



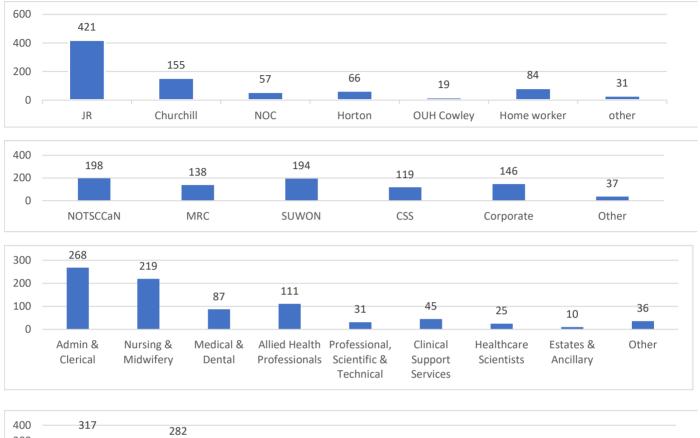
# FREEDOM TO SPEAK UP

**REVIEW 2021** 

Summary Analysis of Survey Responses

832 responses were received, from a cross-section of staff.

The charts below show the representation from all sites, divisions, staff groups and pay bands



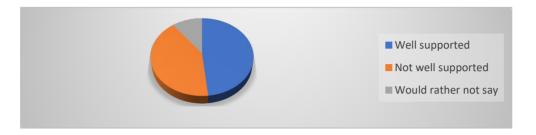
- - >17% of respondents were night shift workers
  - o 27% of respondents were Line Managers
  - >17%\* described their ethnicity as BAME (\*in answer to a question added after the Survey was launched, representing a sub-set of 60% of all responses received)
- >87% of respondents said they were aware of the FtSU service



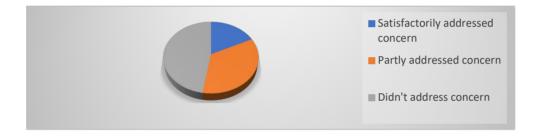
### Hearing from those who have experienced speaking up

• Approx. 18% of respondents (1 in 6) said they had spoken up to raise a concern of whom, overall

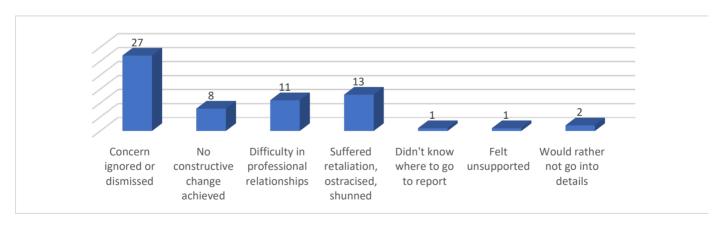
Almost 50% said they had felt well supported;



18% said their concern had been satisfactorily addressed, a further 35% said their concern had been addressed in part; 47% said their concern had not been addressed



Around one third of those who had spoken up (representing 6% of all respondents) said they experienced difficulties as a result of raising a concern; some recounting multiple difficulties.

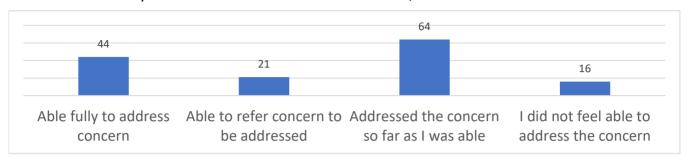


1 in 7 of the difficulties experienced by those respondents were characterised as:

- retaliation, being ostracised, shunned; or
- difficulty in maintaining professional relationships.

### Hearing from those who have responded to a concern raised

- Approx. 17% of respondents said they had been asked to respond to a concern, of whom:
  - 44% said they had been able to address the concern in full, or refer the matter appropriately
  - 45% said they had addressed the concern so far as they were able;
  - 11% said they did not feel able to address the concern, and did not know where to refer it.

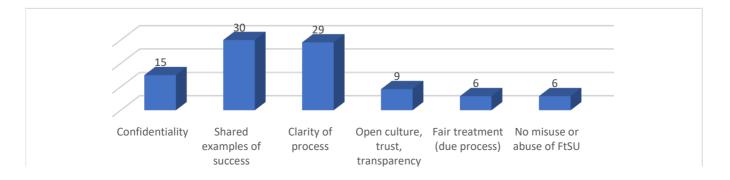


### What will encourage staff to speak up?

• Many people agreed about what would most encourage them to speak up if they had a concern; the in the 'Top 5' of more than half of all respondents were:



- Almost a quarter of respondents commented further (in free text) on what would encourage them to speak up; many comments underscored support for the measures already mentioned; novel suggestions included:
  - Sharing examples to demonstrate where speaking up had a positive impact; and Clarifying the process (including protection against abuse of process), and what may reasonably be expected of it.



Further feedback	
•	20% of respondents provided further general feedback (in free text), to raise points including:
	The importance of raising awareness and improving accessibility of the FtSU service; and
	Training and education for staff.
•	The importance of identifying themes in concerns raised
	was rated highly by respondents, at <b>4.72</b> average (on a scale of 5).
•	The importance of Trust providing feedback on concerns raised
	was rated highly by respondents, at <b>4.76</b> average (on a scale of 5).