

## Exciting things going on at the LMNS

Welcome to the first official newsletter from the Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent Maternity Transformation Programme!

The Local Maternity and Neonatal System (LMNS) is working hard to improve care and health outcomes for women, babies and families within Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent, and here's just a fraction of what you can expect from us moving forward...

[This month we'd like to introduce the Maternity Team, along with the fabulous Maternity Voices Partnership \(MVP\).](#)

### Who's who in the LMNS Pg.2

Meet the Maternity Transformation Programme team, a mix of midwives and non-clinical staff who are working to help the women of Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent deliver safely.

### The Maternity Voices Partnership (MVP)pg.3

Are you interested in hearing more about the MVP? Or maybe you're thinking of becoming an MVP Champion for Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent?

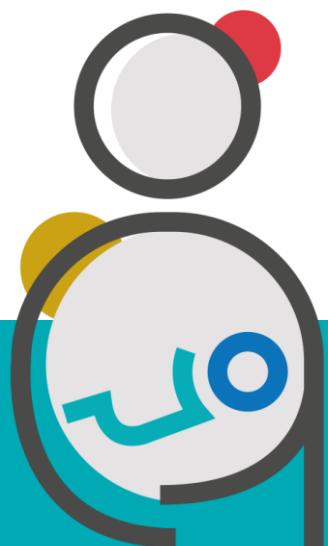
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### Who's who in the LMNS?



#### Lead Midwife for Maternity Transformation, Ali Budd

My role as the Lead Midwife for the Maternity Transformation Programme is to provide senior clinical and strategic leadership. I support the Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent Maternity

Transformation Programme to deliver the maternity vision and priorities.

#### Senior Programme Manager, Daniel Pickford

I am the Senior Programme Manager for the Maternity Transformation Programme. My role is to oversee the implementation of the recommendations from the National Maternity Review Better Births 2016 on a local level across Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent.



#### LMNS Midwife, Emma Hubball

My role in the LMNS is to work with the maternity transformation team to ensure the recommendations from Better Births and the NHS Five Year Plan are implemented and embedded into the care provided to the women of Staffordshire and

Stoke-on-Trent. A key work stream is Continuity of Carer.

I trained as a nurse with Keele University after leaving school in 1999, I then went on to complete my midwifery training in 2004.

#### LMNS Midwife, Claire Davies

I have worked in various roles as a Midwife, ranging from local to national roles. These roles have underpinned my passion for quality and improvement, leading to enhanced safety for women, babies and their families.



My role within the Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent Maternity Transformation Programme (MTP) is as a Local Maternity and Neonatal System Midwife. I support, develop and implement work streams, which are identified within Better Births.

I am married to Marc, and have three children Amelia, Noah and Alivia. My interests included walking with the family and our two dogs, Penny and Lola.

#### Senior Data Analyst, Bethan Samuels

I capture, process, and analyse anonymised data that has been collected on expectant mothers (and baby) throughout their care in the maternity services. Our overall aim for collecting this data is to look at ways to improve maternity services to women in Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent.



Following the National Maternity Review: Better Births (2016) and the NHS Long Term Plan (2019), a number of targets were established for maternity services. Part of my role is to monitor these and determine whether they are on track to be met.

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### Project Support Assistant, Laura Morgan

I provide executive level support to the Lead Midwife, as well as the Maternity Transformation Programme as a whole.

My role includes responsibilities such as administering each of the workstream meetings. I also align the workstreams by helping streamline the governance processes, as required by the

CCG and the Maternity Transformation Programme.



### Maternity Voices Partnership (MVP) Lead, Helen Carr

My aim is to recruit MVP Champions (volunteers) and together we engage and communicate with maternity service users across Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent.

I am not clinical although I feel like I am an honorary midwife!

### What is a Maternity Champion?

Champions are volunteers (who are also maternity service users) who communicate and engage with maternity service users.

Pre-COVID-19 this would include gathering feedback from parent and toddler groups, children's centres, libraries, leisure centres and antenatal clinics. It would also include feedback from out in the community and in the hospitals and postnatal wards. We also gather feedback on whether local families are choosing services outside of the Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent area and their reasons for this.

The MVP champions are involved with co-production and contribute towards the transformation of Local Maternity and Neonatal Systems. Feedback will include experiences (positive and negative) from the beginning of pregnancy and beyond birth. From time to time there will be a particular focus/ theme, which we may ask you to gain feedback on, such as use of maternity digital notes, breastfeeding etc. The aim is to gather as much feedback as possible. This is then collated to enable themes and trends to be discovered and fed back to providers and other system partners.

Find out more [here](#).

### What is the MVP?

In 2015 a national review was carried out into maternity services. The review report, Better Births was published in 2016. In response to the report and its recommendations, NHS England advised that Local Maternity and Neonatal Systems (LMNS') should be established. Therefore, Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent LMNS was established in 2017.

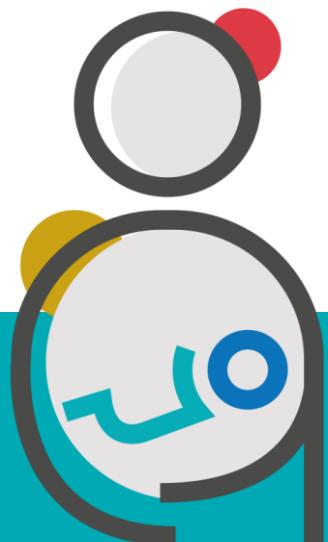
Maternity Voices Partnership (MVP) is one of five workstreams sitting within the Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent Maternity Transformation Programme.

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## What is the LMNS?

## Who are we?

You're invited to come and meet with us (albeit virtually) to find out!  
We would like to invite you to a set of informal drop-in sessions being held by the Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent Maternity Transformation Programme.

The sessions are being held on:

- Monday 1st February 2021 12:30 – 13:00
- Tuesday 2nd February 2021 12:30 – 13:00
- Wednesday 3rd February 2021 12:30 – 13:00
- Thursday 4th February 2021 13:00 – 13:30
- Friday 5th February 2021 12:30 – 13:00

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

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We hope to see lots of you there.

And watch this space for more lunchtime learning sessions from us!



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