



SANDWELL SAFEGUARDING ADULTS BOARD

STRATEGIC PLAN & WORK PROGRAMME REVIEW FOR 2017-18

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INTRODUCTION

With the implementation of the Care Act from April 2015 each Local Authority (which has the lead responsibility) has set up a Safeguarding Adults Board (SAB). The statutory guidance states that “the main objective of a SAB is to assure itself that local safeguarding arrangements and partners act to help and protect adults in its area who meet the criteria” (for safeguarding). This Plan builds on the previous work by the Sandwell Safeguarding Adults Board.

One of the duties of the Board is to produce a Strategic Plan and Annual Report. The Plan should be published each year but can cover 3-5 years. The statutory guidance states that the Plan “must set out how it will help adults in its area and what actions each member of the SAB will take to deliver the strategic plan and protect better.”

This Plan the fourth revision covering the period of 2017-18 however, it sits within an over-arching three-year Strategic Plan (2015-18) under the Care Act Provision for Sandwell. It has been consulted upon with Healthwatch and will be shared with representatives of people who use services through various groups and forums. It is also available in an Easy Read version. This plan also incorporates an agreed Prevention of Violence and Exploitation theme “Support victims of violence and exploitation and enable their recovery” developed in conjunction with the Police, Health & Wellbeing Board, Community Safety Partnership, DASP and the SSCB. The key actions have been adopted and are shown in the existing sub-group priorities. The SSAB Operations Manager is a member of the Prevention of Violence and Exploitation (PoVE) Task and Finish Group ensuring effective coordination, contribution and development on both agenda’s. The actions agreed on the PoVe Action Plan to support the identified theme are reflected in the work plans of the sub-groups of SSAB.



The Plan will be complemented by an Annual Report in which the SAB and its members (particularly Sandwell MBC, West Midlands Police, Sandwell and West Birmingham Clinical Commissioning Group [the 3 funding partners], and NHS Trusts) report on their contribution to implementing and delivering the Strategic Plan. Each statutory agency will be accountable to the Board on their progress and contribution to the Strategic Plan.

This Plan has three sections, which relate to the three sub-groups of the main Board:

- Prevention, Learning & Development – how do we raise awareness in the community and prevent abuse or neglect occurring? And how do we equip all staff and the community to recognise, report and manage abuse/neglect?
- Quality and Excellence – how do we monitor the quality of care and make sure safeguarding practice is of a high quality?
- Protection – how do we protect people who have been abused or are at risk of abuse or neglect and learn from events?

Each section lists priority actions, expected outcomes, measures, dates and the relevant organisations and lead people for each priority action.

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SANDWELL SAFEGUARDING ADULTS BOARD STRATEGIC PLAN PRIORITIES FOR 2017/18

SUB GROUP: Prevention, Learning & Development

	PRIORITY DESCRIPTION (what actions are proposed?)	PROPOSED IMPACT/OBJECTIVE (what do we hope to improve/change?)	WHAT IS THE MEASURE? (how will we know we've been successful?)	BY WHEN?	RELEVANT ORGANISATIONS/ (LEAD PEOPLE)	PROGRESS TO DATE
1.	To continue and develop a specific campaign focus with the aim of continued improvement of awareness of safeguarding and what to 'do' if you 'see something' with a considered focus on prevention of violence and a community based campaign encouraging people to be good neighbours	Greater awareness of safeguarding issues which are the subject of the campaigns.	Hold an event with partners and relevant agencies to measure success. measurement could be based on numbers following social media campaign. -Increased number of concerns.	Campaign and event to coincide with conference October 2017.	Chair of Prevention sub-group SSAB Lead Officer Business Support Sub-group members	Task and Finish group identified to plan conference
2.	Enable the identification of effective support to be delivered in a timely fashion including oversight of the provision of support to victims of violence.	Increase understanding of prevention services available throughout the borough and referral pathways.	Increased knowledge of prevention services and increase in number of referrals to services.	To form conference presentations and information October 2017	Chair SSAB Lead Officer Sub Group Members	



3.	To facilitate a conference in October 2017 with a prevention focus to consider: 1)What is adult safeguarding 2)What is Adult Safeguarding criteria 3)Who are the support agencies that can be signposted to if client does not meet criteria 4)Current campaigns including See something, Do Something, SCAMS and Good Neighbour campaign	Build greater links between agencies across the borough so ideas are shared and support agencies identified The prevention offer is demonstrated and celebrated Evidence changes in practice via Best Practice Forums	Case studies evidencing greater multi agency involvement and improved outcomes for adults with additional support needs	October 2017.	Chair of Prevention sub-group Sub-group Chair SSAB Lead Officer Business Support Sub-group members Partners as appropriate	
4.	See Prevention of Violence & Exploitation Theme.	Measure progress of actions against theme	Base line to be established in terms of what is happening	September 2017	Chair of Prevention sub-group SSAB Lead Officer	
5.	Scoping exercise identifying range of prevention work happening within statutory services and wider community. Mapping work to take place	Gaps in mapping work identify either commissioning opportunities or areas where community assets need to be developed	Map will reflect all agencies prevention work and also include prevention initiatives happening within communities. Any gaps will be identified for further development	Proposed start date July 2017 with a completion date of October 2017 in line with conference theme	Chair of Prevention sub-group SSAB Lead Officer Business Support SMBC colleagues Sub Group Members	



