

LEICESTERSHIRE SAFER COMMUNITIES STRATEGY BOARD

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Leicestershire and Rutland Local Safeguarding Children's Board (LSCB) and Safeguarding Adults Boards (SAB) Business Plan 2017/18

Introduction

1. This report provides an update on work undertaken by the Leicestershire and Rutland LSCB and SAB, particularly in respect of the development of Business Plan priorities for 2017/18.

Background

2. The role of both the LSCB and SAB is to seek assurance that effective safeguarding is coordinated across the partnership and seeks to do this through appropriate scrutiny and challenge.
3. Both the LSCB and SAB have a statutory duty to produce a Business Plan and have continued our approach to business planning focusing on areas that we have identified as priorities for development and improvement.
4. The Safeguarding Boards have an arrangement in place with the Community Safety Partnerships to carry out Domestic Homicide Reviews within the review framework of the Boards.

Independent Chair

5. Simon Westwood commenced as the Independent Chair of the Leicestershire and Rutland LSCB and SAB in April 2017 following Paul Burnett stepping down at the end of March 2017.
6. Simon is meeting key partners and groups as part of his induction and will discuss his role and the Safeguarding Boards' links with Community Safety Partnerships in the meeting.

Safeguarding Board's priorities 2017/18

7. The specific priorities that have arisen for the LRSAB are:

Development Priority	Summary
1. Prevention	Assurance regarding safeguarding elements of local prevention strategies and developing

	community awareness
2. Making Safeguarding Personal (MSP)	Continuing development of MSP across partners
3. Thresholds	Identifying and addressing gaps regarding over and under-reporting
4. Self-Neglect	Establishing and embedding a robust process for practitioners to respond to self-neglect

8. The specific priorities that have arisen for the LRLSCB are:

Development Priority	Summary
1. CSE, Trafficking & Missing (Missing and online safety)	Developing assurance regarding missing children process and intervention and developing online safety responses.
2. Safeguarding Children with Disabilities	Assessing organisational responses and safeguarding risk understanding with regard to these children and their families.
3. Signs of Safety	Further embedding this approach across the partnership, particularly in schools.

9. The priorities that have arisen for the part of the Business Plan shared between the LRSAB and the LRLSCB are:

Development Priority	Summary
1. The 'Trilogy of Risk'	Assessing approaches to safeguarding adults and children where domestic abuse, substance misuse and mental health issues are present.
2. Participation and Engagement	Establishing visible effective participation by children and vulnerable adults at Board level.
3. Emotional Health & Wellbeing	Develop understanding of emotional health and well-being across the partnership and gain assurance regarding Better Care Together (BCT) and the Sustainable Transformation Plan (STP) that work is addressing safeguarding issues, particularly re: mental health
4. Multi-Agency risk management / Supervision	Develop a multi-agency supervision approach for risk management in safeguarding adults and children.

10. These priorities incorporate improvement plans following recommendations from the Ofsted Inspection in November 2016, in which the LSCB was rated as 'Good'. More detailed plans are available upon request and on the Safeguarding Boards' website www.lrsb.org.uk.
11. The main links with the Leicestershire Safer Communities Strategy Board are with regard to the joint priority of the Trilogy of Risk, though there are joint areas of concern in other priorities.

12. Each priority will be led by Senior Officers in partner agencies, the Trilogy of Risk priority will be led by DCI Jonny Starbuck.
13. None of the priorities have been identified as being specific to any geographic area within Leicestershire or Rutland.

Domestic Homicide Reviews

14. The Board office has completed two Domestic Homicide Reviews on behalf of the Community Safety Partnerships in Leicestershire during 2016/17 these are with the National Panel at the Home Office awaiting feedback. An alternative Domestic Review is underway and nearing completion, and another Domestic Homicide Review is commencing.

Recommendations

15. It is recommended that:
 - a) The Board notes the priorities of the Leicestershire & Rutland Safeguarding Adults and Children Boards
 - b) The Board comments on the priorities of the Leicestershire & Rutland Safeguarding Adults and Children Boards and opportunities to work together.

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