



Stockton-on-Tees
BOROUGH COUNCIL

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

Tuesday 14th October 2014

13.00 – 16.00

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 |
| Cllr Steve Nelson | Cabinet Member (Housing and Community Safety) |
| Liz Hanley | Adult Services Lead, SBC |
| Simon Willson | Head of Performance, Children, Education and Social Care, SBC |
| Dino Carlucci | Detective Inspector, Cleveland Police |
| Caroline Foster | Detective Sergeant, Cleveland Police |
| Jill Anderson | Service Manager, First Response, SBC |
| Claire Byers | Safeguarding Adults Advisor / Trainer, Tees Esk and Wear Valley NHS Foundation Trust |
| Emma Champley | Strategic Commissioner (Public Health), SBC |
| Jeff Evans | Manager, Stockton Probation Service |
| Julie Nixon | Head of Housing, Development and Neighbourhood Services, SBC |
| Caroline Wood | Housing Options Manager, SBC |
| Gordon Bentley | Adult Safeguarding Officer, NHS |

Apologies:

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| Janet Hayes | Commissioning Manager, Training, SBC |
| Pat Haslam | Head of Social Work and Mental Health, SBC |
| Kevin Richards | Team Manager - EDT, Children, Education and Social Care |
| Steven Phillips | Service Manager, Children, Education & Social Care, SBC |

Margaret Brett Lead Senior Nurse, Safeguarding Adults, TEVW
 Claire Sills Development and Neighbourhood Services, SBC
 Sue Judge Clinical Quality Manager, North of England Commissioning Support
 Brett Bardsley Team Manager, Safeguarding, 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>The Stockton News article regarding supporting vulnerable adults with their finances will be included in November's issue.</p> <p>National HMI inspection (domestic abuse): Local information will be shared by the police at the next meeting.</p> <p>No further discussion regarding VCSE sector training with Steve Rose has taken place. This will be picked up at the next meeting.</p> <p>The Roseberry Park Care Quality Commission inspection report will be discussed at the next Tees Safeguarding Adults Board meeting in the first instance.</p> <p>Jane gave an update on the Health and Well Being Board Structure which is currently being implemented.</p> <p>Care Home Representation: 7 expressions of interest were received. A Registered Manager from a small care home and a Regional Manager from a larger provider were selected. Emails will be sent to confirm this and to thank the other provider representatives who were not successful on this occasion.</p> <p>Feedback from the National Conference: New duties regarding prisoners. Liz spoke to a paper on behalf of Steve which will be circulated with the meeting minutes.</p> | <p>GI</p> <p>DC</p> <p>SR</p> <p>JH</p> <p>LH</p> |

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| 4. | <p>Police Quality Assurance Update</p> <p>Dino gave an overview of police quality assurance, which included activity information relating to the vulnerability unit. The systems in place for recording and dealing with referrals was outlined, including monthly performance reviews, where each 'live crime' is reviewed. The analysis of random samples is also in operation in the context of Achieving Best Evidence. Regular thematic inspections are also carried out. In addition, learning from professional challenges, complaints and compliments is valued. Caroline explained how the unit works and links to other police units. Referrals that do not meet the crime threshold are referred into the relevant agency e.g. social care. It was noted that many victims do not want to progress charges. It was highlighted that early discussions with the Crown Prosecution Service (CPS) are beneficial to support prosecutions. It was agreed that further information on how many cases progressed to court would be helpful. Dino agreed to provide benchmarking figures at the next meeting.</p> | DC |
| 5. | <p>Feedback from Making Safeguarding Personal event</p> <p>Brett attended this event following Stockton's sign up to the second 'cohort' of the programme. User experience is a focus of this LGA work stream. Brett will provide a further update at January's meeting.</p> <p>A regional conference is at the planning stage and will be chaired by Jane Humphreys.</p> | BB |
| 6. | <p>Multi Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH) Update / Care Act Implementation</p> <p>Jane provided an update on the work in progress to develop a MASH across Hartlepool and Stockton for Children's Safeguarding. The MASH is planned to be hosted by Hartlepool and be implemented in April 2016. The practicalities to introduce this were outlined. Jane also provided an update on the current review of 'First Contact' services for adult services to ensure readiness for implementation of the Care Act. The development of the Multidisciplinary Team as part of the Better Care Fund plans is also linked to this.</p> | |
| 7. | <p>Mental Capacity Act Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards (MCA)</p> | |

