

## Board of Directors (in Public)

### Item 6.1.2a

**Subject:** CMAST Leadership Board CiC Key Issues Report  
**Date of Meeting:** 30<sup>th</sup> April 2024  
**Presented by:** Liz Bishop, Chief Executive Officer  
**Meeting Held:** 5<sup>th</sup> April 2024  
**Attended by:** Liz Bishop, Chief Executive Officer

This report sets out the key assurances, risks and actions from the recent CMAST (Cheshire and Merseyside Acute and Specialist Trust) Leadership Board Committee in Common (CiC) meeting. Areas for escalation to the Board of Directors are included below as required.

### 1. Summary

CMAST Leadership Board met on 5th April and discussed 3 significant areas of business. As follows:

The first related to the policy of Right Care, Right Person and consequential actions and the impact such initiatives were having on hospital flow and in particular emergency departments. An open and frank exchange of experiences took place in the presence of a senior ICB officer.

The Leadership Board was next updated on the process of Trust decision making related to the LIMS Business Case. An FBC and supporting documentation is due at the five C&M 'core' Trusts in April. All present acknowledged the significant benefit and enabling impact of a LIMS system but also the challenging timing given operational and financial pressures.

Finally, a significant portion of the meeting was used to discuss and explore current financial requirements, plans and risk mitigations for the 2024/5 C&M Plan. The group's discussion focussed on opportunities for significant further system savings in both the short and medium term.

The Board's next meeting expects to welcome Trust Chairs as well as CEOs with a view to signing-off priorities and programme commitments for 2024/5.

### 2. Recommendations

The Board of Directors is asked to **note** the update.