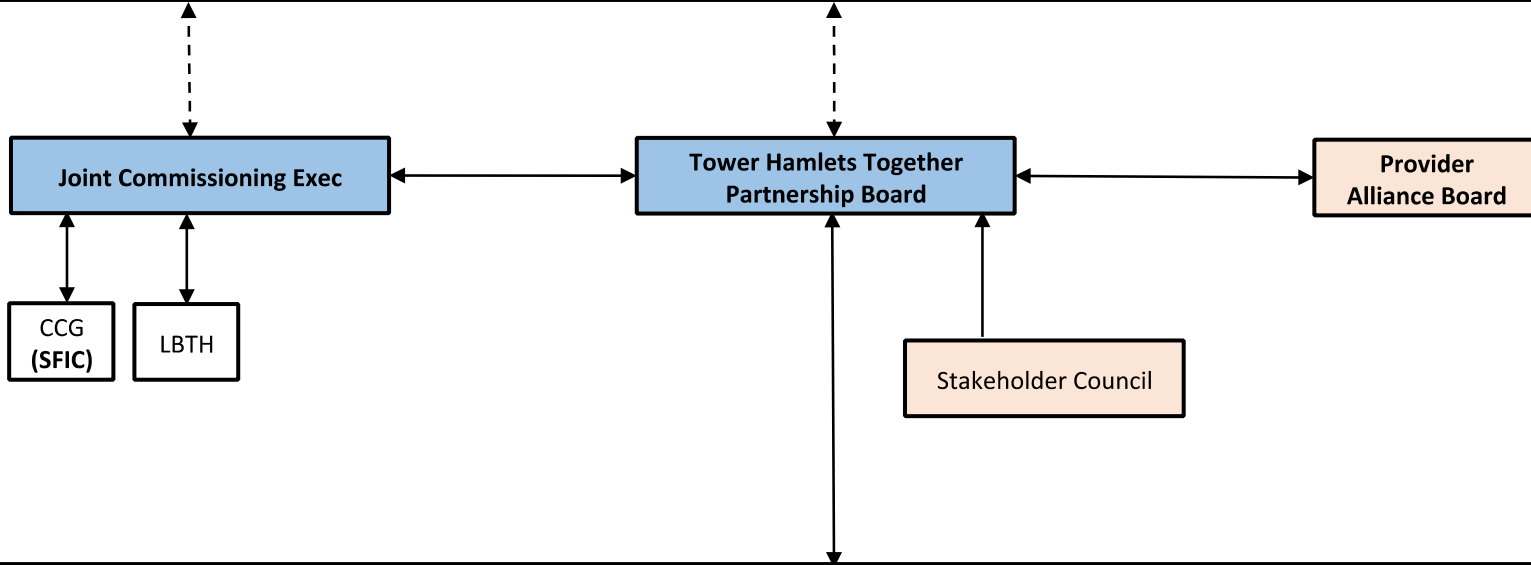
Care plan

Communication



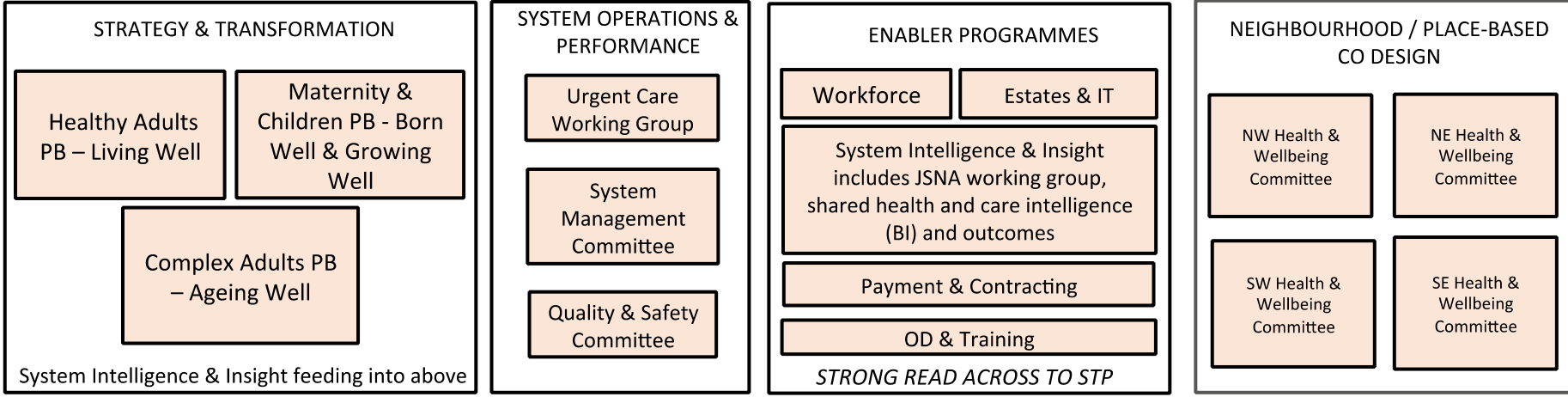


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Alliance Partner Responsibilities

GP CARE: SYSTEM COORDINATION

Single point of access

GP Out of Hours

Patient Experience Team

Health Advocacy

ELFT: BOROUGH TEAMS

Frailty Assessment Clinic

Rapid Response Team

Community Intermediate Care

Continuing Healthcare Team

Foot health

Contenance Team

District Nursing Evening Service

The Frailty Assessment Clinic, Rapid Response and Community Intermediate Care Teams will include existing mental health workers via the MH contract.

ELFT: LOCALITY ENHANCED PRIMARY CARE TEAMS (EPCTS)

NW EPCT

NE EPCT

SW EPCT

SE EPCT

The EPCT will include existing mental health workers via the MH contract.

Each specialist/children's service will have named locality links where capacity allows.

Each locality will have a linked public health advisor, and social work leadership.

BH: SPECIALIST SERVICES

Cardiac Team

Respiratory Team

Diabetes Team

Stroke Rehabilitation Team

Community Neuro Team

Audiology Team

MSK Team

Dietetics

Sexual Health

BH: CHILDREN'S SERVICES

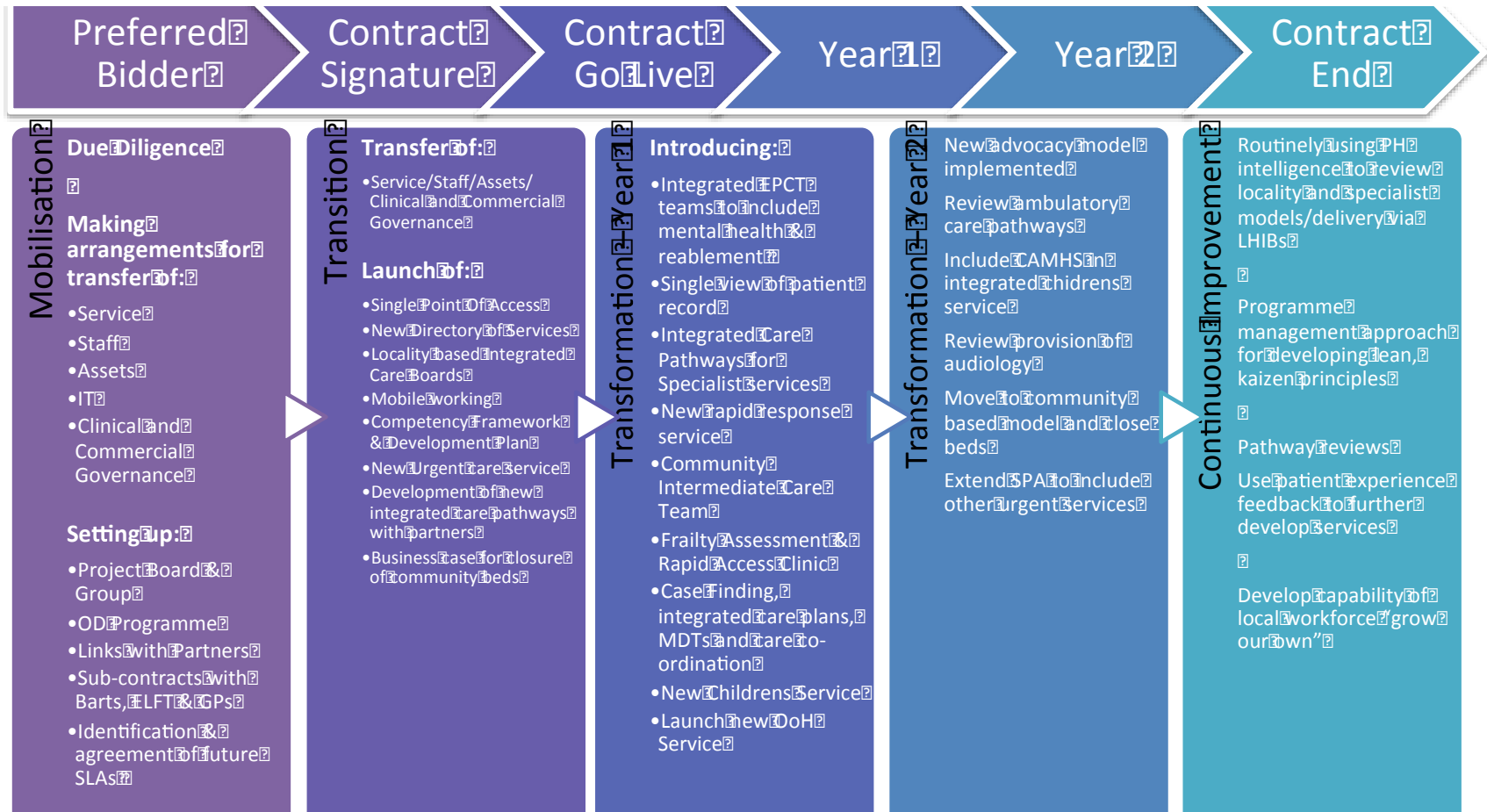
Early Years MDT

Primary and Secondary School Years MDT

Adolescence and Transition MDT

STATUTORY
Safeguarding
Looked After Children and Adoption
Special Education Needs
Child Death Overview

Transformation plan



Impact

- Greater support for self management
- Improved links with community services and more patients managed in the community
- Change in staff bases, rationalisation of desks/offices, mobile working
- Patients have greater influence in service design and delivery
- More responsive support to avoid admission
- Care co-ordination – identified care co-ordinator, joint MDTs, shared care planning
- Increased role of Locality Boards to plan & manage local population health

Contract Structure and Payment


- The contract is for 5 + 2 years.
- GPCG, Barts Health and ELFT all have contracts directly with the CCG for the elements they deliver.
- There is an Alliance Agreement and an Alliance Board comprising of the three providers and the CCG.
- GPCG is the Alliance Manager and has a co-ordinating role to support the delivery of the model and the associated outcomes.
- The contract is outcomes based with 5% increasing to 25% of the contract value dependent on the achievement of a range of PROMs, PREMs and process based proxies for outcomes

Next steps - emerging plans to expand the alliance (1)

- The CHS alliance arrangements were a pragmatic answer to issues arising in the mobilisation and due diligence of the CHS contract, that meant a prime provider model was not deemed sustainable
- The alliance is in effect an overarching contract/MOU that sets expectations and rules as to how the GP Care Group, Barts and ELFT, and the CCG, work together to deliver the CHS contract
- One benefit of an alliance model is that it can be flexed in terms of scope and scale with agreement of all parties.
- Tower Hamlets Together has explicitly recognised that this could provide the basis upon which an accountable care system of provision could be based

Next steps - emerging plans to expand the alliance (2)

- The current alliance contract oversees the delivery of CHS only
- The CHS bid and emergent service model is explicit about the links it must have with other providers and services in order to deliver high quality community based integrated care for Tower Hamlets residents
- This is in line with a long standing strategic objective of the CCG and LBTH to achieve greater integration of services
- The CCG currently has limited levers to achieve this in the short to medium term for other CCG commissioned services (procurement), and no levers for health and social care integration
- An alliance model allows for services and budgets to be included in the alliance, whilst maintaining the existing bilateral arrangements with the CCG
- The THT Board allows for joint strategic planning but is not a vehicle for integrated delivery of services. The alliance could provide that.
- It is clear from emerging national policy that there is an accelerated move towards a) health and social care integration and b) the development of accountable care

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<p>Report of: Tower Hamlets Clinical Commissioning Group</p>	
<p>NHSE consultation on conditions for which over the counter items should not be prescribed in primary care</p>	

<p>Originating Officer(s)</p>	<p>Samantha Buckland Prescribing Adviser NEL Commissioning Support Unit</p>
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Summary

Following the NHS England consultation on items of low/limited clinical value which should not be routinely prescribed in primary care in 2017; the decision was taken to further consult about conditions for which over the counter items should not be routinely prescribed in primary care. The consultation launched on 20th December 2017 and closes on 14th March 2018.

