Healthwatch Salford Work Planning as of September 2025*

*To be reviewed at monthly team meetings and shared at board meetings

Area of focus	Further detail		
Salford Adolescent Minds	Report published May 2024. Commissioners RAG rated recommendations. Plans imminent to update ICPC meeting on progress.	Plan to produce news article updating on progress and then 'closing' this piece of work. Around October.	
Cervical Screening	Paper produced August 2024 on reduced screening rates at Reuts Medical Practice. As of August 2025, doesn't appear to be any progress on increasing rates.	NHS Quality Salford producing a report on Reuts Medical Practice. Sam has been advised that cervical screening has been included in this report and will be monitored by the PCCC (Primary Care Commissioning Committee)	
PLACE Assessments	'Patient-Led Assessments of the Care Environment'. Staff and volunteers are usually involved in this annual piece of work led by the NHS.		Agreed no involvement this year due to lack of capacity. NHS Salford advised and understood.
Elfwatch	Annual marketing/social media campaign during December. Increases awareness and reach of HWS	Going ahead as December is a quieter month for projects/engagement. Engage volunteers more.	

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Volunteering	Elyse to take over volunteer communication. Sam has contacted Salford CVS to see what support is available ongoing.	Pause volunteer recruitment for now and focus on existing volunteer base. Social Media volunteer role to be implemented. Consider uni placement for research/projects. Drop in event planned to engage with volunteers face to face and learn more about them.		
Men's Mental Health Commission	Review of recommendations due around November time. HWS will then step away from the work of the commission (always been the plan).	Sam to take over as lead/point of contact. Elyse and Ali to support with production of report/paper.		
Dentistry	No work undertaken recently. Not highlighted as a concern via feedback.		No need to dedicate resource to this at the moment. Possible engagement with health navigators via Salford Loaves & Fishes for receipt of ongoing feedback.	
Spotlights	Marketing/social media campaigns completed by Ali and Elyse aligned to awareness days.		Will continue but in a more simplified way.	

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Sexual Health	Project commenced summer 2024. Engagement with groups and feedback previously received. Data started to be pulled together in a report, although no recommendations made.		No capacity to take this on, however, Sam will look into sharing the feedback with public health, so it's still utilised.	
The Vape Debate	Report published in June 2025 with short-, medium- and long-term recommendations	Short term recommendations to be followed up in January 2026. News article to be produced to update on this.		
Silent Voices	Team to work on this collaboratively with Di Critchley. Funding received from NHS GM to host bi-monthly meetings until March 2026.	September meeting to be put back to October. Meetings to continue with team covering. Withdraw from March 2026.		
Enter and View in Mental Health	This has been in our plans for some time; however, resources have been a challenge.			No plans to undertake as yet. Review from April 2026 onwards.
Carers	Carers strategy currently under review.		Ali to continue monitoring progress and actions. Escalate to Sam if required.	

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Veterans	Research tells us that the system often doesn't work for veterans. Salford has a large veteran's presence. Veterans Alliance. Allotments.	Plans to commence a project in March/April 2026 with a view to publishing findings around Armed Forces week in June. Broughton House Care Home have made contact to work with us.		
Weight Management	Lack of service across GM.		Possible collaboration with HW in GM Network. Timescales not yet confirmed,	
Adult Social Care	No details on which area we would focus on. CQC inspection is taking place.			Review from April 2026 onwards.
Men's Cancer Leaflet	Approached by a Salford resident to support with creating a leaflet highlighting the different types of cancer affecting men.	Sam pulling together information and Elyse to design. HWS will sponsor the leaflet including printing costs.		
AGM	Change 25 th November board meeting to AGM	Going ahead with a view to being in person.		
Maternity Voices/Ingleside Birth Centre			Continue to monitor situation.	