



## Teeswide Safeguarding Adults Board

Meeting Date: **13<sup>th</sup> September 2023**

Time: **9.30am – 12pm**

Venue: **Microsoft Teams**

### Minutes

#### Attendees

Name	Role	Representing
Janet Alderton	Assistant Director of Nursing & Patient Safety	North Tees and Hartlepool NHS Foundation Trust
Richard Baker	Assistant Chief Constable	Cleveland Police
Jane Bell	Administration Officer	TSAB Business Unit
Darren Best	Independent Chair	Teeswide Safeguarding Adults Board
Gordon Bentley	Designated Nurse Safeguarding Adults	North East and North Cumbria Integrated Care Board
Sarah Bowman-Abouna	Director of Public Health	Stockton-on-Tees Borough Council
Tracey Brittain (Part)		Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner
Lindsay Britton-Robertson	Assistant Director of Safeguarding	South Tees Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust
Cllr Bob Buchan	Lead Member	Hartlepool Borough Council
Jon Carling****	Chief Executive	Catalyst Stockton
Jeremy Collins (Part)	Temporary Detective Chief Inspector	Cleveland police
Mayor Chris Cooke	Lead Member	Middlesbrough Borough Council
Angela Connor	Assistant Director Adult Social Care/PSW	Stockton-on-Tees Borough Council
Elsbeth Devanney	Group Director of Nursing & Quality	Tees, Esk and Wear Valleys NHS Foundation Trust
Deborah Fenny(Part)	Detective Chief Inspector	Cleveland Police
Elaine Godwin	Admin Officer	TSAB Business Unit
Jill Harrison	Director of Adult and Community Based Services	Hartlepool Borough Council
Gina Hurwood	SAR Co-Ordinator	TSAB Business Unit
Paula Lane		HMP Holme House Prison
Alyson Longstaff	Advanced Customer Support Senior Leader	Durham Tees Valley Department for Work and Pensions
Amy Mahoney	Business Manager	TSAB Business Unit
Cllr Ann McCoy	Lead Member	Stockton-on-Tees Borough Council
Samantha Midgely	Project Officer	TSAB Business Unit
Jen Moore	Designated Nurse Safeguarding Adults	North East and North Cumbria Integrated Care Board
Ruth Musicka (Part)	Head of Access and Safeguarding	Middlesbrough Borough Council
Julian Penton****	Development Officer	Hartlepower
John Rafferty	Compliance Business Partner - Safeguarding	Thirteen Group
Patrick Rice	Corporate Director of Adults and Communities	Redcar & Cleveland Borough Council
Erik Scollay	Director of Adult Social Care	Middlesbrough Borough Council

Linda Sergeant	Project Coordinator	Healthwatch South Tees
Angela Storm	Data Analysis and Performance Monitoring Officer	TSAB Business Unit
Craig Strike	Prevention Team	Cleveland Fire Brigade
Chloe Swash	Admin Officer	TSAB Business Unit
Helen Wilson		Cleveland Police

<b>Apologies</b>		
<b>Name</b>	<b>Role</b>	<b>Representing</b>
Sarah Aspinall	Inspector	CQC (Middlesbrough, Stockton-on-Tees and Redcar & Cleveland)
Mark Davis***	Chief Executive	Middlesbrough Voluntary Development Agency
Paula Dewell	Detective Superintendent – Head of Safeguarding	Cleveland Police
Natasha Douglas	Healthwatch Manager	Healthwatch Stockton
Kate Duncan	Head of Safer Prisons & Equality	HMP Holme House Prison
Jean Golightly	Director of Nursing & Quality	North East and North Cumbria Integrated Care Board
Neil Harrison	Head of Safeguarding & Specialist Services	Hartlepool Borough Council
Rachelle Kipling	Temporary Assistant Chief Executive	Office of Police & Crime Commissioner
Dr Hilary Lloyd	Chief Nurse	South Tees Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust
John Lovatt	Assistant Director	Hartlepool Borough Council
Carolyn Nice	Director of Adults and Health	Stockton-on-Tees Borough Council
Kay Nicolson	CEO	A Way Out
Cara Nimmo	Assistant Director for Adult Care Operations	Redcar & Cleveland Borough Council
Ann Powell	Head of Stockton & Hartlepool PDU	National Probation Service
Darren Redgwell	Head of Middlesbrough, Redcar & Cleveland PDU	National Probation Service
Stephen Thomas	Development Officer	Healthwatch Hartlepool
Robin Turnbull	Area Manager	Cleveland Fire Brigade