The full consultation guidance can be accessed at the links below:

- <https://www.engage.england.nhs.uk/consultation/over-the-counter-items-not-routinely-prescribed/> - main NHSE webpage
- https://www.engage.england.nhs.uk/consultation/over-the-counter-items-not-routinely-prescribed/user_uploads/otc-guidance-2.pdf - official consultation guidance document
- https://www.engage.england.nhs.uk/++preview++/consultation/over-the-counter-items-not-routinely-prescribed/user_uploads/otc-ehi-analysis-form.pdf - national impact and equality analysis (NB: a local THCCG analysis will be completed)
- <https://www.engage.england.nhs.uk/consultation/over-the-counter-items-not-routinely-prescribed/consultation/intro/> - link to the online feedback form. Questions from the online form are listed in appendix 4 of the guidance document.

A summary paper of the 35 minor/self-limiting conditions and their recommendations with the known cost per 1000 patients data for TH CCG is enclosed, along with an appendix showing the graphical comparison data with other CCGs.

It is important to note that TH CCG has not previously conducted a local consultation on restricting OTC medicines. Therefore a local consultation will be run to coincide with the national consultation such that any impact assessment and decisions made on restricting prescribing will take into account any local factors such as deprivation or vulnerable groups. A communications and engagement plan, in conjunction with NELCSU, has been developed and is fully underway to ensure all patient groups, healthcare organisations, vulnerable or at risk groups, MPs and other affected

parties are consulted with.

Nationally in the year prior to June 2017 the NHS spent approx. £569 million on prescriptions for minor conditions, which could otherwise be purchased over-the-counter from a pharmacy and/or other outlets such as petrol stations or supermarkets. This consultation focuses on £136 million that could be potentially saved from those prescriptions as listed below.

These prescriptions include items for conditions:

- Considered as self-limiting do does not need treatment
- Lends itself to self-care so could manage by purchasing over the counter items

Or items:

- That can be purchased over the counter at a lower acquisition cost that would be incurred by the NHS (from A&E attendance, GP appointment time, Dispensing costs etc)
- For which there is little evidence of clinical effectiveness.

There are general exclusion criteria on p9 of the consultation document.

CCGs asked for a nationally co-ordinated approach to develop guidance to ensure consistency and to address unwarranted variation.

Key issues locally:

- Encouraging full THCCG and partners plus public engagement with both local and national consultation
- How this may affect future patient pathways (particularly as there is an additional consultation until 21st February 2018 on draft NICE guidance on community pharmacy promoting health and wellbeing due for full publication in August 2018)
- Impact on future of Pharmacy First and similar commissioned minor ailment services
- Impact on and potential support for vulnerable groups not explicitly mentioned in the consultation such as schools (medication policies), care homes (homely remedies), homeless (access to medicines)
- Support for prescribers
- Potential of encouraging positive messages around self-care and wider accessibility to advice or treatment
- Risks of any media attention locally

Recommendations:

The HSC Committee is recommended to:

1. Read the [consultation](#) in line with NHSE requirement for consultation to be discussed at a local overview and scrutiny committee.
2. Respond as an organisation if conclude there is a need to via the online survey available at <https://www.engage.england.nhs.uk/consultation/over-the->

[counter-items-not-routinely-prescribed/consultation/intro/](#) or written responses can be sent to england.medicines@nhs.net before 14th March 2018.

3. Encourage affected local patients and public to respond to the consultation
4. Encourage local healthcare professional colleagues and/or local partnership patient/public organisations to respond either individually or as local organisations to the consultation
5. Follow the public media releases from THCCG and share widely

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Over the counter medicines consultation

Samantha Buckland, Prescribing Adviser

Agenda



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- Overall objectives for the work
- The proposals for commissioning guidance on conditions for which over the counter items should not routinely be prescribed in primary care.
- What TH CCG is doing now
- Questions

Overall objective of the work



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Prioritise limited NHS funding

The medicines spend is the second largest spend, after staffing costs, for the NHS – a total of £16.8bn across England in 2015/16, an increase of 29.1% from £13bn in 2010/11.

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Smarter use of resources means greater funding for other high priority areas that have an impact for patients, support improvements in services and deliver transformation.

Support the principle of self-care

Empowering people with the confidence and information to look after themselves gives people greater control of their health and encourages behaviour that helps prevent ill health in the long-term

Overall objective of the work



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Reducing demand on general practice

It is estimated that there are 57 million GP consultations nationally a year for minor conditions at a total cost to the NHS of £2 billion. These appointments take up an average of one hour a day for every GP.

Addressing increased price and other costs

The costs to the NHS for many of these products is inflated beyond the prices for which they can be purchased over-the-counter and include further hidden costs, including prescribing dispensing and administration costs.

Overall objective of the work



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Reducing Variation

Many CCGs are considering or have already implemented policies to reduce spend on items that can be purchased over the counter - having national support from NHS England for local decision making in this area would ensure consistency across the country

How were the proposals developed?



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NHS England and NHSCC previously consulted on *items which should not be routinely prescribed in primary care*

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That initial consultation sought views generally on the principle of restricting the prescribing of medicines which are readily available over the counter. An initial list of 26 minor or self-limiting conditions where prescribing restrictions could be considered were identified.

Feedback was generally supportive (65% agreed) so proposals for consultation were developed.

They consulted their clinical working group on proposed approach and, based on their guidance, mapped OTC items to the minor conditions for which they are typically prescribed. **They refined their approach to propose prescribing restrictions based on condition rather than item name or formulation**

How were the proposals developed?



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The OTC items prescribed by the NHS were analysed using data from the NHS Business Services Authority (year prior to June 2017 data) which showed that approximately £569m was spent on OTC medicines.

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They analysed the medicines falling within the top 90% of OTC spend, to identify how the medicines could be classified according to the conditions for which they might be prescribed (as per their licensed indications).

They estimate that restricting prescribing for ‘minor’ conditions may save up to £136m once all discounts and clawbacks have been accounted for.

Minor Conditions for which prescriptions could potentially be restricted



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Conditions

Self-limiting illnesses:

1. Acute Sore Throat
2. Cold Sores
3. Conjunctivitis
4. Coughs and colds and nasal congestion
5. Cradle Cap (Seborrhoeic dermatitis – infants)
6. Haemorrhoids
7. Infant Colic
8. Mild Cystitis

Minor illnesses suitable for self-care:

9. Contact Dermatitis
10. Dandruff
11. Diarrhoea (Adults)
12. Dry Eyes/Sore tired Eyes
13. Earwax
14. Excessive sweating (Hyperhidrosis)
15. Head lice
16. Indigestion and Heartburn
17. Infrequent Migraine.
18. Infrequent constipation

Conditions

19. Insect bites and stings
20. Mild Acne
21. Mild Dry Skin/Sunburn
22. Mild to Moderate Hay fever/Allergic Rhinitis
23. Minor burns and scalds
24. Minor conditions associated with pain, discomfort and/fever. (e.g. aches and sprains, headache, period pain, back pain)
25. Mouth ulcers
26. Nappy Rash
27. Oral Thrush
28. Prevention of dental caries
29. Ringworm/Athletes foot
30. Teething/Mild toothache
31. Threadworms
32. Travel Sickness
33. Warts and Verrucae

Items:

- Probiotics
Vitamins and Minerals.

These minor conditions/items can be grouped into three...



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- An item of limited clinical evidence of effectiveness;
- A condition that is self-limiting and does not require medical advice or treatment as it will clear up on its own, however some patients may wish to purchase over the counter medicines for symptomatic relief.
- A condition that is a minor ailment and is suitable for self-care and treatment with items that can easily be purchased over the counter from a pharmacy.

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- They consulted their clinical working group on proposed approach and the guidance for consultation was developed.
- NHS England proposes to make one of the following three recommendations for each condition (or item):
 - Advise CCGs to support prescribers in advising patients that **[item]** should not be routinely prescribed in primary care due to **limited evidence of clinical effectiveness**.
 - Advise CCGs to support prescribers in advising patients that a prescription for treatment of **[condition]** should not routinely be offered in primary care as the condition is **self-limiting and will clear up on its own** without the need for treatment.
 - Advise CCGs to support prescribers in advising patients that a prescription for treatment of **[condition]** should not routinely be offered in primary care as the condition is **appropriate for self-care**.

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- It is important to note that this guidance focuses on restricting prescribing for the conditions outlined, not on the restriction of prescribing for individual items.
- It is also intended to encourage people to self-care for minor illnesses as the first stage of treatment.
- Clinicians should continue to prescribe, taking account of NICE guidance as appropriate:
 - for the treatment of long term conditions (e.g. regular pain relief for chronic arthritis or treatments for inflammatory bowel disease),
 - for the treatment of more complex forms of minor illnesses (e.g. severe migraines that are unresponsive to over the counter medicines)
 - for those patients that have symptoms that suggest the condition is not minor (i.e. those with red flag symptoms such as cough lasting longer than three weeks.)

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- The following groups of patients should also continue to have their treatments prescribed on the NHS:
 - Treatment for complex patients (e.g. immunosuppressed patients).
 - Patients on treatments that are only available on prescription.
 - Patients prescribed OTC products to treat an adverse effect or symptom of a more complex illness and/or a prescription only medication.

General Exceptions



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- **Prescriptions for the conditions listed in this guidance should also continue to be issued on the NHS for:**
 - Circumstances where the product licence doesn't allow the product to be sold over the counter to certain groups of patients. Patients with a minor condition suitable for self-care that has not responded sufficiently to treatment with an OTC product.
 - Patients where the clinician considers that the presenting symptom is due to a condition that would not be considered a minor ailment.
 - Circumstances where the prescriber believes that in their clinical judgement, exceptional circumstances exist that warrant deviation from the recommendation to self-care.
 - Patients where the clinician considers that their ability to self-manage is compromised as a consequence of social, medical or mental health vulnerability to the extent that their health and/or wellbeing could be adversely affected if left to self-care.

Consultation



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- 3 month national public consultation will run from 20th December to 14th March 2018

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- Web consultation survey
 - <https://www.engage.england.nhs.uk/consultation/over-the-counter-items-not-routinely-prescribed/consultation/intro/>
- Range of other face to face and online events.
 - **Face-to-face events**
 - [Monday 5 March \(2 – 4pm\) - London](#)
- Opportunity to provide views on the proposals.

What is TH CCG doing now



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- In order to ensure that the outcomes of the consultation can be implemented swiftly THCCG is undertaking local consultation for implementation of the draft guidance in line with the requirements of the Health and Social Care Act.
- This will allow for a rapid local decision to be made on implementation of the final guidance for each condition when it is planned to be published in April 2018.
- During the national consultation phase, TH CCG can provide a response to the national consultation on the commissioning guidance, based on our own local consultation and engagement activities. This could include but is not limited to:
 - TH CCG's perspective on the guidance;
 - the outcome of any relevant local consultations; and/or
 - feedback from local engagement with patient participation groups, local community groups representing people with protected characteristics, Healthwatch and discussion with the local overview and scrutiny committee of the Local Authority

Reflection on and implementation of consultation outcome



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- Following closure of the consultation, NHS England will feedback to CCGs the summary of responses received allowing an opportunity for reflection and review.

NHS England and NHSCC via the clinical working group will review the responses received and develop finalised clinical commissioning guidance which would be published. The expectation being that CCGs should 'have due regard to' the guidance when making local decisions in accordance with the Health and Social Care Act. This should be available in **April**.

- Individual CCGs will make a local decision on whether to implement the national clinical commissioning guidance, with due regard to both local circumstances and their own impact assessments.

Summary of NHSE's recommendations for the 35 minor and/or self-limiting conditions which should not be routinely prescribed in primary care with Tower Hamlets CCG cost per 1000 pts where known.

