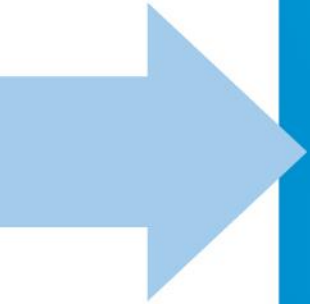


# NEWSLETTER

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## SOMERSET DRUG AND ALCOHOL SERVICE HAS CHANGED!



From 1<sup>st</sup> April 2019, SDAS has changed to a new operating model delivered by Turning Point which will allow more focus on outreach and community working across Somerset. Our services in Frome and Bridgwater have relocated into community venues and we are still delivering the same support packages in those areas but the changes mean we will have more flexibility to deliver improved support for our clients. Our services in Yeovil and Taunton remain in those premises but will benefit from the new operating model.

We also have a new website [www.turning-point.co.uk/sdas](http://www.turning-point.co.uk/sdas), which contains our easy to use online referral form as well as lots more information about our services and online help and advice.

We continue to use the 0300 303 8788 number. This number is now managed by Turning Point and is available 24/7.

### BRIDGWATER VENUES

Clinic Appointments: East Quay Medical Centre

Groups: East Quay Medical Centre and Bridgwater YMCA


Clusters and one to one sessions: Bridgwater YMCA

### FROME VENUES

Clinic Appointments: Frome Medical Centre

Groups: Frome Town Hall, The Assembly Rooms, Frome YMCA, SWEDA (Shepton Mallet)

Clusters and one to one sessions: SWEDA, Frome YMCA



# NEW STAFF STRUCTURE

Our new service provision includes a range of new roles to allow us to provide more holistic support to our clients. These workers will work alongside our dedicated Recovery Workers across the County:

**Women's Recovery Workers** to support the most vulnerable females to make positive changes in their lives;

**Family Workers** who will support family members and friends of our clients to ensure they access support for themselves as well as supporting our clients to build positive social networks;

**Engagement & Outreach Workers** to improve access to our service and promote closer working with our partnership agencies;

**ABCD Community Connections Workers** to ensure that individuals in recovery get support to maintain & sustain this as well as integrating effectively into the community.



## YOUNG PEOPLE'S SERVICES



From 1<sup>st</sup> April, SDAS have expanded the support for young people to include those who need some brief advice and information as well as more structured support. If you know a young person who could benefit from support around their own or someone else's substance use please contact us at [sdas@turning-point.co.uk](mailto:sdas@turning-point.co.uk) or visit our website.

## INTRODUCING DEAR ALBERT!

We'd like to welcome Dear Albert to the area after working with them in other parts of the Country and look forward to bringing the benefits of our Partnership to the Region.

Dear Albert is a Peer-led, Recovery focused social enterprise that works together with Turning Point, other stakeholders, and services users to help build local sustainable recovery communities.

Dear Albert will be launching their innovative and popular; You Do The MAF's (Mutual Aid Facilitation Service) programme from June in Yeovil, and will include screenings of the international recognised documentary 'Dear Albert'.

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