<p>6.</p>	<p>Work with partners to ensure that there is collaboration on identifying learning and development needs and how they should be met</p> <p>Improved recording of learning and development activity and evaluation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review data collection methods for L&D <p>Increase the scope of data collection</p>	<p>Engage with partners more effectively</p> <p>Single agency training template to be sent out again & results brought back to Prevention</p> <p>Provide better evidence of the impact of learning and development with greater confidence and ownership of the data</p>	<p>Improved attendance at the Learning and Development Network meetings</p> <p>Participation in Task and Finish Groups</p> <p>Proactive rather than a reactive relationship</p> <p>Agreed recording and evaluation reported to the Board</p>	<p>Assess the impact of merging the Prevention and Learning & Development sub groups by Nov 2017</p> <p>Confirm data collection route in conjunction with other users by November 2017</p> <p>Build upon the evaluation statistics</p> <p>Look to extend collection methods</p>	<p>SSAB Lead Officer</p> <p>Prevention sub-group</p> <p>Chair</p> <p>Sub-group members</p> <p>Task & Finish Group</p> <p>SSAB Business Manager</p> <p>Chair</p> <p>SSAB Lead Officer</p> <p>SSCB L & D</p> <p>DASP L & D</p> <p>ASC L&D</p> <p>Business Support</p>	
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SUB GROUP: Quality and Excellence

	PRIORITY DESCRIPTION (what actions are proposed?)	PROPOSED IMPACT/OBJECTIVE (what do we hope to improve/change?)	HOW MEASURE? (how will we know we've been successful?)	BY WHEN?	RELEVANT ORGANISATIONS/ LEAD PEOPLE	PROGRESS TO DATE
1.	A re-launch of the sub-group with all statutory partners fully represented.	Agreement of assurance tools, compliance with data gathering and action to improve adult safeguarding in Sandwell.	Improved attendance and action plan.	Ongoing	All members of the board	
2.	Develop new performance framework dashboard to reflect quantitative and qualitative data required to give the Board (SSAB) assurance of safeguarding quality and processes	Board assurance	Production of meaningful data – both qualitative and quantitative to tell the “story” of adult safeguarding in Sandwell – reported quarterly to the Board to be reflected in robust commentary	Ongoing on a quarterly basis Dashboard to go to October 2017 Board for approval	All members of the board Sub-group Chair SSAB Lead Officer Business Support Partners as appropriate Data Team	



	Support the development of service user engagement forum and engagement plan					
3.	To monitor the appropriate use of the Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards (DoLS)	The Board is assured about the application of the DoLS	Via twice yearly reports from the Supervisory Body to the Board	Annually	DoLS' Sub group	
4.	Monitor the implementation of Making Safeguarding Personal and the impact for service users. Ensure the appropriate use of advocacy.	To improve the experience of safeguarding activity for service users building on coproduced assessments and risk management including positive risk taking	By using qualitative data and engaging service users in the development of a service user engagement plan	Development plan Mar 2018	Sub-group Chair SSAB Lead Officer Business Support Partners as appropriate Sub Group Members	



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SUB GROUP: Protection

	PRIORITY DESCRIPTION (what actions are proposed?)	PROPOSED IMPACT/OBJECTIVE (what do we hope to improve/change?)	HOW MEASURE? (how will we know we've been successful?)	BY WHEN?	RELEVANT ORGANISATIONS/ LEAD PEOPLE	PROGRESS TO DATE
1.	Care Act Readiness – ensure local policies and procedures are rewritten in line with West Midlands guidelines and agreed by the Board	Compliance with Care Act requirements by all partners	New policies and procedures agreed by the Board	Ongoing	Safeguarding Manager/ SSAB Lead Officer	
2.	Launch Safeguarding Adult Reviews Procedures	Have a clear referral pathway and operational understanding of the criteria for Serious Adult Reviews.	Number of reviews undertaken	Ongoing	Safeguarding Manager/ SSAB Lead Officer Sub-group members	



	Arrange for Safeguarding Adult Reviews (SARs) to be undertaken as required – produce reports and action plans as a result	To improve practice as a result of lessons learnt from any Review(s)	Reviews undertaken as required – reported to the Board to confirm learning from review(s)	As and when required	Safeguarding Manager/ SSAB Lead Officer Sub-group members	
3.	Ensure clear position of trust process in place across all agencies	To ensure effective reporting and monitor safeguarding	Audit of processes and procedures		Safeguarding Manager SSAB Lead Officer Sub-group	