Condition	Cost per 1000 pts in THCCG Aug – Oct 2017 (where known)	Category	Rationale	Recommendation	Exceptions
1 Probiotics	£3 (Btm 50% of CCGs)	A	Insufficient evidence to support prescribing for the treatment or prevention of diarrhoea of any cause	Should not be routinely prescribed in primary care	ACBS approved indication or as per any local policy
2 Vitamins and minerals	£45 (Top 50% of CCGs – 16 th highest CCG)	A	<p>Insufficient high quality evidence to demonstrate clinical effectiveness of vitamins and minerals.</p> <p>In most cases dietary supplementation is unnecessary – can be obtained through healthy, varied and balanced diet.</p> <p>Many supplements are classified as foods and not medicines, therefore not protected by MHRA strict criteria to confirm quality, safety and efficacy.</p>	<p>Any prescribing not in-line with exceptions should be discontinued.</p> <p>Should not be routinely prescribed in primary care.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Iron deficiency anaemia Demonstrated vitamin D deficiency (does not include maintenance) Calcium & Vit D for osteoporosis Malnutrition including alcoholism (as per NICE guidance) Patients suitable to receive Healthy Start vitamins for pregnancy or children between the ages 6m to 4th birthday
3 Acute sore throat		B	<p>A sore throat due to viral or bacterial cause is self-limiting.</p> <p>There is little evidence to suggest that</p>	Prescription for treatment of acute sore throat should not be routinely offered in primary care as	None identified

				treatments such as lozenges and throat sprays help to treat the cause.	condition is self-limiting and will clear up on its own without need for treatment.	
4	Cold sores	£2 (Btm 50% of CCGs)	B	<p>Cold sores caused by the herpes simplex virus usually clear up without treatment within 7-10 days.</p> <p><i>This guidance does not apply to complex patients (i.e. immunocompromised patients)</i></p>	Prescription for treatment of cold sores should not be routinely offered in primary care as condition is self-limiting and will clear up on its own without need for treatment.	None identified
5	Conjunctivitis	£92 (Top 50% of CCGs – 2 nd highest CCG)	B	<p>Treatment isn't usually needed as the symptoms usually clear within a week. Almost half of all simple cases clear up within ten days without need for treatment.</p> <p>Several self-care measures that help with symptoms.</p> <p>If treatment is needed, then it is dependent on the cause.</p>	Prescription for treatment of conjunctivitis should not be routinely offered in primary care as condition is self-limiting and will clear up on its own without need for treatment.	None identified
6	Coughs, colds, nasal congestion	£2 (Btm 50% of CCGs)	B	<p>Most colds start to improve within 7-10 days. Most coughs clear up within 2-3 weeks. Both conditions can cause nasal congestion. Neither condition requires any treatment.</p>	Prescription for treatment of coughs, colds and nasal congestion should not be routinely offered in primary care as condition is self-limiting and will clear up on its own without need for treatment.	None identified
7	Cradle Cap (Seborrhoeic dermatitis – infants)		B	<p>Cradle cap is harmless and doesn't usually itch or cause discomfort. Appears in babies in the first two months and clears up without treatment within weeks to a few months.</p>	Prescription for treatment of cradle cap should not be routinely offered in primary care as condition is self-limiting and will clear up on its own without need for treatment.	None identified

8	Haemorrhoids	£9 (Top 50% of CCGs – 3 rd highest CCG)	B	Often clear up by themselves after a few days. Making simple dietary changes and not straining on the toilet recommended first. Treatments to reduce itching and discomfort and these are available over the counter for purchase.	Prescription for treatment of haemorrhoids should not be routinely offered in primary care as condition is self-limiting and will clear up on its own without need for treatment.	None identified
9	Infant colic	£1 (Btm 50% of CCGs)	B	Colic eventually improves on its own so medical treatment isn't usually recommended. Limited evidence that treatments available OTC are effective.	Prescription for treatment of infant colic should not be routinely offered in primary care as condition is self-limiting and will clear up on its own without need for treatment.	None identified
10	Mild cystitis		B	Mild cystitis is common type of urinary tract inflammation normally caused by infection, however not a cause for serious concern. Mild cases defined as those responsive to symptomatic treatment but will also clear up on their own. If symptoms don't improve in 3 days, despite self-care measures, then the patient should be advised to see their GP. Products that reduce the acidity of urine to reduce symptoms have lack of evidence to suggest they're effective.	Prescription for treatment of mild cystitis should not be routinely offered in primary care as condition is self-limiting and will clear up on its own without need for treatment.	None identified
11	Contact dermatitis	Eczema = £11 (Btm 50% of CCGs – 4 th lowest CCG) Emollients (OTC) = £597 (Top 50% of CCGs – 10 th highest CCG)	C	Contact dermatitis is a type of eczema triggered by contact with a particular substance. Treatment normally involves avoiding the allergen or irritant and treating symptoms with OTC emollients and topical corticosteroids	Prescription for treatment of contact dermatitis will not be routinely offered in primary care as the condition is appropriate for self-care	No routine exceptions See general exceptions included in consultation document (p9/10)
12	Dandruff		C	Dandruff is common skin condition, not contagious or harmful, easily treated with	Prescription for treatment of dandruff will not be	No routine exceptions

				OTC anti-fungal shampoo. GP appointment is unnecessary.	routinely offered in primary care as the condition is appropriate for self-care	See general exceptions included in consultation document (p9/10)
13	Diarrhoea (adults)	Upset stomach = £254 (Btm 50% of CCGs)	C	Acute diarrhoea usually caused by bacterial or viral infection – other causes includes drugs, anxiety or food allergy. OTC treatment can help replace lost fluids or reduce bowel motions. <i>This recommendation does not apply to children.</i>	Prescription for treatment of acute diarrhoea will not be routinely offered in primary care as the condition is appropriate for self-care	No routine exceptions See general exceptions included in consultation document (p9/10)
14	Dry eyes / sore tired eyes		C	Patients should be encouraged to manage both dry eyes and sore eyes by implementing some self-care measures such as good eyelid hygiene and avoidance of environmental factors alongside treatment. Mild to moderate cases can usually be treated using lubricant eye treatments that can be easily purchased over the counter	Prescription for treatment of dry eyes/sore tired eyes will not be routinely offered in primary care as the condition is appropriate for self-care	No routine exceptions See general exceptions included in consultation document (p9/10)
15	Earwax		C	Earwax usually passes out of the ears harmlessly but sometimes build up and block the ears. Common problem that can be treated using eardrops from a pharmacy.	Prescription for treatment of earwax will not be routinely offered in primary care as the condition is appropriate for self-care	No routine exceptions See general exceptions included in consultation document (p9/10)
16	Excessive sweating (Hyperhidrosis)		C	First line treatment involves simple lifestyle changes. An antiperspirant containing aluminium chloride is usually the first line of treatment and is sold in most pharmacies.	Prescription for high strength antiperspirants for the treatment of mild to moderate hyperhidrosis will not be routinely offered in primary care as the condition is appropriate for self-care	No routine exceptions See general exceptions included in consultation document (p9/10)
17	Head Lice	£14 (Top 50% of CCGs)	C	Head lice can be easily treated with wet combing or OTC medicines purchased from a pharmacy.	Prescription for treatment of head lice will not be routinely offered in	No routine exceptions See general exceptions included in

				Further information from NHS Choices.	primary care as the condition is appropriate for self-care	consultation document (p9/10)
18	Indigestion and heartburn	£59 (Btm 50% of CCGs)	C	Indigestion can be managed by making simple diet and lifestyle changes or taking OTC antacids.	Prescription for treatment of indigestion and heartburn will not be routinely offered in primary care as the condition is appropriate for self-care	No routine exceptions See general exceptions included in consultation document (p9/10)
19	Infrequent constipation		C	Can be effectively managed with a change in diet or lifestyle or short term use of over the counter laxatives.	Prescription for treatment of simple constipation will not be routinely offered in primary care as the condition is appropriate for self-care	No routine exceptions See general exceptions included in consultation document (p9/10)
20	Infrequent migraine	Analgesia (excl. POM and cough/cold remedies) = £193 (Btm 50% of CCGs)	C	Can be adequately treated with OTC pain killers or combination medicine containing pain killers and anti-sickness medicines. <i>Those with severe or recurrent migraines should continue to seek advice from their GP.</i>	Prescription for treatment of mild migraine will not be routinely offered in primary care as the condition is appropriate for self-care	No routine exceptions See general exceptions included in consultation document (p9/10)
21	Insect bites and stings		C	OTC treatments can help ease symptoms, such as painkillers, creams for itching and antihistamines	Prescription for treatment of insect bites and stings will not be routinely offered in primary care as the condition is appropriate for self-care	No routine exceptions See general exceptions included in consultation document (p9/10)
22	Mild acne		C	Several creams, lotions and gels for treating acne are available at pharmacies. Treatments can take up to three months to work.	Prescription for treatment of mild acne will not be routinely offered in primary care as the condition is appropriate for self-care	No routine exceptions See general exceptions included in consultation document (p9/10)
23	Mild Dry Skin / Sunburn	Emollients (OTC) = £597 (Top 50% of CCGs – 10 th highest CCG)	C	Most people manage dry skin or sun burn themselves or prevent symptoms developing, using sun protection, by using products easily bought in a pharmacy or	Prescription for treatment of dry skin, sunburn or sun protection will not be routinely offered in	ACBS approved indication of photodermatoses (skin protection in)

				supermarket. Emollients are used to help manage dry, itchy or scaly skin conditions.	primary care as the condition is appropriate for self-care	See general exceptions included in consultation document (p9/10)
24	Mild to moderate Hayfever / Seasonal Rhinitis	Antihistamines = £72 (Top 50% of CCGs)	C	Hayfever is common allergic condition that affects up to 1 in 5 people. Currently no cure but those with mild to moderate symptoms are able to relieve symptoms with OTC treatments recommended by a pharmacist	Prescription for treatment of mild to moderate hay fever will not be routinely offered in primary care as the condition is appropriate for self-care	No routine exceptions See general exceptions included in consultation document (p9/10)
25	Minor burns and scalds		C	Depending on how serious a burn is, it is possible to treat burns at home. Antiseptic creams and treatments for burns should be included in any products kept in a medicine cabinet at home <i>More serious burns always require professional medical attention. Burns requiring A&E treatment include but not limited to:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All chemical and electrical burns • Large or deep burns • Burns that cause white or charred skin • Burns on the face, hands, arms, feet, legs or genitals that cause blisters 	Prescription for treatment of minor burns and scalds will not be routinely offered in primary care as the condition is appropriate for self-care	No routine exceptions See general exceptions included in consultation document (p9/10)
26	Minor conditions associated with pain, discomfort and/or fever (e.g. aches and sprains, headache, period pain, back pain)	Analgesia excl. POM & cough/cold remedies = £193 (Btm 50% of CCGs)	C	In most cases can be treated at home with OTC painkillers and lifestyle changes such as getting more rest and drinking enough fluids. Patients should be encouraged to keep a small supply of OTC analgesics in their medicines cabinets at home so they are able to manage minor ailments at home with need for a GP appointment.	Prescription for treatment of conditions associated with pain, discomfort and mild fever will not be routinely offered in primary care as the condition is appropriate for self-care	No routine exceptions See general exceptions included in consultation document (p9/10)
27	Mouth ulcers		C	Usually harmless and do not need to be treated as clear up within a week or two. Can usually be managed at home without	Prescription for treatment of mouth ulcers will not be routinely offered in	No routine exceptions See general exceptions included in

				needing to see a dentist or GP. OTC treatment can help to reduce swelling and ease discomfort.	primary care as the condition is appropriate for self-care	consultation document (p9/10)
28	Nappy rash		C	Can usually be treated at home using barrier creams purchased at supermarket or pharmacy. Normally clears up after about three days if recommended hygiene tips are followed.	Prescription for treatment of nappy rash will not be routinely offered in primary care as the condition is appropriate for self-care	No routine exceptions See general exceptions included in consultation document (p9/10)
29	Oral thrush		C	Minor condition that can be treated without need for GP consultation or prescription in first instance. Common in babies, older people with dentures or those using steroid inhalers. Can be easily treated with OTC gel.	Prescription for treatment of oral thrush will not be routinely offered in primary care as the condition is appropriate for self-care	No routine exceptions See general exceptions included in consultation document (p9/10)
30	Prevention of dental caries	Dental products on FP10 = £32 (Btm 50% of CCGs)	C	Dentist may advise of using higher strength fluoride toothpaste if at particular risk of tooth decay. Higher fluoride toothpastes and mouthwashes can be purchased OTC.	Prescription for high fluoride OTC toothpaste should not be routinely offered in primary care as the condition is appropriate for self-care	No routine exceptions See general exceptions included in consultation document (p9/10)
31	Ringworm / Athletes Foot	Fungal infection = £26 (Top 50% of CCGs)	C	These fungal infections, medically known as "tinea", are not serious and are usually easily treated with OTC treatments. However, they are contagious and easily spread so it is important to practice good foot hygiene.	Prescription for treatment of ringworm or athletes foot will not be routinely offered in primary care as the condition is appropriate for self-care	No routine exceptions See general exceptions included in consultation document (p9/10)
32	Teething / Mild toothache		C	Teething gels often contain a mild local anaesthetic which helps to numb pain or discomfort caused by teething and these can be purchased from a pharmacy. If baby is in pain or has a mild raised temperature then paracetamol or ibuprofen suspension can be given. Mild toothache in adults can also be treated	Prescription for treatment of teething in babies or toothache in children and adults will not be routinely offered in primary care as the condition is appropriate for self-care	No routine exceptions See general exceptions included in consultation document (p9/10)

with OTC painkillers.