<b>Absent</b>		
<b>Name</b>	<b>Role</b>	<b>Representing</b>
Cllr Lisa Belshaw	Lead Member	Redcar and Cleveland Borough Council
Mike Fleet	Principal Lecturer (Programmes) Department of Nursing & Midwifery	Teesside University
Michelle Monty	Inspector	CQC Hartlepool
Peter Neal	CEO	Redcar and Cleveland Voluntary Development Agency
Helen Richmond	Safer Custody and Equalities Hub Manager	HMP Holme House Prison
Leanne Stockton	Business Manager	Hartlepool & Stockton Safeguarding Children Partnership
Katie Tucker	Inspector	CQC Hartlepool
Gary Watson	Business Manager	South Tees Safeguarding Children Partnership

\*Attends for specific agenda items only, \*\* Attends 2 times per year; \*\*\*Attends on behalf of MVDA, RCVA & Healthwatch South Tees, \*\*\*\* Attendance will be shared between Catalyst and Hartlepower

**Copies:** Chris Brown; Rebecca Duce; Caroline Gallilee; Emily Gibson; Suzanne Glass; Lorna Harrison; Nigel Hart; Kay McGowan; Suzanne Metcalfe; Judith Oliver; Laura Poppleton; Angela Pringle, Mike Sharman; Karen Sproston; Rachael Surtees; Lyndsay Waddington

<b>Agenda Item 1</b>	<b>Introductions and Apologies</b>	<b>Presenter: Chair</b>	
<p>Independent Chair, Darren Best (DB), welcomed members to the September meeting. The welcome was extended to new members; Assistant Chief Constable Richard Baker (RB), Mayor Chris Cooke as lead member for Middlesbrough Borough Council (MBC) and the Business Unit's Project Officer, Samantha Midgley.</p> <p>Helen Wilson attended on behalf of Paula Dewell, Gordon Bentley and Jen Moore on behalf of Jean Golightly, Paula Lane on behalf of Kate Duncan, Craig Strike on behalf of Robin Turnbull and Tracey Brittain on behalf of Rachelle Kipling.</p> <p>Apologies received will be recorded on the minutes.</p> <p>DB advised that he will be commencing the role of Chair for Cumbria, Northumberland, Tyne and Wear NHS Foundation Trust (CNTW) on 1<sup>st</sup> October. Any comments in relation to this should be forwarded to Amy Mahoney (AM).</p>			
<b>Action Points</b>		<b>Action Owner</b>	<b>Deadline</b>
1. Any comments in relation to chairing arrangements to be forwarded to Amy Mahoney		All	Ongoing

