



Muna Abdel Aziz indicated that the CQC report was still yet to be finalised, but she was able to quote the Salford Royal Foundation Hospital Chief Executive who had said “*that there was a mismatch between what he expected (prior to arrival) and what he found (after arrival), for example with regard to spinal injuries*”. Muna also advised that the panel could only really consider, in any detail, issue of concern and the any recommendations once the CQC report was published.

- b) Cllr Warmisham reiterated that it was really concerning hearing about some of the arising issues at Salford Royal Foundation Hospital, as these services were being delivered to the people of Salford, and that whilst we know morale of staff is low, the panel need to keep an eye on this.
- c) Cllr Morris reiterated the advice for the panel to wait for the published report, acknowledging that whilst Salford Royal Foundation Hospital was considered to be one of the better performers in GM, there are some issues to be addressed and planned for, however, in general these were down to the lack of resources for the NHS. As a former Chair of the Salford Royal Foundation Hospital, I find the interim reports worrying, but the panel shall review after the report’s release.
- d) Cllr Boshell queried if the impact report on the Bevan Intermediate Care Centre was available now or was it aligned to the Salford Royal Foundation Hospital CQC report?

**ACTION:** Chris Howl to email Hannah Dobrowolska to seek clarity on if the impact report on the Bevan Intermediate Care Centre is available now or if it’s aligned to the publication of the Salford Royal Foundation Hospital CQC report?

- e) Cllr Saunders reiterated his concerns about the Homes for Ukraine scheme. Cllr Morris mentioned that she sits on the LGA National Working Party, which is very concerned about the future, as originally it was not envisaged that the war would last as long as it is and if hosting breaks down the only option for the refugee is to present as homeless.
- f) Cllr King, as a host, expressed concerns about the six-month host period and that there is no forward on provision within the scheme (irrespective of if a hosting breaks down or not), in effect the refugee becomes homeless. He believed that for once some sensible comments have recently been made by a Conservative MP (Caroline Nokes), in respect of the same approach to refugees from Iran and Iraq should also apply to refugees from Ukraine, whereby they should be processed and allowed to work whilst remaining in the UK.

## 5. Insourcing Commission Update (Cllr Merry/ Cllr Robinson-Smith)

At the previous panel meeting a request, following a public question and response given, the Chair of the Insourcing Commission and Cllr Merry were invited to attend the panel to provide an update on the operation of the Insourcing Commission and contribute to discussions, specifically:

- Who is on the panel?

- How often has it met?
- What has it considered to date and what were the outcomes?
- When will Social Care be considered?

Cllr Youd (Chair of the Insourcing Commission) was unable to attend the panel, sending his apologies as he is currently on leave.

Cllr Merry (Deputy City Mayor and Lead Member for Adult Services, Health and Wellbeing) and Cllr Hannah Robinson-Smith (Executive Support Member for Social Care and Mental Health), attended the panel, recognising that as Cllr Youd was the Lead Member for the Insourcing Commission, they were unsure how much they could assist the panel. Notwithstanding, they shared the following:

- the City Mayor after his most recent election made a commitment wherever possible to bring jobs in-house.
- against this aspiration, in 2022 the council is presently looking at having to make £22m of cuts ... unless the new Conservative Government increases our funding as part of its 'levelling-up' agenda.
- until we know our financial settlement the council can't really consider new proposals.
- there is uncertainty over the NHS Intermediate Fund and wage settlements.
- we shall ensure that there is effective scrutiny, by this panel and alongside the new GM ICS.