Page 102	33	Threadworms	£1 (Top 50% of CCGs – 10 th highest CCG)	C	<p>Common in children and spread easily. Effectively treated without need to see GP.</p> <p>Treatment can easily be bought from pharmacies. Strict hygiene measures can also help clear up a threadworm infection and reduce the likelihood of reinfection.</p> <p>Everyone in the household will require treatment, even if they don't have symptoms.</p>	<p>Prescription for treatment of threadworm will not be routinely offered in primary care as the condition is appropriate for self-care</p>	<p>No routine exceptions</p> <p>See general exceptions included in consultation document (p9/10)</p>
	34	Travel sickness	£12 (Btm 50% of CCGs)	C	<p>Mild motion sickness can be treated by various self-care measures (e.g stare at a fixed object, fresh air, listen to music); more severe motion sickness can be treated with OTC medicines</p>	<p>Prescription for treatment of motion sickness will not be routinely offered in primary care as the condition is appropriate for self-care</p>	<p>No routine exceptions</p> <p>See general exceptions included in consultation document (p9/10)</p>
	35	Warts and verrucae		C	<p>Generally harmless and tend to go away on their own eventually.</p> <p>Several treatments can be purchased from a pharmacy to get rid of warts an verrucae more quickly if patients require treatment.</p>	<p>Prescription for treatment of warts and verrucae will not be routinely offered in primary care as the condition is appropriate for self-care</p>	<p>No routine exceptions</p> <p>See general exceptions included in consultation document (p9/10)</p>

Categories

A – items of low clinical effectiveness (lack of robust evidence for clinical effectiveness)

B – self-limiting condition (does not require medical advice or treatment as it will clear up on its own)

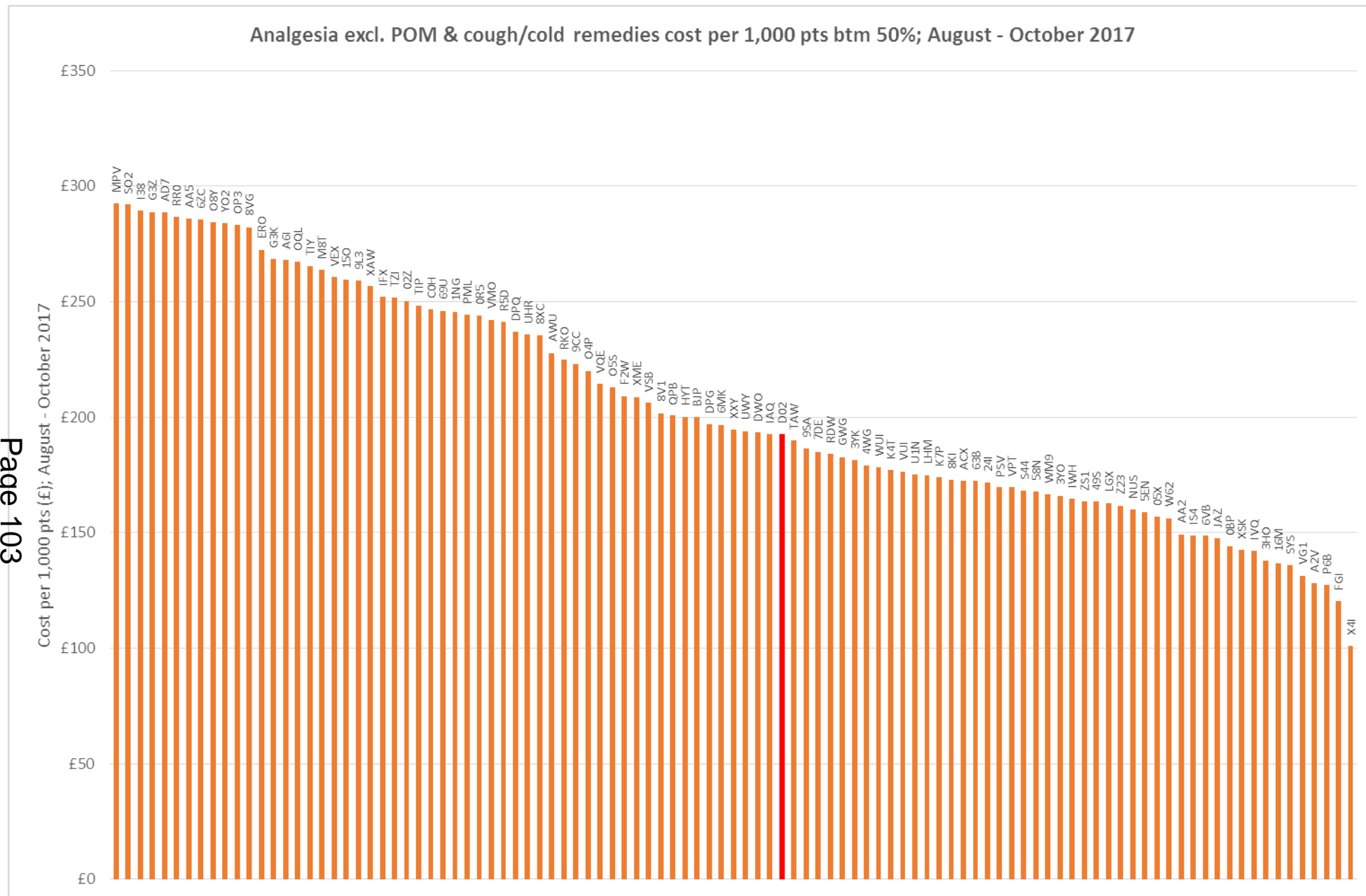
C – minor ailment suitable for self-care (treatment with items that can easily be purchased over the counter from a pharmacy or similar outlet)

Key

POM = Prescription Only Medicine

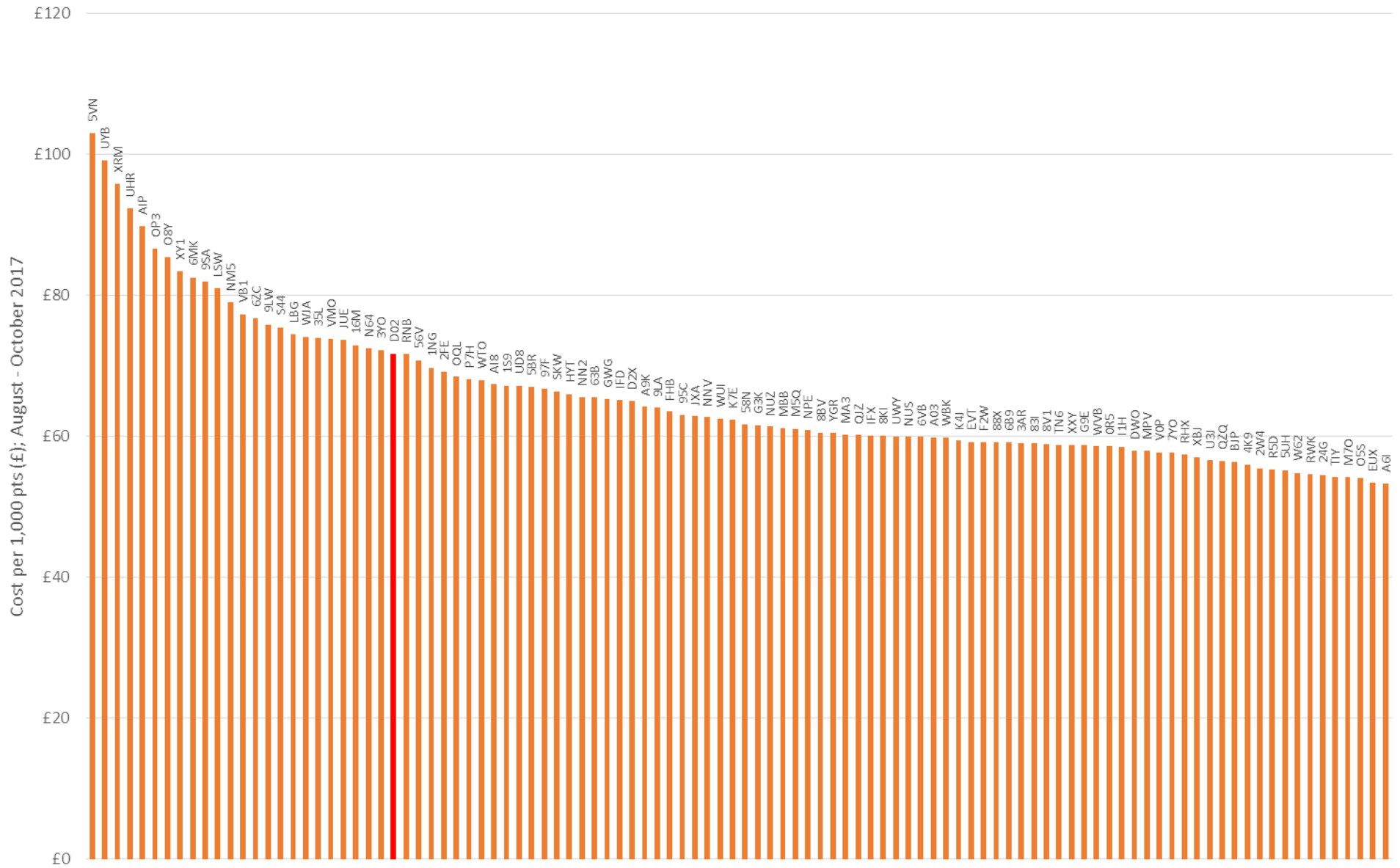
OTC = Over the counter

Appendix 1 – Over-the-counter comparison graphs showing cost per 1000 pts for THCCG (highlighted in red)

