

Although a formal committee of the city council, the Health & Wellbeing Board has a remit which includes matters relating to the Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG), the Local Safeguarding Board for Children and Adults as well as Healthwatch. Papers come from a variety of sources. The format for Health & Wellbeing Board papers is consequently different from papers submitted to the city council for exclusive city council business.

1. Adult Safeguarding Board's Annual Business Plan

- 1.1. The contents of this paper can be shared with the general public.
- 1.2 This paper is for the Health & Wellbeing Board meeting on the 15th March 2016
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2. Summary

2.1 This is the Business Plan for the Brighton & Hove Safeguarding Adults Board (LSAB), for the period of April 2016 to April 2019. In April 2015 adult safeguarding boards became statutory under Care Act legislation. This is the first Business Plan under the new statutory arrangements to be developed with the Board and the new Independent Chair of the Board in Brighton & Hove. The LSAB met in September 2015 for a development day, where the priorities were identified. A first draft of this Business Plan was developed from this day, and was presented to the LSAB for comment at the Board in December 2015. This final draft is for agreement and sign off at the Board on 7th March 2016.

This Business Plan denotes the Board's vision, the priority areas to meet this vision, the work objectives, and accountability. The Business Plan will be reviewed and updated as a work in progress at each quarterly Board meeting.

3. Decisions, recommendations and any options

- 3.1 The LSAB Business Plan is presented to the Health and Wellbeing Board for information.
- 3.2 That the Board note the LSAB Business Plan 2016/19

4. Relevant information

- 4.1. Brighton & Hove City Council Adult Social Care is the statutory lead for the co-ordination of work for safeguarding adults at risk from harm and abuse. If there is a concern or an allegation made that a vulnerable adult may be being harmed, the lead role for co-ordinating any enquiry into this rests with Adult Social Care.
- 4.2. The Brighton & Hove Safeguarding Adults Board is multi agency with representation from all statutory organisations, and representation from local groups and organisations who have an interest in safeguarding issues for adults at risk. The LSAB takes a strategic lead in planning work to ensure vulnerable citizens are safeguarded from harm, abuse or exploitation.
- 4.3. On April 2015 the Care Act came into force, making Safeguarding Adults Boards statutory, with 3 statutory member organisations, Police, Clinical Commissioning Groups and the Local Authority. A requirement under the Care act is for Safeguarding Adult Boards to produce a strategic plan that sets out its main objectives, and how these are to be met. Progress of this plan must be noted in the LSAB's annual report, which is to be published. Brighton & Hove Safeguarding Adults Board has an Independent Chair, Graham Bartlett.

5. Important considerations and implications

Legal:

5.1 As described in the body of this report The Adult Safeguarding Board performs a statutory function under the Care Act 2014. This Report and the associated Business Plan is for noting only by



Health and Wellbeing Board as the Committee with responsibility for overseeing and monitoring Adult Social Care in the City.

Lawyer consulted: Sandra O'Brien Date: 29/02/2016

Finance:

5.2 The actions within the Business Plan will be delivered within the partnership budget for the Safeguarding Adults Board.

Finance Officer consulted: Anne Silley Date: 25/02/2016

Equalities:

5.3 There are no specific equalities issues for the HWB in relation to this report. An Equality Impact assessment has been carried out for safeguarding work. Positive joint working in this area will ensure that the most vulnerable citizens are supported to access the justice system, and will improve prevention of harm and abuse.

Sustainability:

5.4 The LSAB is a statutory requirement and is required to be resourced.

Health, social care, children's services and public health:

5.5 The vision of the LSAB is to enable citizens of Brighton & Hove to live a life free from fear, harm and abuse. The five priority areas address this, and aim to improve outcomes and wellbeing for vulnerable adults.

6. Supporting documents and information

6.1 LSAB Business Plan 2016/19