<b>Agenda Item 2</b>	<b>Teeswide Adults and Children's Joint Working Protocol</b>	<b>Presenter: Amy Mahoney</b>	
<p>A Teeswide Adults and Children's Joint Working Protocol has been developed in conjunction with the two Children's Partnerships with the aim of supporting more effective joint working. A copy of the draft Protocol was shared with the agenda. The Chairs, Scrutineers and Business Managers do meet routinely, but it was noted that there was nothing in place to formally define the relationships between the Adults and Childrens Boards.</p> <p>The Protocol sets out the purpose and the individual partnership functions and responsibilities, including hearing the voice of the individual and a commitment to promoting this. Areas of joint interest and cross cutting themes have been identified as areas for possible joint working including exploitation, domestic abuse, transitions, and substance misuse. Principles of joint working including Think Family and information sharing in relation to risk, have been identified. Arrangements to support the coordination between the Partnerships and the Board include input into reports and business plans and the sharing of learning from reviews which links to the Joint Review Protocol that has been created across Tees to support this process. Reference is included to the Independent Chairs and Business Managers meetings, a joint working programme, communication and engagement, commissioning of joint training and cross Board/Partnership representation by members who sit across both.</p> <p>The Protocol has been developed initially by TSAB and the Childrens Partnerships but the longer-term plan is to widen this to include other partnerships across Tees, such as the Community Safety Partnerships. The document has been approved by Hartlepool &amp; Stockton Safeguarding Children Partnership (HSSCP) and is waiting for approval from the South Tees Partnership later in September. AM requested that any comments or feedback are provide to the Business Unit by Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> September. The final version will be added to a future Board agenda for information and wider sharing.</p> <p>Sarah Bowman-Abouna suggested that it may be beneficial to include some reference to how the aims will be achieved, such as the use of collective intelligence, where appropriate, rather than separate pieces of analysis being conducted. DB agreed the Protocol should make reference to this and that the workplan, which will sit underneath the Protocol, should outline how this will be achieved.</p> <p>The Protocol was approved by members.</p>			
<b>Action Points</b>		<b>Action Owner</b>	<b>Deadline</b>
1. Feedback to be provided to the Business Unit		All	22/09/2023

<b>Agenda Item 3</b>	<b>TSAB End of Year Performance Report 2022/23</b>	<b>Presenter: Angela Storm</b>	
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A copy of the TSAB End of Year Report for 2022-23 was shared with the agenda. Angela Storm summarised the key points from the report.

The data has been linked to the Board's four Strategic Aims:

**Joint Working – Multi-Agency Audits** have taken place on a variety of themes and have seen a consistent attendance from partner agencies. During this year it was agreed to begin reporting the number of referrals to Team Around the Individual (TATI). The high number reflects the growing complexity of cases and the level of work involved.

**People – Figures** are included for the various forms of training that took place and for the number of Safeguarding Adult Review (SAR) notifications that were considered, which has increased slightly from the previous year.

**Communication – Social Media** presence and website views demonstrate the reach of the Board's communication in relation to prevention, support and engagement.

**Services – Six Statutory Partners** took part in the Quality Assurance Framework (QAF) process, with all achieving an overall rating of green. This section also includes figures for the number of Care Providers subject to the Responding to and Addressing Serious Concerns Protocol.

All four of the Board's Performance Indicators were achieved by the end of the year.

There has been an increase in the number of Concerns received, which is reflective of the National Data figure. Increases have been recorded in relation to both Neglect & Acts of Omission and Physical Abuse with Care Homes reporting the largest volume of concerns to the Local Authorities followed by NHS Secondary Care, Social Care, Care at Home, Cleveland Police and NHS Primary care. This broad spread of reporting could be attributed to training and improved awareness.

The number of Section 42 Enquiries commenced increased, again this was in line with the National Data figure. There was an increase in the number of S42 Enquiries involving females, with 51% relating to the over-65 category. In line with the figures in the National Data, the main types of abuse were Neglect & Acts of Omission, Physical, Self-Neglect and Financial and Material. An increase was recorded against Physical Abuse, which may have been impacted by the sub-categories of Incidents Between Residents and Medication Errors and Omissions which are included within this figure. The main locations of risk continue to be Own Home and Care Homes. Within Own Home, Financial, Self-Neglect and Domestic Abuse were the three main categories of abuse. The figures for these were more evenly spread than the previous year where Domestic Abuse was the main type of abuse. There was an increase in referrals from Care Homes with Neglect & Acts of Omission and Physical being the main categories of abuse. Figures for concluded Section 42 Enquiries were similar to the previous year with the Source of Risk being known to the individual in more than half of cases. Safeguarding Action was taken in the majority of cases with risk being removed or reduced in over 90% of cases. The majority of individuals were asked about desired outcomes with most being either fully or partially met.