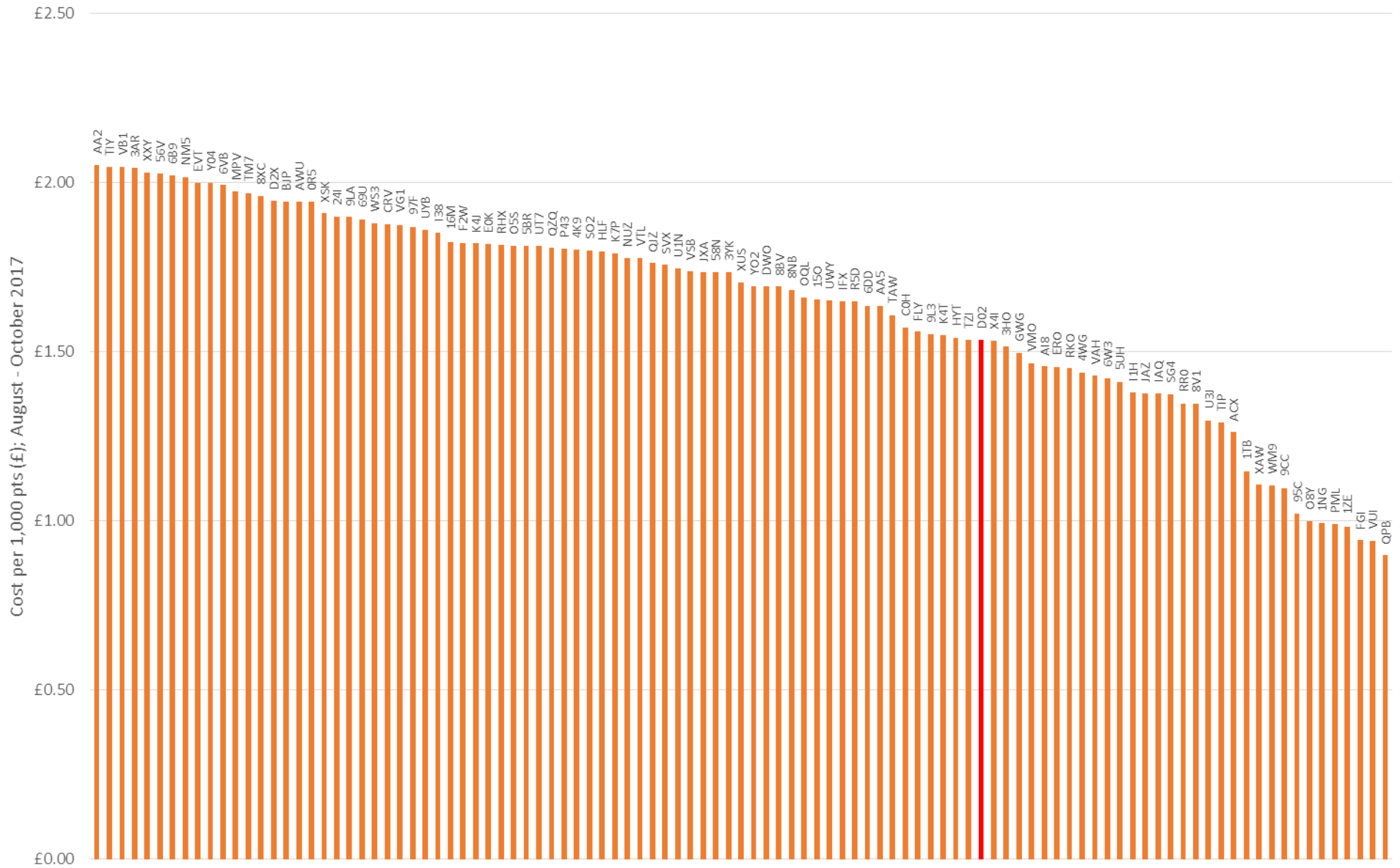


Antihistamines (OTC) cost per 1,000 pts top 50%; August - October 2017

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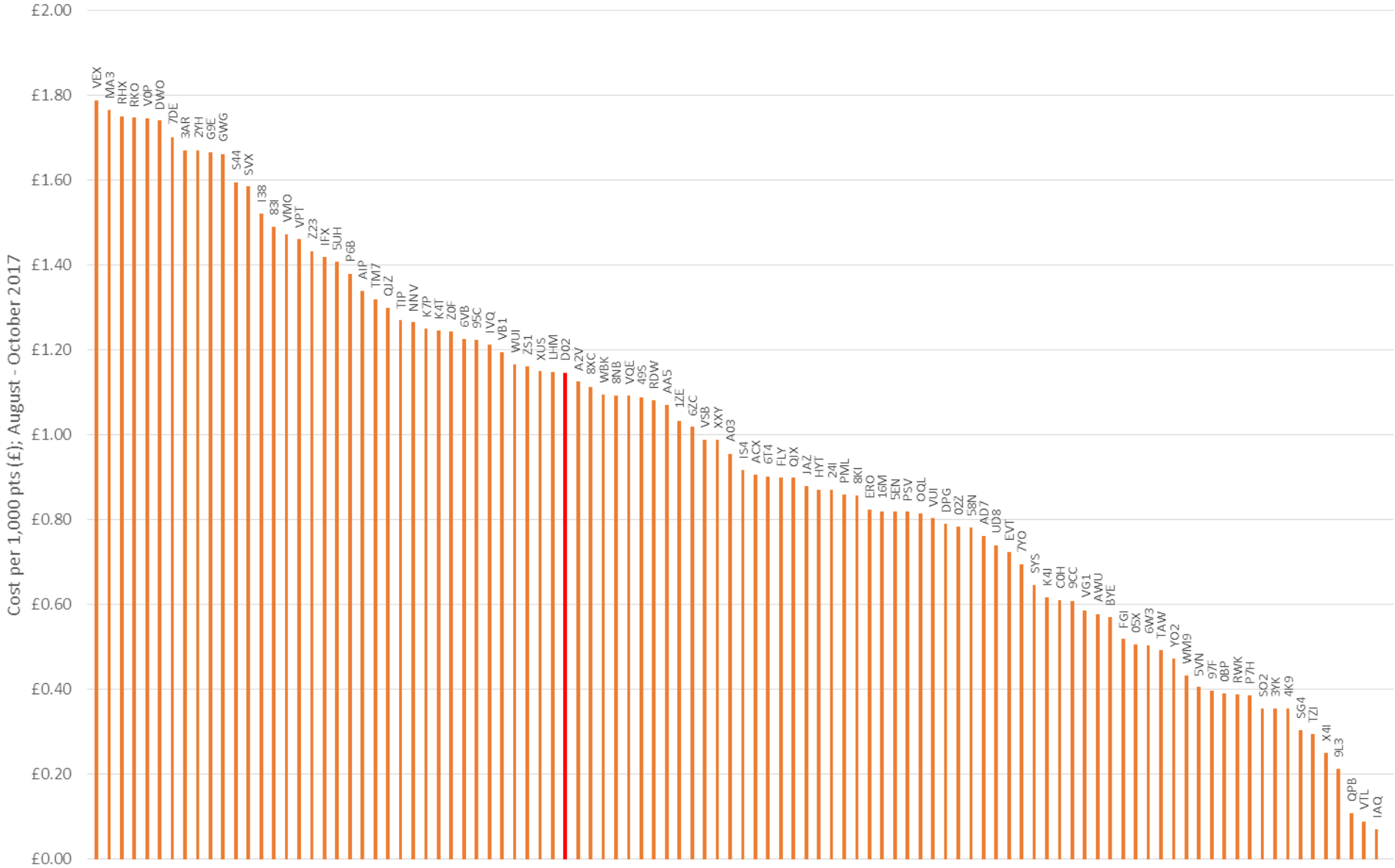


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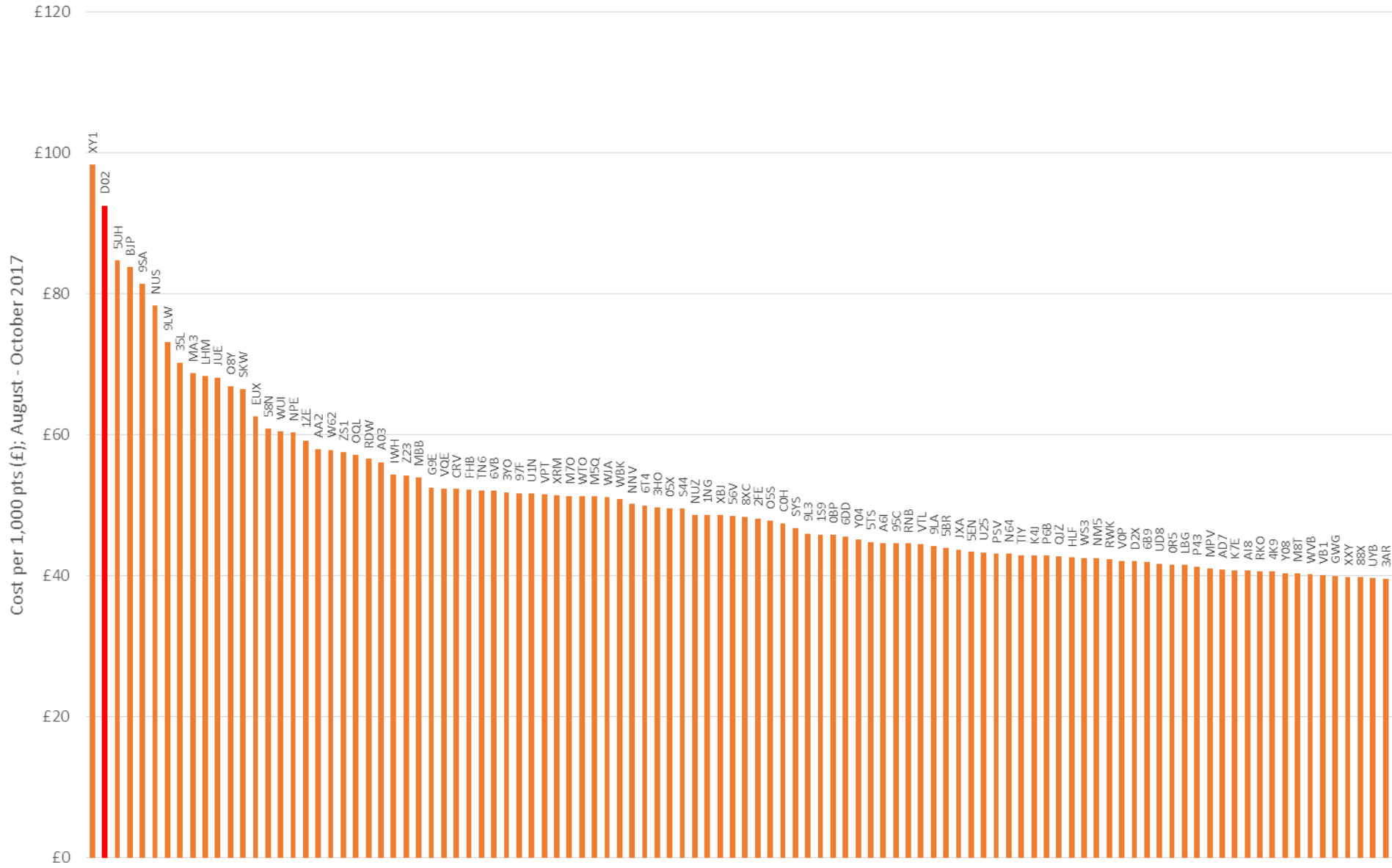


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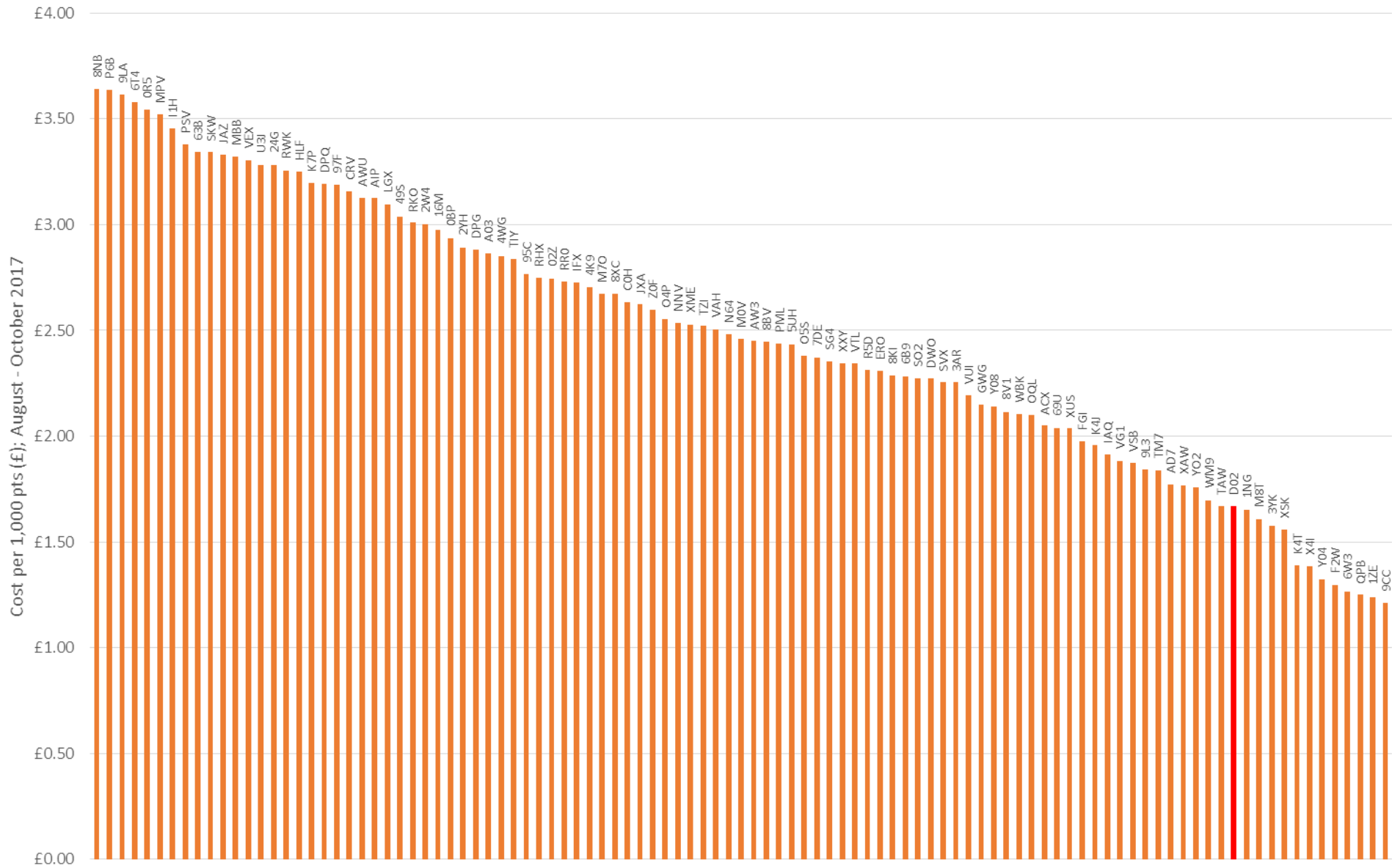


