

THE INDEPENDENT REVIEW INTO MATERNITY SERVICES AT THE SHREWSBURY AND TELFORD HOSPITAL NHS TRUST HAS RELEASED A VIDEO ENCOURAGING STAFF TO COME FORWARD AND SHARE THEIR VIEWS

The Independent Maternity Review has today (Wednesday 19 May) published a video message calling on staff past and present, at the Shrewsbury and Telford Hospital NHS Trust, to share their experiences of working at the Trust.

The video message hopes to encourage staff to come forward and support the work of the Independent Maternity Review by ensuring that both family voices and staff voices are heard and represented within the next report of the Independent Review of Maternity Services at the Shrewsbury and Telford Hospital NHS Trust.

The first report of the Independent Maternity Review - Emerging Findings and Recommendations - published on 10 December 2020 focused on Local Actions for Learning for the Trust and Immediate and Essential Actions for the wider maternity system. The second report hopes to include the views of staff past and present at the Trust.

The review team would like to hear from staff who have worked in any role within maternity services at any of the Shrewsbury and Telford Hospitals, between 2000 and the present day.

Donna Ockenden, Chair of the Independent Maternity Review, said:

“We want to hear from anyone who worked in maternity services. If you are either a current or former member of staff employed to work directly in maternity services at the Trust, I would encourage you to take part in this survey.

Donna added: “In the first report, anonymised short case studies of families’ experiences were included. The second report will seek to do the same with both anonymised family experiences and anonymised staff voices. Maintaining the anonymity of everyone (staff and families) who contribute to the review is essential and is taken very seriously within the review process.”

Staff can take part in a questionnaire survey to capture their views and experiences. Staff voices are an important part of the Independent Maternity Review. They will help the review team's understanding of what it was or is like working in maternity services at Shrewsbury and Telford Hospital NHS Trust at any time between 2000 until now.

All responses to the survey will be confidential. There will also be opportunities to participate in more detailed, confidential conversations, with review team members if staff wish.

If you would like to participate in the survey or have any questions, you can contact the Independent Review Team in confidence at staffvoices@donnaockenden.com

A link to the video can be found here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gMuOwzp7SDQ>