Multi-Agency data from North-Tees & Hartlepool Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust and South-Tees Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust both recorded increases in the number of Concerns referred to the Local Authorities. In both Trusts the main type of abuse was Neglect and Acts of Omission, particularly in Concerns raised against the Trusts. The main themes included Medication, Discharge, and Pressure Ulcer Care. Tees, Esk & Wear Valleys (TEWV) NHS Foundation Trust also recorded an increase in Concerns referred to the Local Authority. The figures for 2022-23 show varied types of abuse including Psychological Abuse, Neglect & Acts of Omission, and Domestic Abuse. Previously this had been predominantly Physical Abuse, demonstrating the Trust's work to identify different issues. Cleveland Police recorded an increase in overall recorded crime force wide. In relation to Domestic Abuse, the repeat victim figure remained similar to the previous year. Cleveland Fire Brigade continues to identify risks during Safer Home visits and report concerns, with the main categories of abuse reported being Neglect and Psychological. The number of Concerns referred by Thirteen Housing increased from the previous year. More than half of these are related to female adults across various categories of abuse.

Members commented that the report is useful to demonstrate the amount of work that is being done and to identify emerging themes. It is reassuring that the figures reflect the National Data. AS confirmed that members are welcome to share the report within their organisations.

Erik Scollay (ES), Chair of the Performance, Audit and Quality Sub-Group, thanked AS and the Performance Leads for the work that goes into producing the report and acknowledged how far the Board has come in relation to Performance, and the level of assurance that it is able to provide across all four Local Authorities.

DB noted a number of points in relation to the report:

- The report demonstrates the ability of TSAB to understand its business, which is not something that it replicated everywhere across the country. This is especially impressive due to the unique makeup of TSAB in covering four Local Authority areas.
- Consideration should be given to the existing Performance Indicators which have now been in place for a number of years, and whether they will be right for 2024-25
- The volume of Concerns has increased significantly when compared to the 2019-20 figures.
- The impact of COVID on Residential Care Homes did not have an impact on the number of Concerns at the time. Conclusions can now start to be drawn from the data as to the impact. The challenge is not just to note this in the data, but to understand what it means.
- The QAF process provides the cornerstone for assurance. DB thanked the Business Unit and all the organisations that take part in the process. The process provides organisations with feedback on how to improve, whilst also helping them to prepare for CQC inspection.
- The data highlights increasing volumes and complexities which poses a challenge for leaders and organisations. We need to continue to strive to avoid duplication of work and seek greater efficiency in what we do.
- Reports sometimes raise queries in the media around rising figures. Some of this could be attributed to training and improved awareness, but the ability to provide a more comprehensive response to this should be something to strive towards.

<b>Agenda Item 4</b>	<b>Annual Report 2022-23 – First Draft</b>	<b>Presenter:</b> Amy Mahoney
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The Annual Report is a statutory requirement of the Care Act. The current report covers the period from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2022 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023, and the draft version was shared with the agenda for comment and feedback. The layout and formatting have remained similar to previous years, as they have received positive feedback, and any feedback from previous reports has been taken into consideration. This year's report includes a glossary of terms to assist readers.

- The opening pages provide an introduction to the role, function and structure of the Board.
- Page 4 outlines key achievements across the year such as awareness campaigns and events.
- The data section highlights the key themes from the End of Year Report.
- The Communication and Engagement and Training pages reflect the high level of work that has taken place in these areas including awareness raising campaigns and social media campaigns. Details of the Champions initiative have been included. There was a focus on recruitment during the year which resulted in a significant increase across a variety of sectors. A summary of the training commissioned by the Board is provided and includes some feedback from learners.
- The report includes a section for each of the priorities that were identified within the Board's Strategic Plan and sets out 'what we said we would do' and 'what we did'. This section aims to reflect the volume of work completed by the Board and its partners.
- A dedicated section has been included for SARs. The Care Act requires that Boards provide details of concluded SARs during the period and provide information on what has been done to implement the findings from the reviews. TSAB recorded its highest number of concluded SARs during this period. The section also includes details of the North East SAR Champions network, to which TSAB have made a significant contribution.
- Partner activity is included as a theme throughout the report with a focus on positive news stories and how they have implemented the Board's Strategic Plan over the year. Based on the results from the Annual Consultation Survey the Board's priorities for 2023-24 are set out.
- The appendix at the end of the report provides details of Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards (DoLS) Applications from the four Local Authority areas plus a Glossary of Terms.