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| | <p>DoLS) Update</p> <p>Liz provided an update on the progress of the work plan in relation to the new test for DoL, for people who lack capacity to consent to their care and support arrangements, where these are funded by the state. The related funding and workload pressure issues were discussed.</p> <p>The Cabinet report presented last week will be circulated with the meeting minutes for LEGSA members' information.</p> | LH |
| 8. | <p>Safe Place Scheme Update</p> <p>The 'map' of participating partners and organisations was circulated with the meeting papers.</p> <p>The Police and Crime Commissioner is leading on this scheme across Tees. The Learning Disabilities Partnership will link in, with a view to identifying any key gaps. Jane will link with the relevant police lead to clarify the process to ensure the strategic aims are implemented.</p> <p>The available information regarding current usage and the planned mystery shopping exercise will be collated and reported back to the Committee.</p> | LH JH LH |
| 9. | <p>Partner Updates</p> <p><u>Probation</u>: National and local arrangements are now in place and final changes will be completed by 01/04/14. The process is in place for Payment By Results and the integrated offender management team, was explained by Jeff.</p> <p><u>Housing</u>: Julie outlined the work in progress with vulnerable adults, which aims to provide quality accommodation and support.</p> <p><u>Fire</u>: Dave explained he will be attending the LEGSA as the fire service representative</p> <p><u>NHS</u>: Gordon Bentley explained that Chris Brown is on secondment to NHS England and Sue Judge will be covering Chris's post until December.</p> <p><u>Winterbourne View</u>: The plan regarding clients known to the CCG and Council is on track (two placements had broken down and a root cause analysis is in progress, led by CCG Commissioners). The DH Director</p> | |

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| | <p>General and Social Care has been consulted on how NHS England information regarding specialist commissioning cases can be shared, to support planning to meet future needs. A letter from the Directors of Social Care has been sent to the Director General of Social Care (DH).</p> <p><u>Public Health:</u> Emma will circulate a questionnaire for comments regarding training needs relating to domestic abuse, as part of the domestic abuse strategy action plan.</p> | EC |
| 10 | <p>Scrutiny Review of Home Care</p> <p>Liz informed the Executive Group that the Adult Services and Health Committee is carrying out a review of home care (provision, commissioning, personal assistant arrangements via direct payments, care management and links to assistive technology). The review will be completed in February 2015 and reported to Cabinet in March 2015.</p> | |
| 11. | <p>Standing Agenda Items</p> <p>Tees Board:</p> <p>Liz gave an overview of what had been discussed at the meeting. The minutes of the meeting will be circulated with this meeting's minutes.</p> <p>A performance framework is in development and will be presented to LEGSA in due course.</p> <p>Tees Board Business Unit Update:</p> <p>Interim arrangements are in place for the Business Manager post and the substantive post will be readvertised in January 2015. The other team posts are currently being recruited to.</p> | LH |
| 12. | <p>Performance Update Report</p> <p>Simon tabled this report, which will be circulated with the meeting papers. The report provided currently available benchmarking information for 2013/14 and the Q2 2014 / 2015 position in Stockton. Emma asked if links to incidents of domestic abuse are made. Liz confirmed that Brett is looking at the safeguarding referrals to see if this is possible. An update will be provided at the next meeting.</p> <p>The recording of secondary and other categories of abuse was also discussed. The available information will be presented at the next meeting.</p> | BB BB/SW |

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| | <p><u>Social Client Care Survey</u></p> <p>Simon explained the process for completing the survey and the support available to clients to complete this.</p> <p>Cllr Nelson raised concerns about the response to the survey question about how safe clients' feel. Simon suggested that that national survey information regarding people feeling safe be discussed further at the Safer Stockton Partnership and the outcome of the discussions reported to LEGSA.</p> <p><u>Analysis of the completed safeguarding user experience questionnaire</u></p> <p>This information was circulated with the meeting papers. The positive responses to this questionnaire was compared with the information in the performance update report.</p> <p><u>QSF Report</u></p> <p>Liz presented a report on behalf of George Irving on progress for care homes and home care. This report will be circulated with the meeting papers.</p> | LH |
| 13. | <p>Regional Safeguarding Network Meeting</p> <p>The minutes of the meeting were circulated with the LEGSA papers. Liz outlined the main issues discussed at the meeting.</p> | |
| 14. | <p>AOB</p> <p>No further business was discussed.</p> | |
| 15. | <p>Date and time of forthcoming meetings:</p> <p>Wednesday 7th January, 13:00 - 16:00 Conference Room, Education Centre.</p> | |