Chairs Report Part 1

Chief Officer Transition

Sam started on 21st June. We had previously held two catch up sessions on 16th May and 6th June. This allowed us to consider the (extensive) handover documents and exit report prepared by Alex.

Interim arrangements

I continued with staff 121's until Sam's start. These have been held monthly during the interregnum. This has included reviewing staff monthly monitoring reports (which are shared between all staff now). All has also kept me in touch with progress on the Homecare report, which she has shared with Salford CC and the Northern Care Alliance, and where she's sought to make progress.

I've also continued to look after all payments – approvals through the bank and authorisations for payments including staff salaries, contact with Peninsula and staff HR through Bright HR. These are in the process of being extended to Sam in line with her role. I have agreed Sam being added with Peninsula. Sam and I will update you with progress with Unity Trust and Bright HR at the meeting. I'm also grateful to Jackie for standing in for me during the 2 weeks whilst I was on honeymoon (and thanks for the flowers!).

I also agreed the Information Sharing Agreement with Greater Manchester Mental Health NHS Foundation Trust with Sam as the Caldicott Champion.

We've been informed that Healthwatch England will be withdrawing from CiviCRM (which allows us to share information with HWE) from April 2023. Currently we intend to use Smart Survey, where we already have an account.

Healthwatch in Greater Manchester

I'm pleased to report that Tracey McErlain-Burns has been agreed as Chair for Healthwatch in Greater Manchester. She continues to provide excellent leadership and has sent a Case for Support, a draft Partnership Agreement and a job description for a Chief Officer equivalent role for the new NHS Greater Manchester Integrated Care to consider. We've continued to provide information and support as needed.

Greater Manchester Mental Health NHS Foundation Trust

We received notice that the Trust has been served with a notice by the Care Quality Commission to make immediate safety improvements. The Board will recall that we have two proposed engagement projects on mental health.

Meetings

I'm grateful to Jackie for standing in at and reporting back from the Salford CC Locality Panel Workstream 1 meeting. These workstream meetings are now coming

to a natural end with the creation of the new Locality structures. I'm also grateful to J for attending the Engagement and Inclusion Management Group.

I attended the Health and Social Care Scrutiny Panel meeting (with J) which is now chaired by Cllr Morris, who we know well. This focussed on the priorities for the next year, which will include access to GP services.

We will be reviewing attendance at meetings at the next Liaison meeting.

Future meetings include the Health and Social Care Scrutiny Panel on 6th July, 7th August and 5th September, the Health and Wellbeing Board on 12th July and the Northern Care Alliance Partnership Board on 15th September.

I also met with an independent consultant reviewing the Section 75 agreement for the Northern Care Alliance.