

## Medirest springs new partnership

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Medirest, Compass Group UK & Ireland's healthcare sector, has partnered with South West London and St George's Mental Health NHS Trust to provide a diverse and quality catering solution to the growing Springfield Village community in Tooting.

Springfield Village is a new mixed-use community made up of more than 800 new homes, a public square, shops and a 32-acre public park. At the centre of the village is Springfield Hospital and its two brand new mental health facilities, the Trinity and Shaftesbury buildings, which are home to a range of inpatient and outpatient mental health services.

The Trust has teamed up with Medirest to deliver a unique catering offer that will serve the growing community. Initially set up for a six-month pilot period, the agreement will see Medirest deliver innovative foodservice technology, which includes their Time2Eat app and in-store ordering kiosks, so that people can click and collect for the ultimate convenience.

Medirest's offer will include Stove, which is a contemporary comfort food concept and a Peruvian-inspired chicken-based offer called Hola Pollo, which includes fiery and flavoursome chicken, marinated in signature citrus and spice mixes. There will also be a grab-and-go product range, which consists of freshly made sandwiches, incorporating meal deals. Top quality hot beverages will be on sale via the Change Please brand – this is a unique social enterprise who aim to help homeless people through the sales of their award-winning coffee.

Ian Garlington, the Director leading the transformation of the Trust's Springfield site said: "We're really pleased that Medirest have helped us to make this fantastic new restaurant a reality. Not only does it look great, but it also offers a wide variety of options in a convenient and flexible way to accommodate different needs. I would like to thank our colleagues and contractors who have worked extremely hard to

get the new restaurant ready and open for our growing community to enjoy – including local residents, visitors, our staff and service users.”

Russell Blake, Managing Director, Healthcare – Compass Group UK & Ireland commented: “This is a really creative solution that caters for the rapidly growing local community. We plan to strengthen and evolve the offer in partnership with the community, but our model allows us agility and facilitates customer choice. We look forward to being part of this exciting new venture.”

The new outlet will be called The Wellspring Restaurant and will be open Monday to Friday initially.