



Stockton-on-Tees
BOROUGH COUNCIL

**STOCKTON-ON-TEES
LOCAL EXECUTIVE GROUP ADULT SAFEGUARDING**

**Wednesday 23rd July 2014
09.00 – 12.00**

Venue: Room E, Education Centre, Stockton+

Present:

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| Jane Humphreys | Corporate Director (Chair), Stockton Borough Council (SBC) |
| Cllr Jim Beall | Cabinet Member (Adult Services and Health), SBC |
| Liz Hanley | Adult Services Lead, SBC |
| Simon Willson | Head of Performance, Children, Education and Social Care, SBC |
| Dino Carlucci | Detective Inspector, Cleveland Police |
| Molly Taylor | Adult Safeguarding Specialist Nurse, North Tees and Hartlepool Foundation Trust |
| Christine Brown | Clinical Quality and Safeguarding, Hartlepool & Stockton Clinical Commissioning Group |
| Brett Bardsley | Team Manager, Safeguarding, SBC |
| Cllr Steve Nelson | Cabinet Members (Housing and Community Safety) |
| Jill Anderson | Service Manager, First Response, SBC |
| Jill Curbeson | Senior Nurse, Safeguarding Adults, Tees Esk and Wear Valley NHS Foundation Trust |
| Claire Byers | Safeguarding Adults Advisor / Trainer, Tees Esk and Wear Valley NHS Foundation Trust |
| Emma Champley | Strategic Commissioner (Public Health), SBC |
| Janet Hayes | Commissioning Manager, Training, SBC |
| John Rafferty | Integrated Service Manager, Cleveland Fire Brigade |
| Pat Haslam | Head of Social Work and Mental Health, SBC |
| Jeff Evans | Manager, Stockton Probation Service |

Regina Harrington Housing Options Team Leader, Stockton Council

Sue Judge Clinical Quality Manager, North of England Commissioning Support

Apologies:

Julie Nixon Head of Housing, Development and Neighbourhood Services, SBC

Caroline Wood Housing Options Manager, SBC

Kevin Richards Team Manager - EDT, Children, Education and Social Care

Tracey Bell Community Health and Wellbeing Manager, Cleveland Fire Service

Terry Elliott First Contact Manager, SBC

Steve Rose Chief Executive, Catalyst Stockton

Caroline Foster Detective Sergeant, Cleveland Police

Steven Phillip Service Manager, Children, Education & Social Care, SBC

Minutes taken by: Jo Dickens

| Agenda Item | Item | Action |
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| 1 & 2 | <p>Introductions and Apologies</p> <p>Introductions were made and apologies accepted.</p> | |
| 3. | <p>Minutes of last meeting / matters arising</p> <p>Jane advised the group of Paul Green's retirement and thanked Paul formally, in his absence, for his contribution to Adult Safeguarding.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Stockton News article regarding financial planning will be included in the next issue. ▪ Domestic Abuse Strategy is now final and has been launched. ▪ National HMI inspection (domestic abuse): Local information is still to be shared by the police. ▪ Learning Disability Safeguarding Adults Framework: comments on the draft report have been submitted and the final report will be presented to the LEG in due course. ▪ No further discussion regarding VCSE sector training with Steve Rose has taken place. This has also been raised though the LSCB. To be picked up at the next meeting. ▪ The Roseberry Park Care Quality Commission inspection report is still awaited. ▪ A Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) event has been arranged for 06/11/14. The details will be circulated by DBS approximately 6 weeks prior to the event. | <p>GI</p> <p>DC</p> <p>SR</p> |

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| 4. | <p>Care Act Presentation</p> <p>Liz spoke to the slides that had been circulated prior to the meeting, with particular emphasis on the safeguarding aspects of the current regulations and guidance.</p> <p>The consultation document and fact sheets will be circulated with the meeting papers.</p> <p>Steve Phillips is attending the national conference regarding new duties relating to prisoners and will provide feedback at the next LEG meeting.</p> | LH SP |
| 5. | <p>MCA DoLS Update</p> <p>Liz provided an update on the action plan in progress, based on the briefing to Stockton Borough Council's Corporate Management Meeting in May, which had been circulated with the meeting papers.</p> <p>A discussion took place in relation to the post legislative review of the MCA (the government response to the review is expected shortly). The Court of Protection judgement on the 9 cases in supported living is expected soon.</p> <p>Molly gave details of a stakeholder group led by the Foundation Trust, which is focusing on MCA DoLS issues (Steve Phillips represents SBC).</p> <p>The role of the Care Quality Commission was also discussed.</p> | |
| 6. | <p>Draft Safeguarding Peer Review Action Plan</p> <p>Liz presented the draft Safeguarding Peer Review Action plan, which had been circulated prior to the meeting. Comments on the format and content should be sent to Liz by 01/09/14.</p> | ALL |
| 7. | <p>Safe Place Scheme Update</p> <p>Liz provided an update on the development of the Safe Place Scheme, as well as a list of venues that have signed up, which Paul had collated.</p> <p>Molly and Jean confirmed that the Foundation Trusts have signed up to the scheme.</p> <p>The fire service is not detailed on the list of signatories to the scheme, so their position will be clarified.</p> | JR |

