Update on the Independent review - Greater Manchester Mental Health NHS Foundation Trust

Update from Professor Oliver Shanley OBE - June 2023

The review team wanted to provide an update on the progress of our work in the Trust to date. We would like to express our gratitude to everyone who has taken time to speak to us so far. People have been so generous with their time, sharing insights and experiences with us that, for some, have been difficult and distressing.

The independent review team has now met with approximately 200 people since the commencement of the work. The first phase of the review was a process of exploring what has happened in the Trust, notably at the Edenfield Centre. This involved listening to people with a lived experience of using forensic mental health services, families, carers, stakeholders, and staff.

The next phase of the review will include further site visits, interviews with key individuals across the Trust, and with experts by experience, families and carers. The review team will also be undertaking a small number of deep dives across the Trust to explore the learning arising from serious incidents.

The review team continue to work to produce a report by the end of September 2023 in line with their terms of reference.