



# Greater Manchester Joint Commissioning Board

Date: 19 January 2021

Subject: Summary Update Report from the Greater Manchester Joint Commissioning

**Board Executive** 

Report of: Rob Bellingham, Managing Director, Greater Manchester Joint

Commissioning Team

## **PURPOSE OF REPORT:**

As members are aware, in the months where the full JCB does not meet, a JCB Executive meeting is held. To ensure proper connectivity from the Executive to the Board, it is proposed that each meeting of the JCB will receive a summary of the work done via the Executive.

## **PROGRESS UPDATE:**

Since the last meeting of the JCB in October, the Executive met on the 17<sup>th</sup> November 2020 and 15<sup>th</sup> December 2020.

## **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

The Greater Manchester Joint Commissioning Board is asked to formally receive and approve the Record of Key Decisions made by the JCB Executive during November and December.

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# **GM JOINT COMMISSIONING BOARD EXECUTIVE - RECORD OF DECISIONS**

JCB EXECUTIVE – 17 <sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2020				
Covid 19 Response Update	The report provided an update on how the Health and Social Care system in GM is responding to the COVID-19 crisis. The report covered key developments in our COVID-19 response over the last month.	The Executive noted the content of the report.		
GM Health and Partnership Review – Update for JCB members	As members are aware, we are currently engaged in a review process relating to the next steps for our Health and Social Care Partnership. The following reports had been produced to update JCB members on the work undertaken since we last met and next steps: -  Briefing note following the GM Partnership Executive Board on 30th October 2020 GM Health and Social Care Partnership Review – Proposal and Next Steps	The Executive: -  Noted the content of the update reports  Supported the proposals for leading and progressing the 5 key areas of work  Confirmed the intended timeline for completion  Supported the approach to facilitating system development		
Joint Commissioning Team – Work Programme Update	In May 2020, the JCBE received a paper setting out the GM Joint Commissioning Team's work streams and priorities in light of the Covid-19 pandemic. The paper provided a further update in this regard, setting out updates on existing programmes, as well as an update on proposed additional pieces of work.	Noted the update and approved the actions set out in Section 2 of the report including the Terms of Reference for the review of Assisted Conception Services.		
JCB EXECUTIVE − 15 <sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2020				
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Future Direction of the GM Health and Social Care Partnership	As members are aware, we are currently engaged in a review process relating to the next steps for our Health and Social Care Partnership. The following reports had been produced to update JCB members on the work undertaken since we last met and next steps: -  • National "Integrating Care" paper – summary and implications for GM  • GM Health and Social Care Partnership Review – Proposal and Next Steps	<ul> <li>Noted the content of the update reports.</li> <li>Agreed to the proposed next steps and timeline for completing this work to ensure we provide a GM response</li> </ul>
GM Improving Specialist Care Programme Update	There were two key areas for consideration by the JCB Executive: -  1. Extension of the pause to the GM Improving Specialist Care (ISC) Programme until 30 March 2021  The key points of the requirements for an extension to the pause were provided in Appendix 1 of the report.  2. Review of the urgency for re-starting to address fragile or unsustainable services within the scope of ISC  It was proposed that we undertake a rapid review of the status of the following services:  • Breast Surgery, Benign Urology, Vascular Surgery, Paediatric Surgery and Medicine  The outcomes of the review, to be undertaken from January 2021, would be:  1. To determine the level of urgency for re-starting business case development for each individual service — with the exception of the Paediatric Medicine Model of Care which was at a less advanced stage and requires further work before the business case stage.  2. To provide evidence for the JCB to support re-starting the	<ol> <li>Supported the continued pause of the GM Improving Specialist Care Programme until 30 March 2021.</li> <li>Considered the future implications and risks this brings to the services in the scope of the Programme.</li> <li>Supported the proposal to undertake a rapid review of the status of Breast Surgery, Benign Urology, Vascular Surgery, Paediatric Surgery and Medicine and provide an update report to the February 2021 JCB Executive.</li> </ol>

	work where it is agreed to be urgent.	
	3. To re-start work to resolve the historic issues of fragile, unsustainable specialist services - where the issues have persisted through the Covid-19 pandemic and the systemwide changes which have taken place during 2020.	
	In brief, the review would recognise that changes had taken place across the system, collaboration and restoration of services were a more dominant focus and very recently the funding and planned commencement of changes under 'Healthier Together' had been confirmed. Many aspects of the models of care proposed through the ICS Programme were predicated on the funding of the Healthier Together business case.	
	The scope would be – subject to confirmation by JCB:	
	<ul> <li>Breast Surgery, Benign Urology, Vascular Surgery, Paediatric Surgery and Medicine</li> <li>The GM Health and Care system</li> <li>Potential impact of Healthier Together from 1 April 2021</li> <li>View of patients, clinical leaders, providers, commissioners and regulators</li> <li>Current and prospective specialist service provision</li> <li>Quality and safety, accessibility, workforce and financial sustainability indicators</li> <li>The proposal brief was outlined in Appendix 2 of the report.</li> </ul>	
Mental Health Commissioning Update	The briefing provided an update on NHS-Led Provider Collaboratives for Mental Health Specialised Services in Greater Manchester as they move into the next stage of development.	Noted the content of the update report and joint work that had taken place to date regarding the development of Provider Collaboratives.

Specialised Commissioning	
Update	

NHS England and Improvement (NHSEI) have set out recommendations to changes in legislation to devolve direct commissioning functions to local systems by April 2022. This will see the closer alignment of NHSEI's direct commissioning responsibilities with the strategic commissioning functions of systems. The paper was intended to frame a discussion in GM to be taken forward over the coming weeks and months.

Whilst we are expecting a roadmap for the transition to these new enhanced roles, the GM Specialised Commissioning Oversight Group (GMSCOG) had started to explore potential candidate areas for collaborative commissioning that will build assurance of the 'readiness' of the GM system for specialised commissioning responsibilities as these become statutory. The next step is to join up plans and test this new way of working and move away from activity-based commissioning.

The paper described the steps we can take to move forward with early candidate areas for system level commissioning to trial new financial arrangements in 2021/22 to simplify contracting and financial processes.

#### The Executive:

- Noted the key changes to the current financial framework that NHS England and Improvement is considering introducing for 2021/22 across specialised commissioning to be considered in GM system conversations over coming weeks and months.
- Supported the continued development of early candidate areas for GM system level commissioning via the GM Specialised Commissioning Oversight Group.
- Supported the proposal to trial new financial arrangements in 2021/22 to simplify contracting and financial processes.
- Supported the inclusion of Specialised Commissioned Services in GM recovery planning to ensure that we are working collectively to plan for recovery of services equitably both within localities and at specialty level.