DB thanked the Business Unit and everyone that has contributed to the report. The report provides a

good reflection of the work that TSAB has done over the year; noting that the learning in relation to the Molly SAR which has been shared at national level demonstrates the Board's ambition to improve things wider than just a local level.

Members are requested to provide any feedback on the report to the Business Unit by Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> September. Final amendments will be made and the final version will be shared for approval at the October Board meeting in preparation for publication in November.

The Business Unit will prepare a press release that can be used if any media interested is generated once the Report is published. DB added that he will be happy to support with this if required.

Action Points	Action Owner	Deadline
1. Feedback on the Annual Report to be provided to the Business Unit	All	22/09/2023
2. Press release to be drafted	Business Unit	31/10/2023

<b>Agenda Item 5</b>	<b>Team Around The Individual (TATI) Review</b>	<b>Presenter:</b> Ruth Musicka & Deborah Fenny
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Deborah Fenny and Ruth Musicka provided an update on the work that has taken place to review the TATI process. The review was carried out as a recommendation from the Molly SAR. It was identified that the four Local Authority areas were carrying out the process in four different ways. The aim of the work was to try and standardise this across the four areas and also to emphasise the need to have the right people in attendance.

The meeting agenda contained a link to the final document for the High Risk Adults Panel (HRAP). The work will be led by senior leaders within organisations to ensure that individuals are supported through the process, and also to ensure that as much as possible has been done through Safeguarding prior to this stage. Links will also be established with MAPPA, MATAC and MARAC to ensure that work is not being duplicated. Learning and themes identified by HRAP will be recorded by the Chairs and will be reported back to Board on a regular basis so that any learning can be shared.

DB thanked members of the group for their work and added that this will be a positive legacy from the Molly SAR. DB stressed the importance of commitment for the new process to work effectively and requested that all members ensure that they have read the documents and are fully committed to the process prior to agreement.

No concerns were raised so the document was agreed as approved.

<b>Agenda Item 6</b>	<b>Sub-Group and Task &amp; Finish Group Update</b>	<b>Presenter:</b> Sub-Group Chairs
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**Communication & Engagement – Amy Mahoney on behalf of Neil Harrison**

The Communication and Engagement Sub-group last met on 3rd July. A number of task and finish group meetings have also taken place for the Spotlight on Modern Slavery and Exploitation Campaign which will take place week commencing 2<sup>nd</sup> October. As part of the week's activities a key event hosted in conjunction with the Anti-Slavery Network and Childrens Partnerships will take place on 2nd October with over 400 delegates already signed up to attend. The conference will include speakers from Barnardo's, Causeway, Police, Adult Safeguarding, The Anti-Slavery Network, Salvation Army and the North East Regional Organised Crime Unit. With the support of Barnardo's a guest speaker with lived experience will also present during the conference.

A task and finish group has also met to commence plans for National Safeguarding Adults Week which is taking place 20-24 November 2023. The theme is 'Safeguarding Yourself and Others' with a focus on 'wellbeing'. Activities will include a Bus Stop campaign for two weeks in November to raise awareness of reporting abuse.

The Sub-group are attempting to take a focus on promoting good practice and positive news stories and the August Newsletter included a 'good news' story from Hartlepool Borough Council who had

collaborated with Hartlepool Deaf Centre and Trading Standards to deliver Safeguarding Awareness and Scams and Financial Abuse sessions to members of the Deaf Centre.

DB thanked the group for its work and welcomed the approach of sharing positive news stories and areas of good practice.

### **Operational Leads – Amy Mahoney**

The Sub-Group have met on two occasions since the last Board meeting, on 6th July and more recently on 7th September.

Multi Agency Audits have taken place on the topics of Modern Slavery and Incidents Between Residents. A copy of the Modern Slavery Combined Report was shared with the agenda and Stockton Borough Council (SBC), who led on the Incidents Between Residents audit, will present their report to the October Board meeting.

