

Dear Sir

I am writing to you with reference to our telephone conversation last week.

I am a mother of six, and two of my sons are heroin addicts, I am at my wits end trying to help my sons when the system (drug and alcohol) just seems to be a waste of time and our money.

My eldest son was desperate to get off heroin, and went to D and A for help and was told to go away and carry on taking the heroin until they could give him an appointment which was four weeks away. He couldn't wait four weeks so he then got himself an appointment with a doctor to see if he could help, and when he told the doctor that he had to wait four weeks to see someone at D and A he could not believe this and phoned D and A to see if he could get my son seen sooner, which he couldn't.

My son and his girlfriend (also an addict) to do the detox on their own, but before he did this, I took my son down to D and A one last time to see if he could get help, and was told he could not be seen sooner and he said that he was going to lock himself in a room and detox at home; the lady he saw in the reception area then gave me a leaflet about what to do if you overdose, I saw red and I made a bit of a fuss and told them to watch the JEP because I was going to contact them which I did, but it took a lot of pushing to get the article published.

My son and his girlfriend got very desperate during this time and got into trouble and my son ended up in prison again.

I could tell you much more but I will leave it at that for now, if you would like anymore information please don't hesitate to contact me on _____ or on my mobile

I would like to get together with other parents and form some sort of group[to fight against drugs and get the help for our children to be drug free.

At the moment my son is in prison, and when he comes out he won't have any help to keep off the drugs.

I also have seven-year-old twins and I can't go through the same with them, so I hope something can be done soon.

I hope you can help in some way to change the system before any more of our children are lost to drugs.