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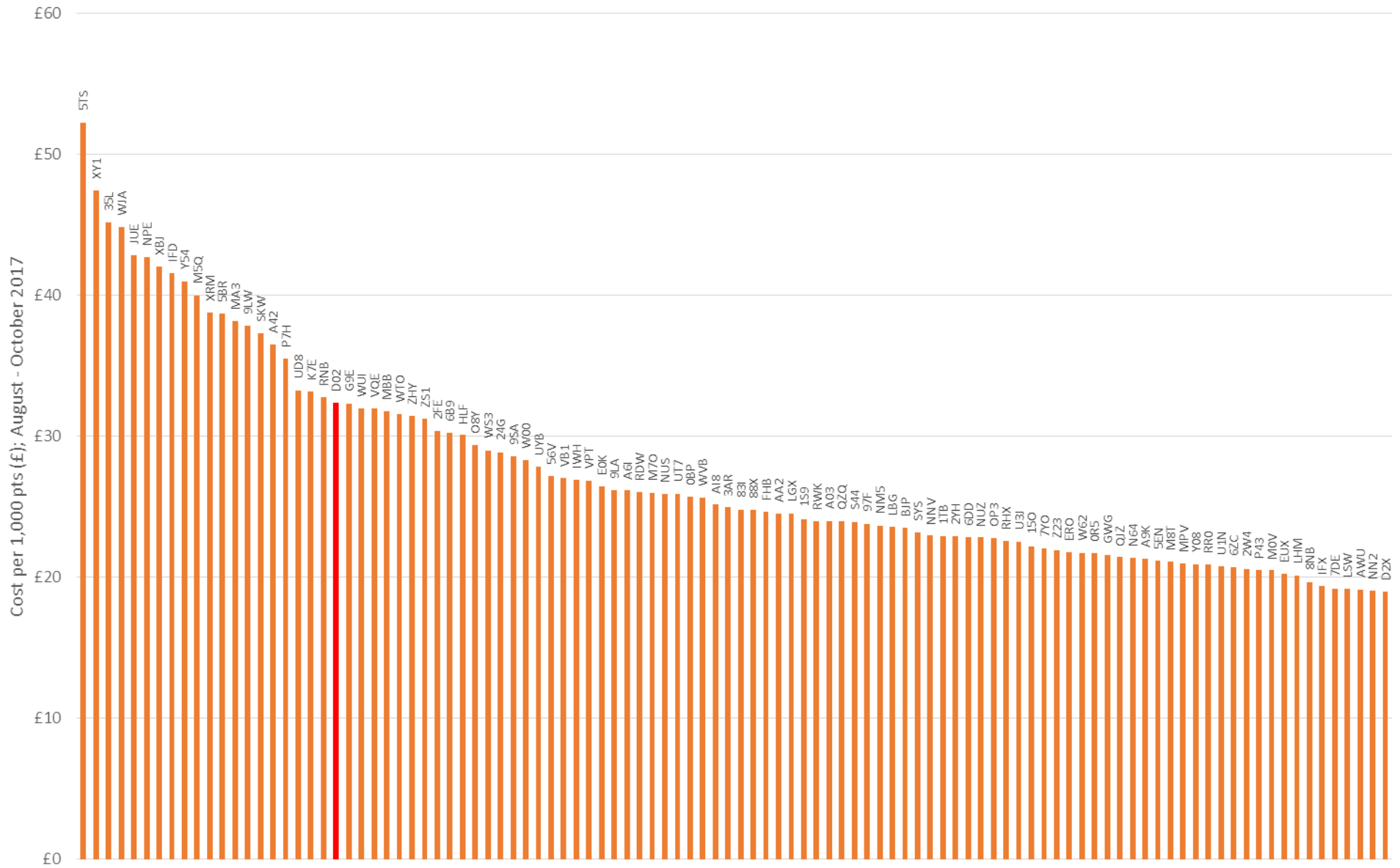
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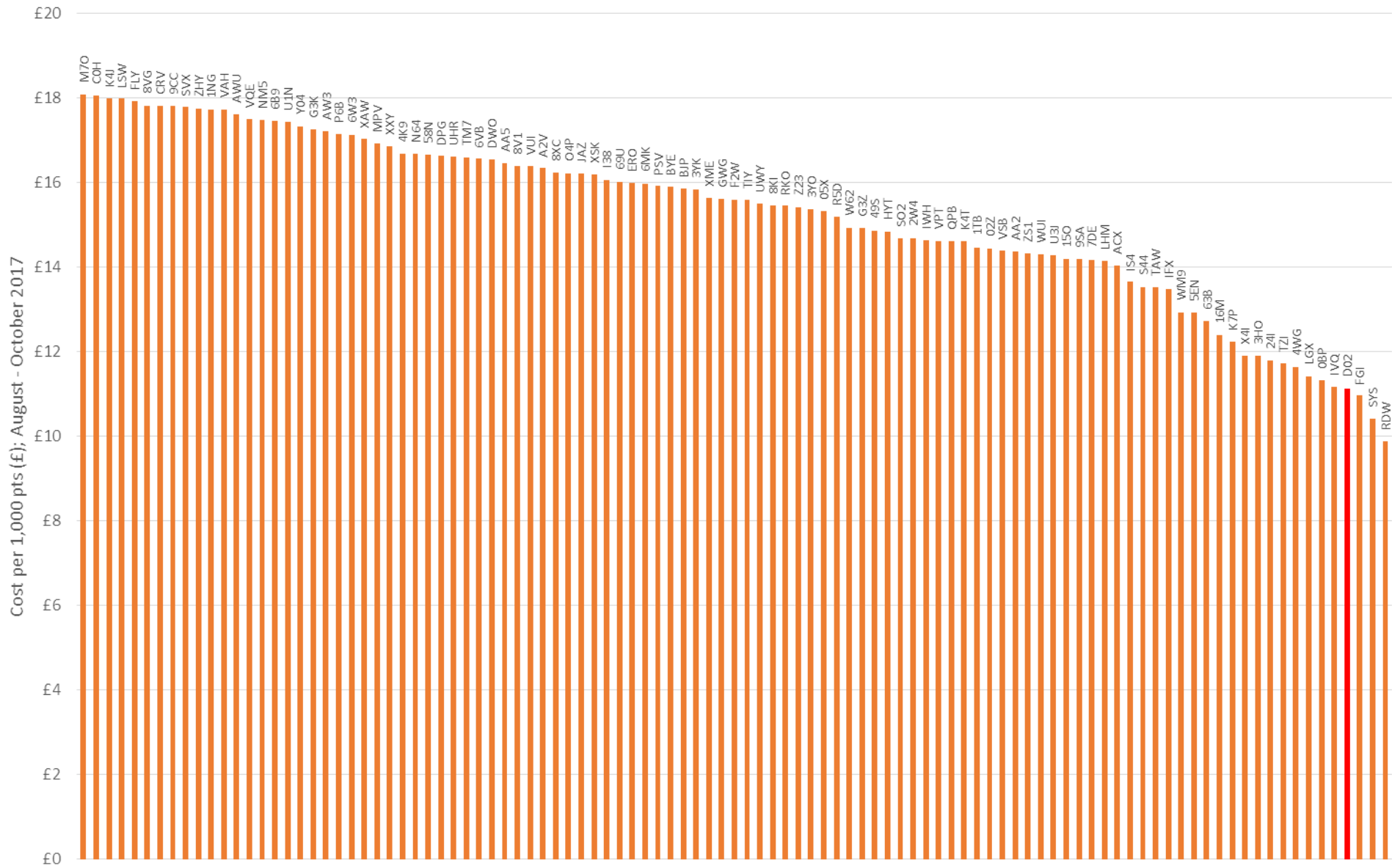


Dental products on FP10 cost per 1,000 pts btm 50%; August - October 2017

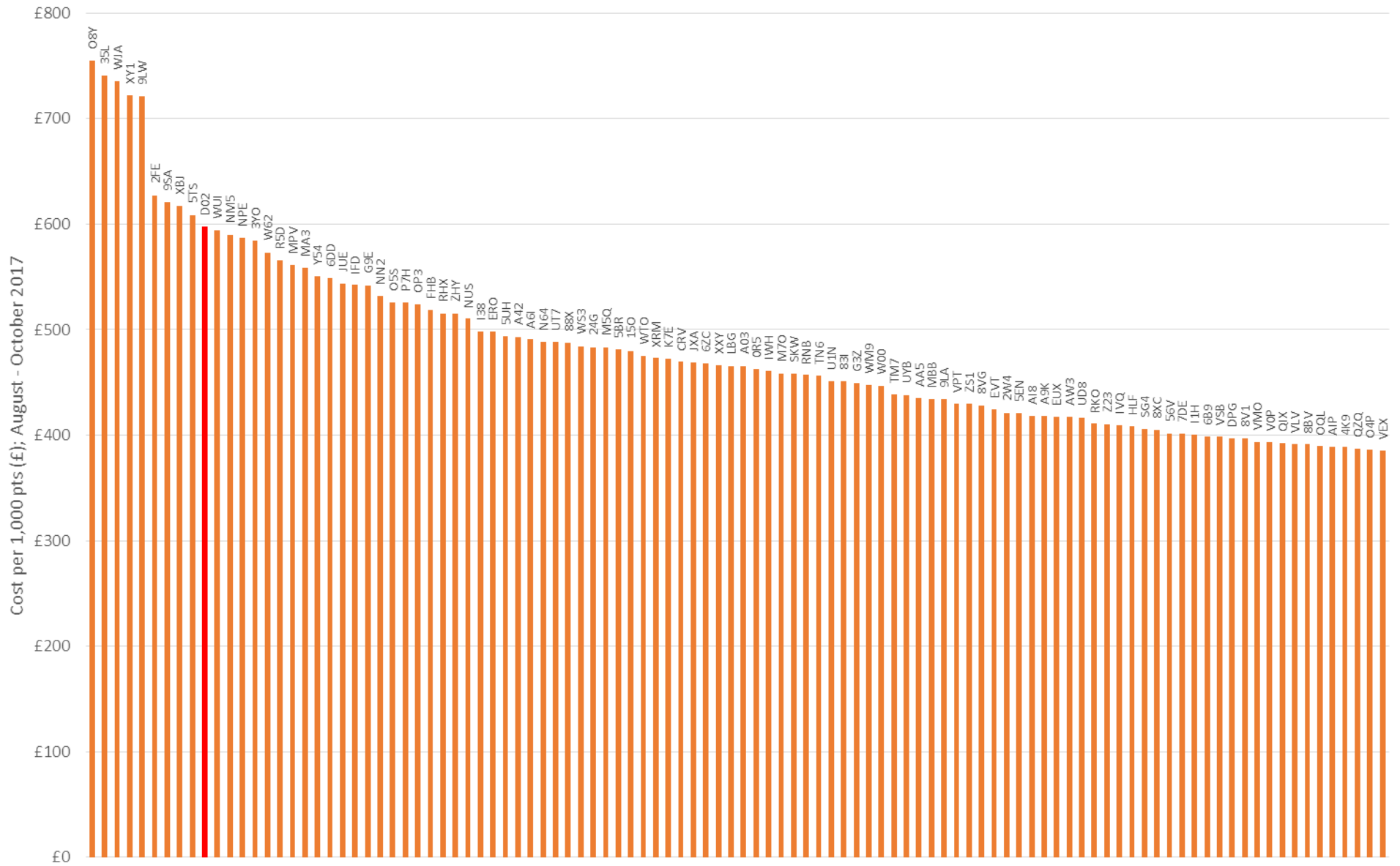
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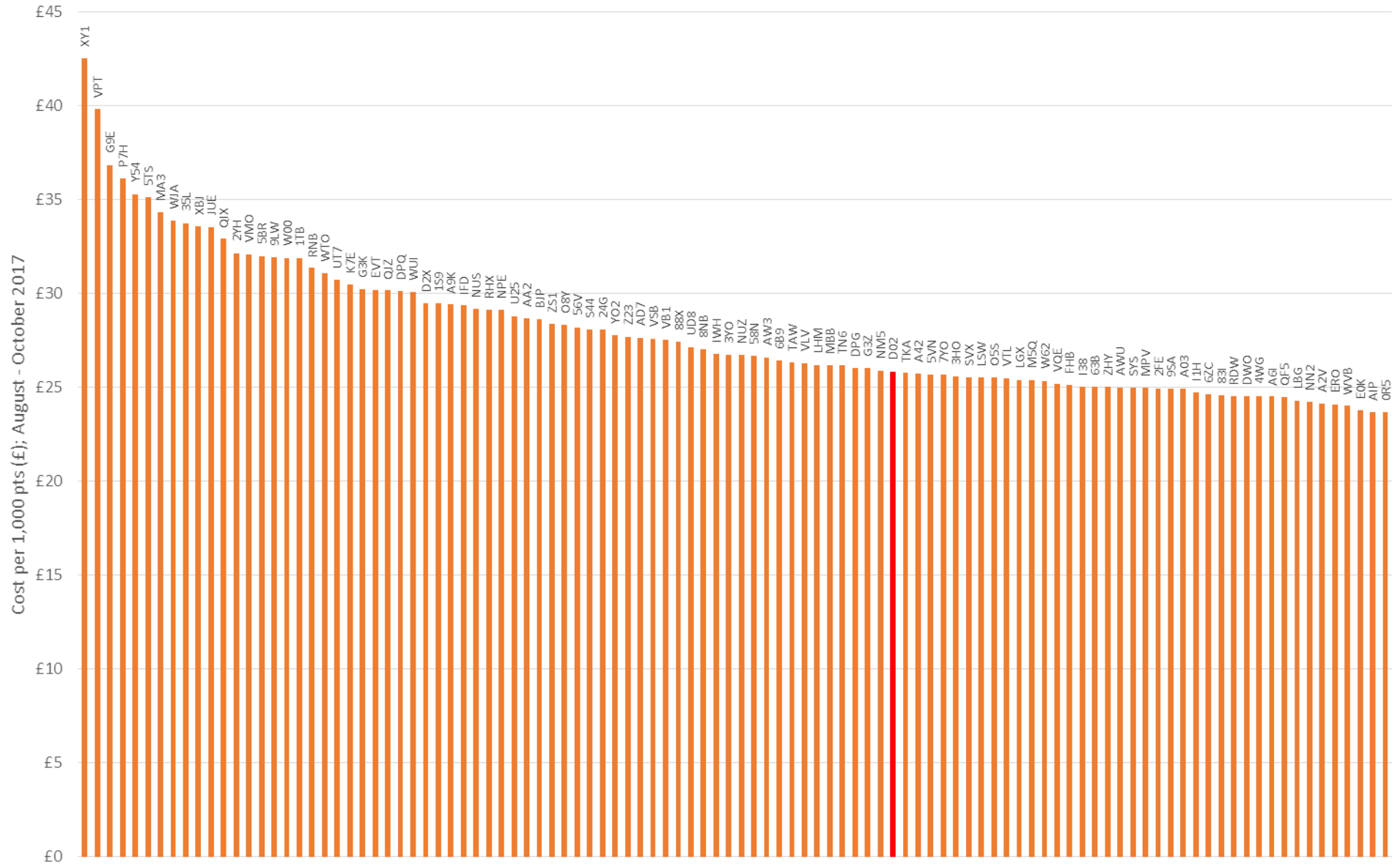
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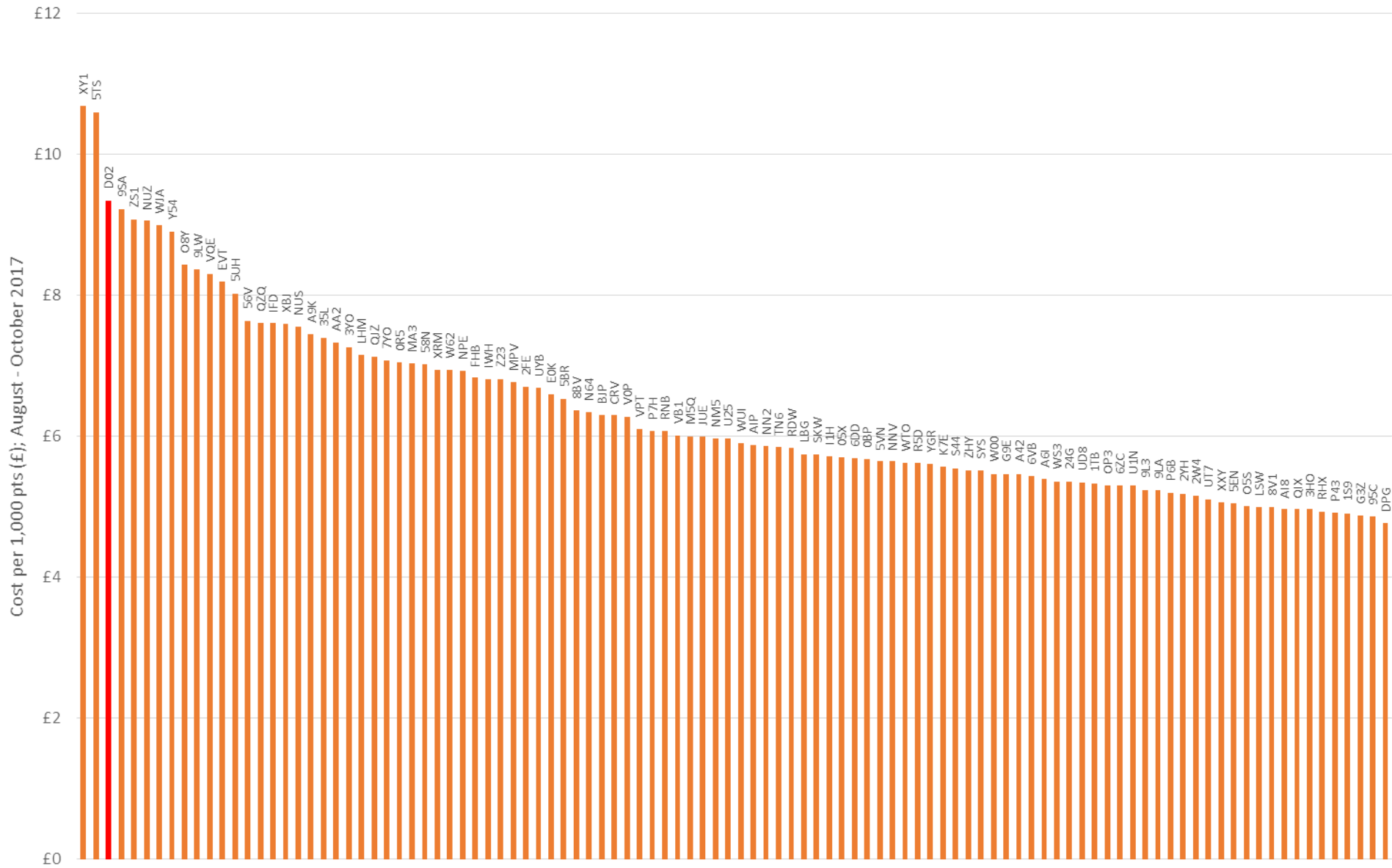
Emollients (OTC) cost per 1,000 pts top 50%; August - October 2017