Discussion took place in respect of several issues, including:

- Cllr Boshell sought clarity on whether the Insourcing Commission was or wasn't going to consider social care, as at the previous panel meeting it appeared that it wasn't, whereas emails from 2016 and 2019 indicate that it was? Cllr Merry stated that a Section 75 Review was underway, alongside which there is a need to distinguish between national and local issues and that once this has been completed the Insourcing Commission will report back to this panel.
- Bruce Poole asked what's in and out of scope? Cllr Merry confirmed that the Insourcing Commission has no decision-making powers. Its primary aim is to maximise the number of jobs in-house. As we are faced with making £16m of savings on current budget, until we bottom this out, it's difficult to highlight anything of note. Cllr Merry said that the Insourcing Commission will in general terms consider any/ all services, nothing specific has been earmarked and that as many of the services are likely to be NHS-related, it will be their decision as well.
- Cllr Kelly asked how often did the Insourcing Commission meet, how does it make decisions and why are the panel only becoming aware of it now? Cllr Merry confirmed that there have been three meetings since it was established and that it will not now be meeting until the council knows more about the outcome of its budget and our settlement.
- Bruce Poole reiterated that there are concerns within the CVS sector in Salford about contracts, as many believe that the Insourcing Commission hold their future in their hands. Cllr Merry confirmed that the council were looking at all

contracts as they arise and that the Insourcing Commission isn't about the wholesale move of contracts from the CVS to the council.

- Cllr Turner asked what is it that the council are going to insource and also highlighted that the council hasn't had signed-off its 2021/22 accounts yet. Cllr Merry reiterated that there is no schedule of contracts that are to be considered. As a principle, he thought that if a service contract might be the most cost/ delivery effective option within the council rather than elsewhere, then it should be worthy for consideration.
- Cllr Merry confirmed that the Insourcing Commission consists of Cllr Youd and Cllr August, plus the Lead Member for any service that is being considered.
- Cllr Boshell asked if it would be possible to have someone from the CVS in Salford, perhaps an APSE representative and maybe even a 'back bencher' on the Insourcing Commission?
- Cllr Morris suggested that as the Insourcing Commission is such a serious issue for the panel, that Cllr Youd and Cllr August are invited to the 1 February 2023 panel meeting to provide an update. Cllr Merry thought that this was an appropriate timeframe.

**ACTION:** Chris Howl to email Cllr Youd and Cllr August inviting them to the future panel meeting on 1 February 2023 to provide an update on the operation of the Insourcing Commission and contribute to discussions.

- Cllr Kelly asked if there was a Trade Union representative on the Insourcing Commission? Cllr Merry confirmed that Trade Union representatives have been involved and attended the Insourcing Commission. He reiterated that its recommendations are just recommendations.

**ACTION:** Cllr Morris/ Cllr Syed to email Cllr Boshell's suggestion of if it would be possible to have someone from the CVS in Salford, perhaps an APSE representative and maybe even a 'back bencher' to sit on the Insourcing Commission?

**RESOLVED: (1) THAT** the update be noted.

**(2) THAT** an update report in respect of the Insourcing Commission be presented by Cllr Youd and Cllr August at the meeting of this Panel on 1 February 2023.

## **6. Locality Plan/ JSNA Update (Muna Abdel Aziz)**

Muna Abdel Aziz provided a verbal overview of the Locality Plan/ JSSNA in Salford via a PowerPoint presentation, including details, as follows:

- the JSSNA is Salford's RoadMap for the Salford Locality Plan.
- the distinction between the Health and Social Care Scrutiny Panel and the Health and Well-being Board is that the former has a health and social care focus whereas the latter focuses upon the Great 8 (and adopts an asset-based approach).
- that it's important the Health and Social Care Scrutiny Panel see's sight of the Health and Well-being Board meeting papers for information.

- for 2023 Mental Health is the number one top priority across all Salford partnerships.
- MOSAIC data greatly assists with understanding need across a range of characteristics.
- there is a full work programme between now and March 2023.
- feedback would be welcome on the 2022 Salford Health and Well-being Board Annual Report.

