



Stockton-on-Tees
BOROUGH COUNCIL

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

**Wednesday 7th January 2014
13.00 – 16.00**

Venue: Room E, Education Centre, Stockton

Present:

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
Jim Allen	Detective Inspector, Cleveland Police
Jill Anderson	Service Manager, First Response, SBC
Caroline Wood	Housing Options Manager, SBC
Gordon Bentley	Adult Safeguarding Officer, Clinical Commissioning Group
Pat Haslam	Head of Social Work and Mental Health, SBC
Molly Taylor	Adult Safeguarding, North Tees and Hartlepool Foundation Trust
James Hadman	Catalyst
Janet Hayes	Training and Development Manager, SBC
Gina McBride	Administration and Information Officer, SBC
Carole Dodd	Business Manager, TSAB
Lesley Mawson	Head of Safeguarding Adults, TEWV
Angela Connor	Service Manager, Safeguarding
Jill Appleby	Registered Manager, Newlands House
Melanie Auckland	Operations Director, HC One

	<p>place that can be considered for adoption.</p> <p>ARCC was successful in the tender for the local components of the Probation Service.</p>	
4.	<p>HMIC Inspection Information</p> <p>This item will be deferred to the next meeting.</p>	
5.	<p>Care Act training for LEGSA members</p> <p>It was agreed that a session focussing on the Care Act will be arranged for the April LEGSA meeting.</p>	LH
6.	<p>Briefing: Care Act implications for safeguarding adults</p> <p>This information was circulated with the meeting papers and is for further circulation by LEGSA members as appropriate. A 'stocktake' framework will be presented to the Tees Board later this week for approval, with a view to being completed by the Business Unit. Liz will circulate a copy of this to LEGSA members.</p>	LH
7	<p>Statement of principles: H&WBB / LEGSA / TSVAB</p> <p>This document was circulated with the meeting papers. The content was agreed and will be considered at the H&WBB later this month and at the TSAB for adoption by each LEGSA.</p>	
8.	<p>Safeguarding Adults Boards (SABs) and Quality Surveillance Groups (QSGs) partnerships</p> <p>A letter outlining the requirement for SABs and QSGs to work effectively together was circulated with the meeting papers.</p> <p>Gordon Bentley provided an update on the local arrangements for the QSG, which is a multi - agency group, led by the Local Area team, to share intelligence in relation to health and care service quality. A commissioning sub group of the QSG is also in place, which considers safeguarding information. This letter will also be presented at the next TSAB meeting. Liz asked for clarification at the next meeting regarding the role of the LA in the QSG subgroup linked to safeguarding.</p>	GB
9.	<p>Safeguarding in Housing: Stockton's Response</p> <p>This paper was circulated with the meeting papers and was presented</p>	

	<p>by Caroline. Mental Capacity awareness was identified as a particular area of importance. Further work is planned in relation to out of hours arrangements. Training options for housing staff were discussed and will be discussed further outside of the meeting. Learning from case reviews involving housing would be of particular relevance.</p> <p>The housing provider (Thirteen) also needs to agree to this approach. Paul Noddings will be briefed on discussions, as he was not present at the meeting.</p> <p>The commitment of other Registered Social Landlords also needs to be secured.</p> <p>Safeguarding will be considered for incorporation into the draft Quality Standards for the Landlords Charter which is currently in development.</p> <p>Cllr Beall commended housing on this positive work.</p>	<p>CW/ JH</p> <p>CW</p> <p>CW</p> <p>CW</p>
10.	<p>Feedback rom the Making Safeguarding Personal Conference</p> <p>Jane chaired this conference on 15/12/2014 and brief notes were circulated with the meeting papers. Jane explained how the TSAB is leading and coordinating this work, which is being undertaken via the training and workforce sub group.</p>	
11.	<p>Mental Capacity Act Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards Update</p> <p>Liz provided an update on the establishment of a dedicated team to administer the DoLS led by a Project Manager. Additional care management resource is also being recruited to. An update on actual and projected costs (2015/16) will be provided to Cabinet in February 2015. Quality assurance, training and review models are currently in development.</p> <p>The impact on resources, such as the availability of S.12 doctors was discussed, with reference to the Mental Health Crisis Concordat. Lesley stated that there has been an approximate 30% increase in detention under the Mental Health Act as a result of the Supreme Court Judgement. Issues regarding the role of the Coroner when someone dies whilst subject to an authorised deprivation of liberty were discussed. The Law Commission is attending the North East MCA DoLS group to consult regarding their review of MCA / DoLS. Pat will provide feedback at the next LEGSA meeting.</p>	<p>PH</p>

12.	<p>Safe Place Scheme</p> <p>This scheme is being led by the Police and Crime Commissioner. Liz has not been able to get a full response regarding the information requested at the last LEGSA meeting relating to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How many people are included in the scheme • How many venues have supported people (and how often) • If there is a plan to ensure satisfactory geographical ‘coverage’ of schemes • Details of the next mystery shopping exercise planned by Stockton Helps All <p>Liz will circulate an update with the meeting minutes.</p>	LH
13.	<p>Partner Updates:</p> <p>NTHFT: Molly gave details of the Foundation Trust’s reporting requirements to the QSG. The latest update will be presented to the TSAB in the first instance. Molly will liaise with Carole regarding this.</p> <p>TEWV: A comprehensive CQC inspection is due to start on 26/01/2015.</p>	MT
14.	<p>Performance Update Report</p> <p>Simon presented the performance update paper, which had been circulated prior to the meeting, and addressed the issues raised at the last meeting.</p> <p>Cllr Beall asked if an audit had been carried out to determine if additional categories of abuse have been identified which were not raised at the time of the alert. Angela and the BuSI team are looking into this further.</p> <p>A discussion of the value of recording additional categories of abuse took place, with reference to information reporting requirements. Regardless of the category of abuse, a holistic investigation is completed when the safeguarding threshold is not met. The importance of collecting and analysing information that is important to the LEGSA was raised. Links to the Tees Board Performance framework also need to be considered.</p> <p>Links to domestic abuse incident monitoring were discussed, following Emma raising this issue at the last meeting.</p>	AC

	<p>It was noted that changes to the categories of abuse and the threshold will be implemented on 01/04/2015 in line with Care Act requirements, including the incorporation of domestic abuse as a category of abuse.</p> <p>The paper also provided an update on the pilot to develop an adult safeguarding outcome measure, which Stockton was involved in initially, but withdrew as the required number of clients meeting the study's eligibility criteria, could not be identified within the timescales.</p>	
15.	<p>Standing Agenda Items:</p> <p>Tees Business Unit Update:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jane gave an update on recruitment to the Business unit. The substantive Business Manager post will be out to advert from 09/01/2015. • The minutes of November's TSAB meeting were circulated with the meeting papers. The next meeting is arranged for Monday 12/01/15. • The TSAB annual report was circulated with the meeting papers for LEGSA members to circulate further as appropriate. The report will be presented to Cabinet next week and to the Health and Well Being Board and, Adult Services and Health Committee later this month. 	
16.	<p>Regional Meeting Update</p> <p>The minutes of November's meeting were circulated with the meeting papers. The Radio Campaign evaluation will be presented at the next meeting, which will inform future publicity options for each local area.</p>	
17.	<p>AOB</p> <p>Molly advised that this will be her last meeting. Jane thanked Molly for her contribution to the work of the LEGSA.</p>	
18.	<p>Date and time of forthcoming meetings:</p> <p>Wednesday 8th April, 09.00 – 12.00 Room E, Education Centre.</p>	