Members discussed limb contractures in care homes. Two case studies were presented by a physiotherapist and conversations took place around the circumstances when a safeguarding concern would be appropriate. A further meeting will take place outside of the Sub-group to have a wider discussion, and it was agreed that this would also be considered as part of the Board's Decision Support Guidance review.

The operational workplan is reviewed at each meeting. In response to the action to review and develop new guidance and policies a Policies, Procedures and Practice working group will be established given the high volume of documents to review over the year, and a number of recommendations from recently concluded SARs requiring the development of new guidance.

**Modern Slavery Multi-Agency Collated Report** - The Modern Slavery audits took place on 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> June 2023, with all four Local Authorities providing one case for audit. Three of the four cases progressed to a S42 Enquiry. Modern Slavery was chosen as the theme for the audit as this ranked as one of the least understood forms of abuse amongst professionals and the public in the Board's Annual Consultation Survey. The audits highlighted the complex nature of cases involving Modern Slavery and the strong Multi-Disciplinary Team approach. Professionals from a range of services worked together collaboratively within a short time frame to offer support to the adult. Actions were set during the meeting following discussions with the adult and their views and wishes were considered to inform the action plan and next steps. The adult was fully involved in the process and attempts to engage the adult were utilised through creative engagement methods. Professionals went over and above their duties, arranging emergency accommodation whilst on annual leave, and supporting with language translation.

Wider issues were also considered in some of the cases such as the risk to others and associates, and access to services such as dentists and education. Professional Curiosity was evidenced in one of the cases as professionals tracked the registration plate of the car that had brought the victim to the Police station. Professionals also attempted to find out additional information in relation to the 'auntie' the victim was referring to. There was also evidence of cultural understanding reflected within this case.

The audits have provided evidence to demonstrate the complexity of cases being managed within the Local Authorities and the commitment of partner agencies to work together to support adults with multiple and complex issues. In most cases, the adult was fully involved throughout the safeguarding process and their views and wishes central to the outcome, reflecting the principles of Making Safeguarding Personal.

DB added that it was good to see partners looking at a type of abuse that is less well understood, and that it is positive to see the audit work linking to the work of the Communication and Engagement Sub Group via the Modern Slavery and Exploitation Campaign.

### **Performance, Audit and Quality – Erik Scollay**

The Sub-group met on 12<sup>th</sup> September. The focus for the meeting was the individual End of Year Reports from the four Local Authorities and the combined End of Year Report for Board. The Sub-group

considered the National Data, and how this compares to local data and discussed the development of the PowerBi system for managing data.

PowerBi will pull data from existing reporting systems and allow the data to be analysed in ‘real time’ via a reporting dashboard. The aim is to have the system ready for use with the Quarter 2 data.

**Safeguarding Adults Review – Jill Harrison**

*This section has been removed due to its confidential nature*

SAR Report 2022-23 - Space is limited within the Board’s Annual Report and is unable to truly reflect the amount of work that comes from the SAR Sub-Group. This report has been pulled together to demonstrate, evidence and provide additional assurance on how learning from reviews has been shared, considered, and embedded into practice. This will now become an annual piece of work which will help feed into the Board’s overarching annual report. Key points from the report include an increasing number of cases, with last year seeing the highest number of SARs progressed within a reporting year, since TSAB was formed. Themes have been monitored with one surprising theme emerging relating to individuals who have diabetes. This information will be shared through the acute trusts and primary care so that they are aware of the factors and how this can impact on a case. The majority of cases now involve younger adults with a range of needs including mental health, domestic abuse, substance misuse and trauma rather than just one issue.

Sarah Bowman-Abouna requested that the information is also shared with Public Health. They are working to increase access to health checks and to support individuals to attend.

DB noted the importance of reviewing the SAR information on an annual basis and sharing the findings with partners. The report provides an opportunity for organisations to reflect on the amount of work that goes into SARs and the input required from the organisations involved. DB requested that Diabetes is raised at the next regional group meeting to establish if this is reflected across the region and may be something to raise at national level. AM will request that this is added to the agenda for the next regional meeting.