Discussion took place in respect of several issues, including:

- Cllr Morris asked what role can scrutiny play in developing the JSSNA and particularly in respect to supporting pensioners who are carers and safeguarding for vulnerable adults? Muna confirmed that the Healthy Aging Review has been recently completed and Aging Well is to be refreshed during 2023, so the issues of supporting pensioners who are carers and safeguarding for vulnerable adults can definitely be incorporated. In addition, MOSAIC can be utilised to provide an insight to both of these issues to.
- Cllr Morris confirmed that at the next meeting of the Panel on 7 December 2022, there would be an Adult Social Care Update item.
- Cllr Boshell queried how current the MOSAIC data was given the current and on-going 'cost of living' crisis? Muna confirmed that the data is updated every 6 months, so that it wasn't keeping pace with the current almost weekly price/cost changes.
- Cllr Boshell asked how do we respond now rather than having to wait for 6 months? Muna reiterated that there were a wide range of 'cost of living resource' for residents from across all partners in Salford.
- Cllr King asked if MOSAIC has helped public health and other services pick-up gaps in provision? How did we monitor this previously? Muna confirmed that MOSAIC was used during COVID-19 to assist services, e.g. highlighting people who had not got their jobs and also certain groups not accessing services.
- Cllr Warmisham welcomed the links in the presentation to various reports, but expressed real concern about the Sexual Health Needs Assessment figures which are horrific and are at rates not known like this for many years, what are we doing on these issues? Muna expressed agreement with the concern on this matter. The 'deep dive' showed that:
  - a) sexual health services aren't located/ accessible to the majority of Salford residents, so we're exploring splitting prevention and intervention service delivery.
  - b) some of our contracts are part of the £16m of cuts (referred to earlier in the meeting), so we'll need to focus more on prevention rather than treatments.
  - c) 60% of the public health budget is being spent on NHS mandated services (i.e. substance misuse and sexual health).
  - d) we need to work harder with contractors rather than partners to achieve this, thereby controlling overheads and working harder to ensure local people get local services.

**ACTION:** Muna Abdel Aziz to provide a more in-depth report on Salford's sexual health to the next panel meeting on 7 December 2022.

**RESOLVED: THAT** the report be noted.

## 7. Winter 2022/23 Flu Preparations (Harry Golby)

Harry Golby gave a verbal update on the Winter 2022/23 Flu Preparations for Salford/ GM, including details, as follows -

- COVID Booster Campaign operating since early September 2022 through to the end of December 2022.
- initially the most vulnerable were encouraged to attend, now everyone who is eligible can access (including some children) – for both COVID and Flu jabs (it's the same cohorts).
- jabs can be got at hospital(s), GP's and community pharmacies, although some venues are different to previous years in Salford, there is more multiple provision.
- in addition, there is a housebound service.
- vaccine supply is good and there are no workforce shortages.
- the aim is to bring both COVID and Flu vaccines together as part of one campaign, but there are some operational barriers, primarily who can administer both vaccines and which venues would participate.
- it terms of how we are doing:
  - Flu jab data is quite robust, with figures available at each month end, so we're a couple of weeks away from receiving the latest figures – however, the week 42 return is slightly ahead of last year for people aged 65+ at 56%.
  - COVID jab data is available on the national website for Salford residents – for those aged 65+ its 75% but for those aged 50+ its much lower (with feedback indicating a downturn in demand).

Discussion took place in respect of several issues, including:

- Cllr Saunders enquired about whether there was any truth in early Flu jabs reports that initially the wrong elements had been included in the vaccine and that they needed to be reconfigured. Harry stated that the vaccines content varied from year to year (depending upon known Flu strains), and that he wasn't aware of any vaccine concerns this year.
- Cllr Saunders asked if he was able to get the 5<sup>th</sup> COVID vaccine if he hadn't had the 4<sup>th</sup> one? Harry confirmed that it was and also to have both the COVID and Flu vaccines together. He mentioned that there are two types of vaccine in the current COVID jab, the Wild Type (original) and ONICROM, although there are always lots of different streams, but that whatever version you have it will protect you from serious illness.
- Cllr Dawson queried statistics in respect of hospital admission rates, which were greatest in children under the age of 4 and adults aged over 80, but that only 16% of jabs have been given to children aged under 4 whereas its 60% for those aged 65+. Harry stated that there are lots of respiratory illnesses in the NHS system (with Flu, COVID and Respiratory Syncytial Viru affecting

children), which is under a lot of pressure and the data is inconsistent – although there is usually a noticeable increase in RSV two weeks after Bon Fire Night.