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| | <p>Cllr Beall suggested that the venues should be mapped out across the Borough. Liz will look into how this can be progressed.</p> <p>The plan for Inclusion North to support the development of the scheme was outlined, including extending the scheme to other vulnerable client groups. A request to Inclusion North and Stockton Helps All for an update on 'uptake' of the scheme will be made.</p> <p>Regina asked if people with Learning Disabilities are carrying cards. The process in place for known clients to gain access to the scheme was outlined (this is via care management and Stockton Helps All Advocacy Service).</p> | LH LH |
| 8. | <p>Health and Well Being Board Structures Paper</p> <p>Jane spoke to this paper, which had been circulated prior to the meeting. The recommendations have been presented to all of the relevant stakeholder and governance meetings. Chief Executives of all Partner agencies will be sent a letter from Councillor Beall, as Chair of the Health and Wellbeing Board, to inform them of the new arrangements. Councillor Beall reminded the LEG of the protocol in place between the LEG and the Health and Wellbeing Board, which will be reviewed in line with the Tees-wide arrangements.</p> | JB |
| 9. | <p>Partner Updates</p> <p><u>Probation</u></p> <p>New National and Local arrangements have been in place since June. The next stage of the process is expected to be completed by October 2014.</p> <p><u>TEWV</u></p> <p>An appointment has been made to the MARAC administrator post.</p> <p><u>Winterbourne View Update</u></p> <p>Jane provided an update on the Winterbourne View planning local position and spoke to the notes of the Joint Improvement Programme meeting (held in May), which had been circulated prior to the meeting. It is still unclear why Stockton was identified for this 'in-depth' review. Issues remain in relation to the NHS England commissioned cases</p> | |

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| | <p>(information regarding cases in the care of TEWV has been received). This clearly has implications for strategic planning and service redesign and this issue is being discussed regionally. Chris informed the LEG of a breakdown in the care and support arrangements for two Stockton clients who are subject to Winterbourne View planning. A root cause analysis is in progress, led by Donna Owens, which will be reported to the LEG in due course.</p> | CB |
| 10 | <p>Standing Agenda Items</p> <p>Tees-wide Board Feedback:</p> <p>The minutes of April's and June's meetings had been circulated prior to the meeting. Jane reviewed the minutes of the June meeting and gave an overview of the Board Membership and Independent Chair arrangements. The Governor of Holme House prison will be joining the Board. The membership of the subgroups was also outlined. Recruitment to the Business Manager post is in progress (interviews are arranged for tomorrow). Other posts are about to go out to advert. All posts will be hosted by SBC.</p> <p>A Board development day was held on 22/07/14, but was poorly attended from some areas (possibly due to annual leave).</p> | |
| 11. | <p>Performance Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The draft activity report for 2013/14 was presented. This will be incorporated into the TSAB annual report, which will be reported to the SBC Cabinet in due course. Simon provided an overview of the activity data and explained the changes to reporting arrangements for safeguarding adults (now the Safeguarding Adults Return). Published data will enable benchmarking towards the end of the calendar year. • Brett confirmed that safeguarding adults' activity has increased in recent months. Best Interest Assessment work is also having an impact on team capacity. • Brett spoke to the 2013/14 user experience survey activity information that had been circulated prior to the meeting. Liz reminded the Executive Group of Stockton's involvement in the pilot of the national user experience survey, which will be reported on towards the end of the year. | |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Appendix 4, re MCA DoLS, will be amended to include activity for 2013/14. It was noted that MCA DOLS activity increased towards the end of 13/14, which was prior to the Supreme Court Judgement. Dino confirmed an increase in direct contact regarding potential abuse, possibly due to current media issues. Simon provided possible reasons for the increase in the 'other vulnerable adults' category from 12/13 to 13/14. | JD SP |
| 12. | <p>North East Region Safeguarding Adults Network Meeting Update</p> <p>The minutes of the meeting held in May were circulated to the LEG for information. The minutes of the meeting held on 21/07/14 will be circulated with the minutes of the LEG meeting (this meeting mainly focussed on the response to the Care Act Consultation and reviewing the Action Plan from December 2013's development day).</p> | LH |
| 13. | <p>Recruitment of Independent Sector Care Home Representative</p> <p>Angela Forrester, Independent Sector Representative (Care Homes) has resigned from the Local Executive group. Jane will send a letter to thank Angela for her contribution to the Safeguarding Vulnerable Adults Committee (SVAC)/LEG.</p> | JH |
| 14. | <p>Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH Update)</p> <p>Jane provided an update on the work to consider developing a MASH in Stockton. A workshop was held in June which Jane, Liz and Shaun McLurg attended, where a decision made that a MASH across Hartlepool and Stockton's Children's services will be developed, with Hartlepool leading the work. The South of Tees Local Authority areas are not progressing this at the present time. A MASH will not be developed in relation to Adult Services. Work will continue to explore the best model for 'first contact' services in line with Care Act Requirements.</p> | |
| 15. | <p>Quality Assurance Presentations</p> <p>SBC and NHS presentations have been previously been provided to the SVAC. The Police presentation will be made at the next LEG meeting. Probation and Fire Service presentations will be provided before the end of the financial year.</p> | |
| 16. | <p>AOB</p> <p>Liz informed the LEG that the Serious Concerns protocol has been invoked in relation to an Independent Sector care home in Norton.</p> | |

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| 17. | Date and time of forthcoming meetings: Tuesday 14th October 13:00 - 16:00 Room E, Education Centre | |
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