

<b>HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD</b>			
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## **1. Purpose**

- 1.1 This report and accompanying copy of the Lewisham Safeguarding Adults Board (LSAB) Annual Report for 2018-19 demonstrates the work that continues to be delivered by the Board and partner agencies to safeguard adults in Lewisham.

## **2. Background**

- 2.1 The LSAB brings together a wide range of agencies from across the borough to ensure that there is a joined-up approach to adult Safeguarding.

## **3. Policy Context**

- 3.1 Safeguarding is about people and organisations working together to prevent and stop both the risks and experience of abuse or neglect, while at the same time making sure that the adult's wellbeing is promoted including, where appropriate, having regard to their views, wishes, feelings and beliefs in deciding on any action.
- 3.2 Local authorities are required to: lead a multi-agency local adult safeguarding system; making or causing enquiries to be made where there is a safeguarding concern; hosting Safeguarding Adults Boards; carrying out Safeguarding Adult Reviews; and arranging for the provision of independent advocates.
- 3.3 The Board are committed to 'Making Safeguarding Personal' (MSP); to improve outcomes for people at risk of harm. This is achieved, during a safeguarding enquiry, by establishing a real understanding of what people wish to achieve and the 'outcomes' they want at the beginning then checking throughout, and at the end the extent to which these outcomes were realised.

#### **4. Changes with the LSAB since 2017-18**

- 4.1 A new Strategic Business Plan was published in June 2019 which created and new Vision, set of Priorities, Aims and Objectives:

##### **Vision**

To ensure adults are safeguarded by empowering and supporting them to make informed decisions.

##### **Priorities**

1. Prevent adult exploitation, abuse and neglect.
2. Develop intelligence led, evidence based practice.
3. Strengthen partnership working.

##### **Prevention Aim:**

By April 2020 we will have made further progress in developing preventative strategies.

##### **Accountability Aim:**

By April 2020 we will have established methods to effectively measure how well adults at risk of abuse and neglect are being protected, which will be used to develop evidence based practice.

##### **Partnerships Aim:**

By April 2020 we will have demonstrated our commitment to supporting the 'whole family' approach to safeguarding those most at risk of abuse and neglect in Lewisham.

- 4.2 A new LSAB Business Manager started in post in March 2019.

- 4.2 The Board continues to be funded by the following agencies:

- London Borough of Lewisham - Adult Social Care
- NHS Lewisham Clinical Commissioning Group
- Lewisham & Greenwich NHS Trust
- South London & Maudsley NHS Foundation Trust
- The Metropolitan Police Service
- The London Fire Brigade

- 4.3 Two Safeguarding Adult Reviews were published in July 2018. The broad details of these cases and other related activity are outlined in the LSAB Annual Report (pages 8 & 9).

## **5. Financial Implications**

5.1 There are no additional financial implications arising from this report.

## **6. Legal Implications**

6.1 There are no additional legal implications arising from this report.

## **7. Crime and Disorder Implications**

7.1 There are no specific crime and disorder implications arising from this report. The LSAB works in close collaboration with Safer Lewisham Partnership to ensure joint approaches to overlapping issues such as domestic violence, hate crimes and 'Prevent' (the government's counter-terrorism strategy).

## **8. Equalities Implications**

8.1 As highlighted in the LSAB Annual Report (and full Strategic Business Plan) there are ongoing equalities implications to ensure that all communities across Lewisham are engaged with relevant agencies and services to help prevent adult abuse and neglect.

8.2 The further development and analysis of data will enable the Board to understand if there any potential barriers to reporting abuse, and also accessing protective and preventative services.

## **9. Environmental Implications**

9.1 There are no specific environmental implications arising from this report or its recommendations.

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## **Background documents**

LSAB Strategic Business Plan 209-20

<https://www.safeguardinglewisham.org.uk/lsab/lsab/publications/strategic-business-plan>