Fungal Infection cost per 1,000 pts top 50%; August - October 2017

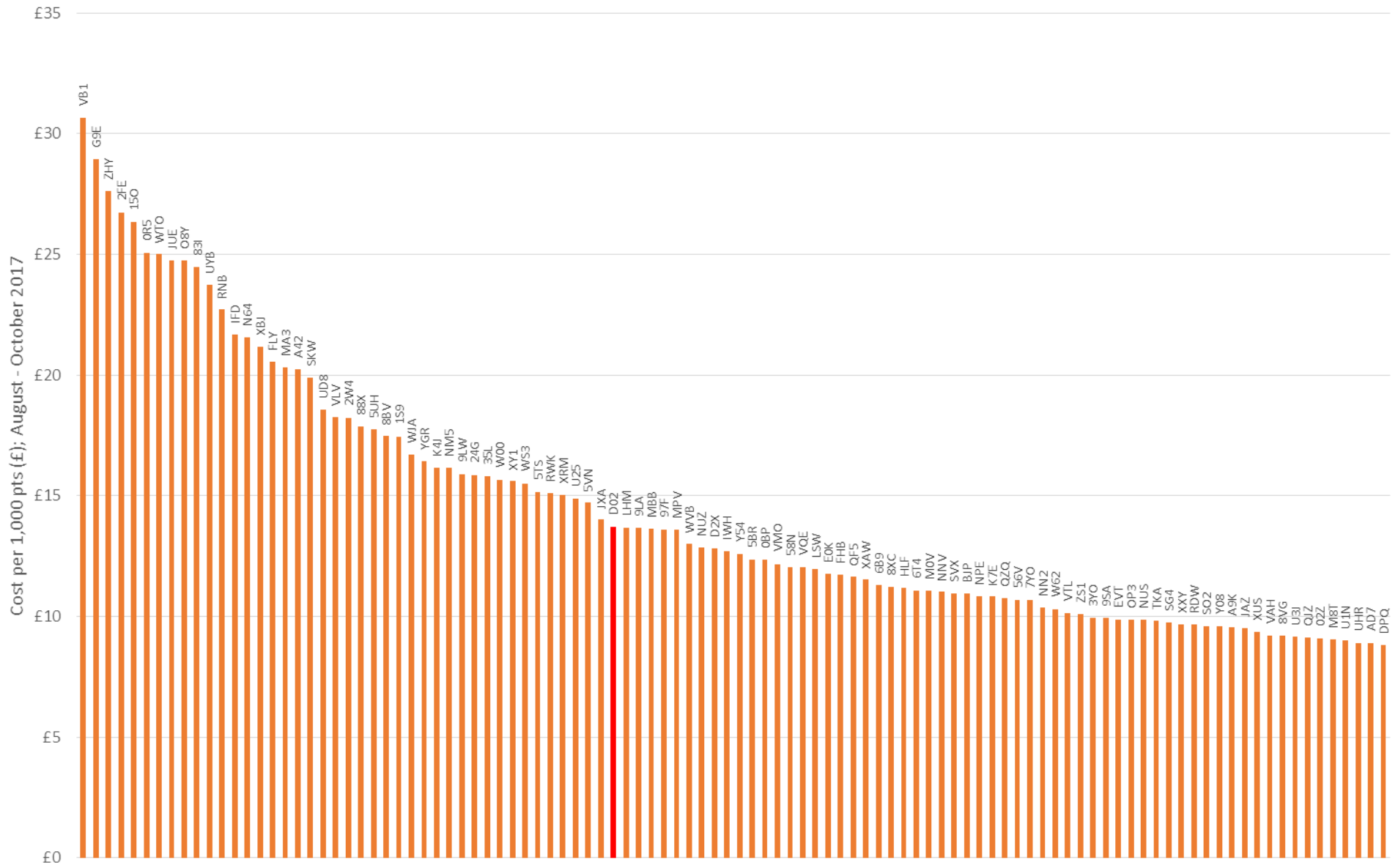


Haemorrhoid treatments (excl. POM) cost per 1,000 pts top 50%; August - October 2017