- Cllr King commented that if there are no broad vaccination targets for the city, is there a focus on targeted cohorts? Harry confirmed that there were no national targets for COVID but for Flu it was for people aged 65+. It's to be noted that the venues for vaccinations have and do alter from year-to-year.
- Cllr Amana-Ghola wasn't surprised by the low take-up, as in terms of accessibility in Cadishead/ Irlam the availability of venue details wasn't well known about and many residents are having to travel outside of the area for their jabs. Harry confirmed that all GP practices in Salford were promoting both COVID and Flu jabs, but that not all GP practices were actually hosting them in their buildings, so for some there could be signposting to other sites nearby or even home visits. Community pharmacies had to sign-up in advance to express an interest in hosting, but it hadn't been possible to get one in Irlam (the one that had expressed an interest didn't meet service delivery criteria).
- Cllr Turner raised a concern about elderly residents in Little Hulton with vaccine appointments having to wait over 30 minutes on arrival at their allotted venue because it was treating both appointments and walk-ins. Harry said that this was a known issue across GM but wasn't prevalent and due to localised staff capacity issues. Cllr Morris suggested that perhaps two queues were introduced at such venues, so that those with booked appointments weren't adversely affected. Harry commented that if someone now walks-in to a venue and is eligible to receive a COVID/ Flu jab he wouldn't expect them to be turned away, which is different to the position at the start of the campaign. He confirmed that Eccles Gateway is offering jabs but wasn't on the website currently, so hopefully that will be resolved this week. Finally, there is to be some additional regional money to try to address some of the low take-up in certain hesitant communities.
- Cllr Warmisham asked what was being done to get the message out to hard to reach/ less engaged groups, for example travellers and English as a second language? Harry confirmed that there was a lot of engagement work across the city with a wide range of communities and cohorts, with WhatsApp group proving useful and new means will continue to be tried.
- Cllr King thought that the co-administration of vaccines was a good idea, but what were some of the complexities and can they be resolved? Harry indicated that there were both national delivery aspects and local delivery aspects, for example who is it that can actually administer a vaccination and that the booking systems for COVID/Flu jabs are not the same nor co-terminus.

**RESOLVED: THAT** the update be noted.

## **8. Minutes of 13 September 2022 Health and Well-being Board – For Information (Muna Abdel Aziz)**

Discussion took place in respect of several issues, including:

- Cllr Boshell asked if members of the public still attended Board meetings and are public questions submitted? Muna stated that both had dropped-off during the COVID pandemic, but the opportunity still remains. In addition, there is a standing item entitled 'People's Story' that showcases an example of public engagement, many being examples of co-production.
- Cllr Morris commented that previously there had been a place for a backbencher on the Board, so wondered if a member of this panel could be added and attend? Muna confirmed that Cllr Turner has been added and that as the meetings are open to the public anyone can attend.

**RESOLVED: THAT** the Minutes of the 13 September 2022 Health and Well-being Board be noted.

### 9. Work Programme 2022/23

The Panel gave consideration to their Work Programme 2022/23.

**RESOLVED: (1) THAT** the work programme be noted.

**(2) THAT** the issues for consideration at the next meeting of this Panel, on 7 December 2022 as detailed below, be noted:

- Adult Social Care Prevention/ Information and Advice/ Wellbeing Update (Mark Albiston/ Paul Walsh),
- Locality Plan/ JSSNA Update – Sexual Health Needs Assessment focus (Muna Abdel Aziz/ May Moonan),
- Minutes of 8 November 2022 Health and Well-being Board (For Information),
- Work Programme 2022/23 (Panel).

**(3) THAT** the following issue is added for future consideration:

- Salford GP providing a view of the service from their perspective (Tom Regan – Salford GP and local clinical leader), and
- North West Ambulance Service Update (Tom Stannard/ tbc).

### 10. Any other business:

There were no items of any other business.

### 11. Date and time of next meeting

**RESOLVED: THAT** the next meeting of this Panel be held on Wednesday 7 December 2022 at 10:00am in the Salford Suite.

Future dates for Panel meetings all in the Salford Suite are:

- 10am Wednesday 1 February 2023,
- 10am Wednesday 1 March 2023, and
- 10am Wednesday 5 April 2023.