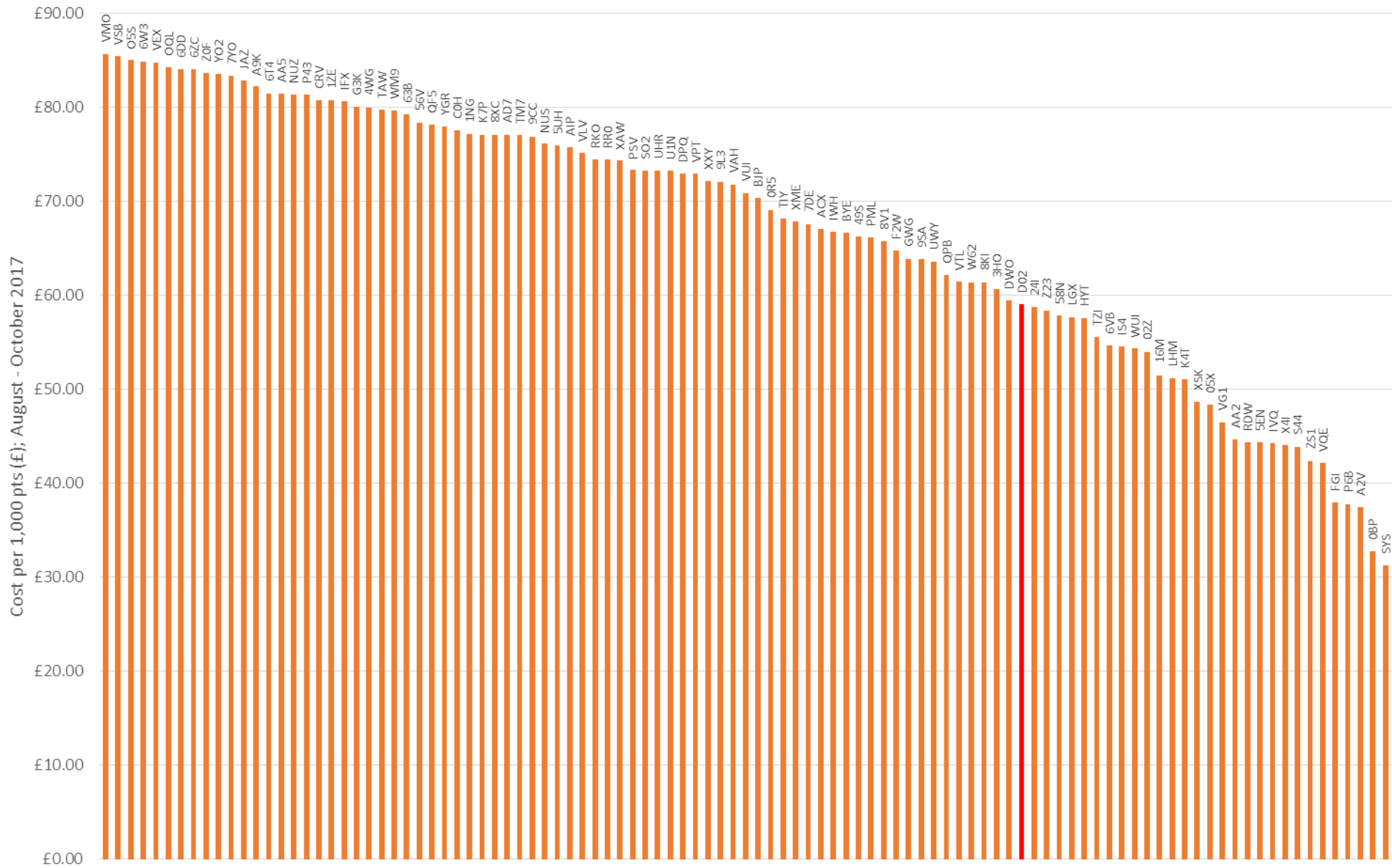


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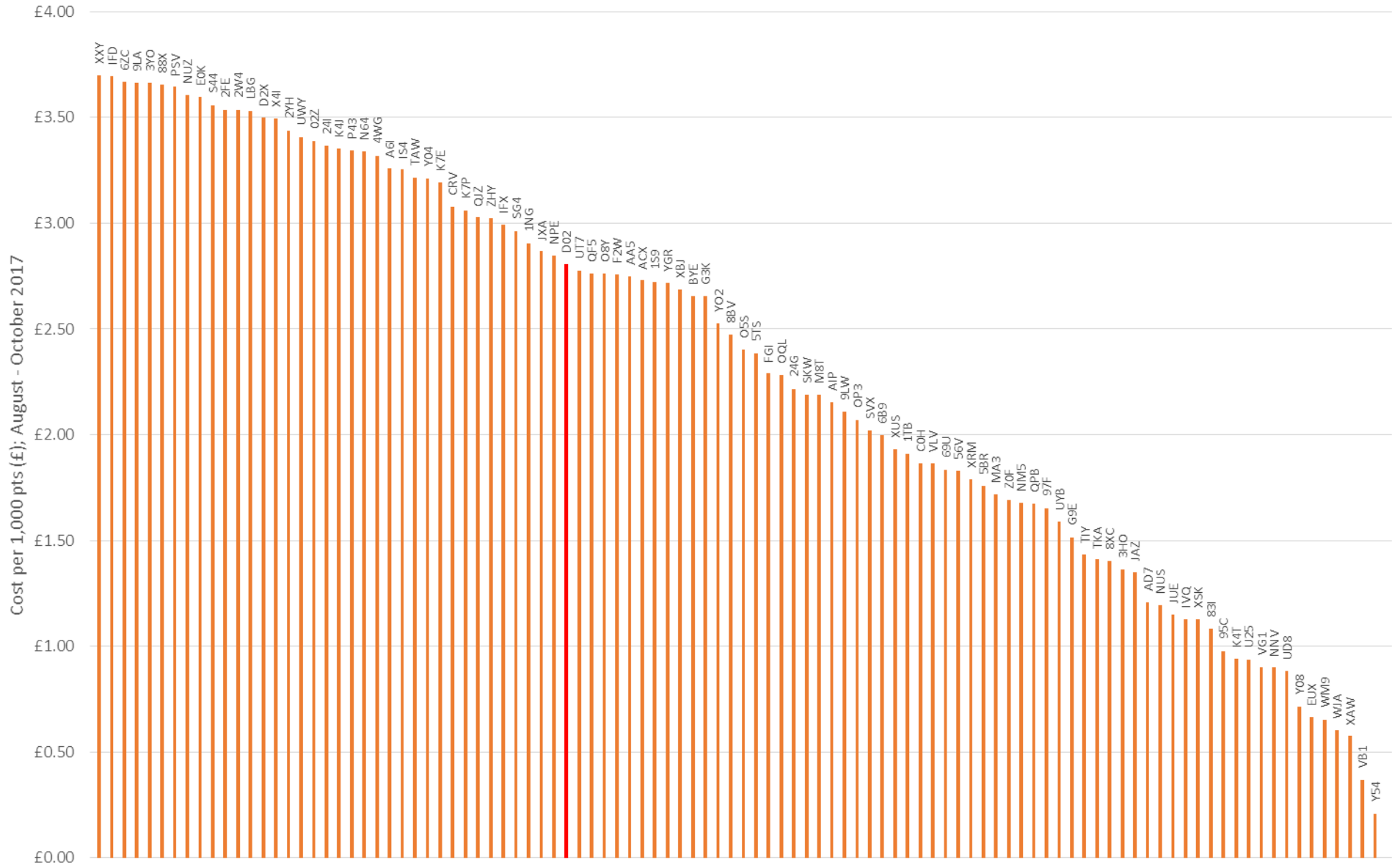
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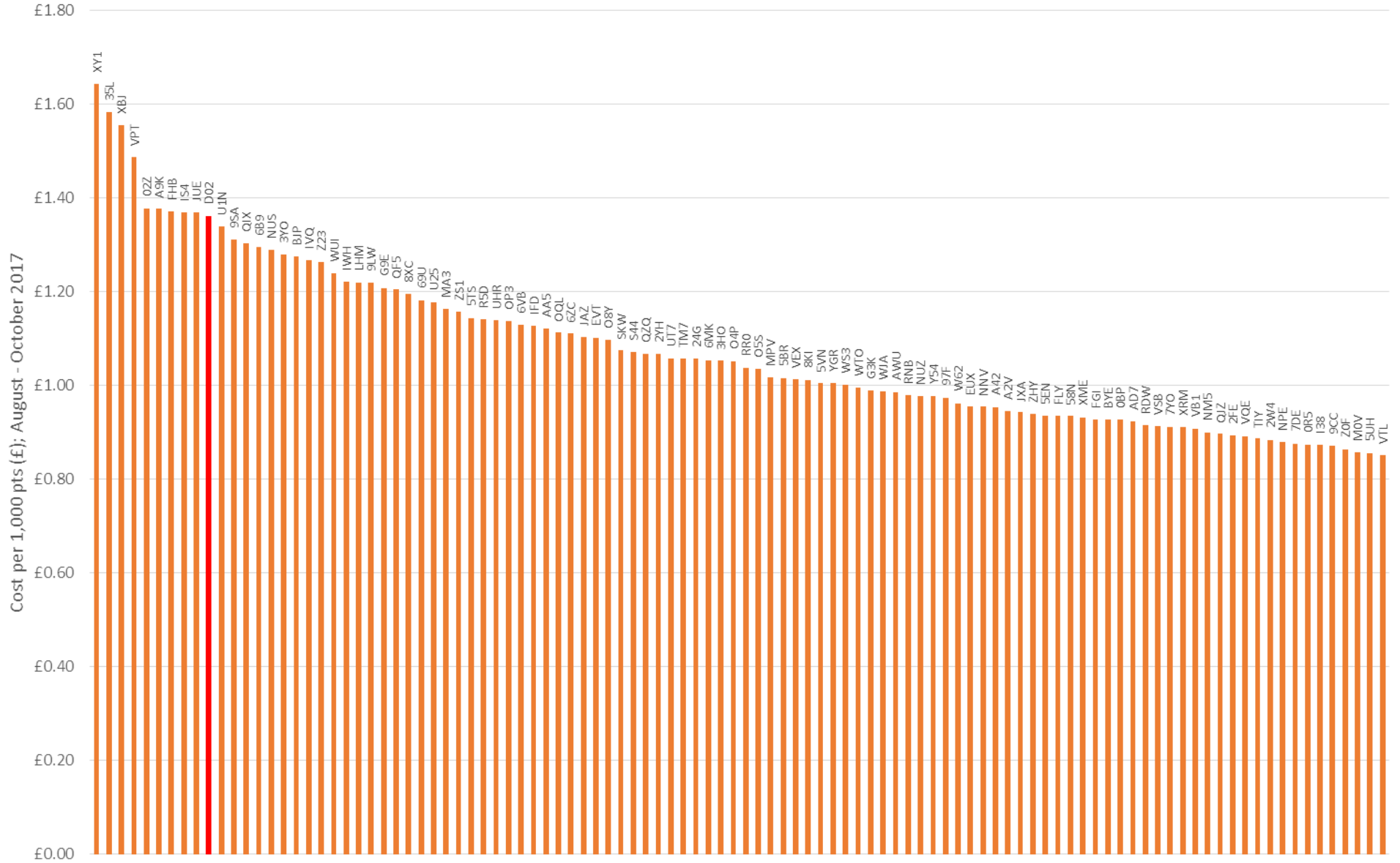
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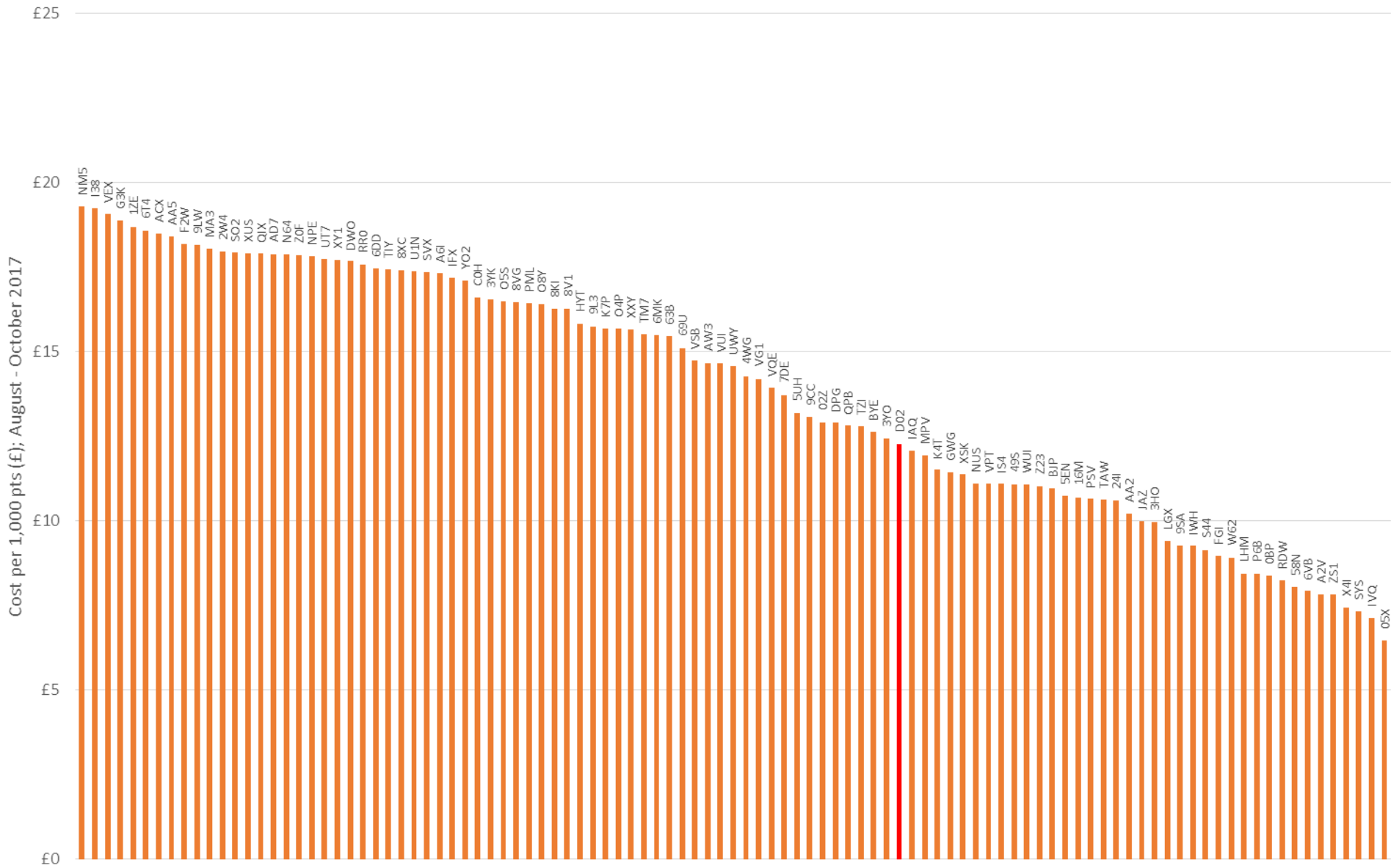
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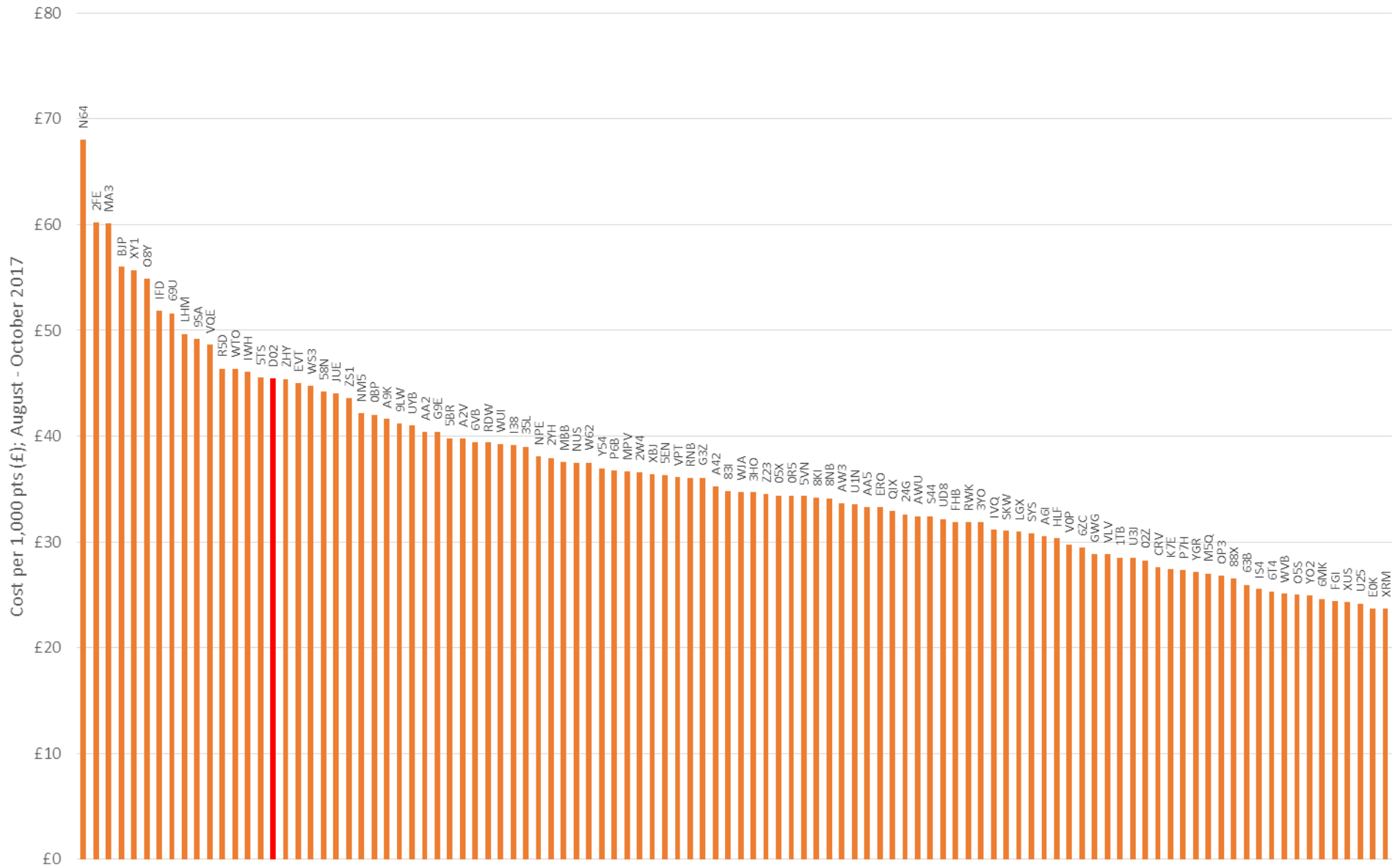
Threadworm cost per 1,000 pts top 50%; August - October 2017



Travel Sickness cost per 1,000 pts top 50%; August - October 2017



Vitamins and minerals cost per 1,000 pts top 50; August - October 2017



Upset Stomach cost per 1,000 pts bottom 50%; August - October 2017

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