Whorton Hall – Following the high profile case in Durham, SABs have received a letter from Inclusion North highlighting concerns around access to good quality advocacy. It has been agreed that there will be a regional response and the regional Independent Chairs group will meet at the end of September to discuss this. The Whorton Hall Report is on the agenda for the SAR Sub-Group to consider how learning can be taken forward. An event is being planned for the new year by Durham SAB to look at and share the lessons learned from the report.

**Adult Sexual Exploitation Guidance – Jez Collins**

A task & finish group have been brought together to develop guidance in relation to Adult Sexual Exploitation (ASE). The group have developed a Practitioners Tool Kit, guidance and a risk assessment screening tool to help assess if an individual is subject to ASE. The group also looked at an agreed definition and have created a flowchart to help staff assess what action to take, where to refer and who to approach. The initial draft is now complete and is out for consultation. The aim is to have the final draft ready to share at the October Board meeting for feedback and approval.

DB added that an action from the Molly SAR was for a national definition to be agreed. In the absence of this a local definition will be useful so that people know what they are working to, but this would need to be flexible in the event that a national definition is agreed.

Action Points	Action Owner	Deadline
1. SAR Report to be shared with Public Health	GH	11/10/2023
2. Diabetes to be added to the agenda for the next regional meeting	AM	11/10/2023

Agenda Item 7	Update on Domestic Abuse	Presenter: Tracey Brittain
Tracey Brittain (TB) attended the meeting on behalf of Rachelle Kipling to provide an update on Domestic Abuse and The Safe Lives Project. The Safe Lives Project was commissioned to review		



Domestic Abuse across Tees. The final report from the work was met with disagreement around content and the Domestic Abuse Act also superseded a number of the recommendations within the report. As a result of this a challenge was made as to how the work and lack of strategic approach would then be taken forward. In response to this Cleveland Police and the Office of the Police & Crime Commissioner (OPCC) held a strategic event in June to look at the profile of Domestic Abuse across Tees and the strategic join up. It was agreed that the Police & Crime Commissioner would write to lead officers to request attendance at a meeting to discuss the way forward to addressing the shared concerns.

DB stressed the importance of understanding what is done at local authority level and what can be done Teeswide and of gaining assurance in relation to Domestic Abuse. Richard Baker added that there is some good work ongoing across all four Local Authority areas, and that any work to provide consistency across the Tees area would help to improve the service to individuals from organisations such as Cleveland Police who operate across all four areas. TB will chase progress on this with the OPCC.

Action Points	Action Owner	Deadline
1. Check on progress of letter to lead officers	TB	11/10/2023

<b>Agenda Item 8</b>	<b>Adult Exploitation Overview</b>	<b>Presenter: Cara Nimmo</b>
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Concerns have been voiced in previous TSAB meetings in relation to Adult Exploitation, and the need to reach a position where an approach can be clearly articulated. Cara Nimmo is leading a piece of work to provide a more coherent approach on what is being done across Tess in relation to Adult exploitation.

Patrick Rice provided an update on the work on behalf of Cara Nimmo. A task and finish group with representation from all the Statutory Partners has been established. The group are due to meet on the 26th September to agree the Terms of Reference which can then be brought to the October Board meeting for approval. The group hope to plan an event in October which will include wider partners and representatives from the third sector. Work is also underway to look at work done by other SABs in relation to Adult Exploitation and also with the two Safeguarding Childrens Partnerships on Tees.

DB requested that the Terms of Reference are brought to the October Board meeting for approval prior to work commencing.

Action Points	Action Owner	Deadline
1. Adult Exploitation Terms of Reference to be brought to October meeting for approval	CN	1/10/2023

<b>Agenda Item 9</b>	<b>Any Other Business</b>	<b>Presenter: All</b>
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The minutes from the Housing Round Table meeting were included on the agenda for information. There is no intention to bring the group together for further meetings as the work is now for the Local Authorities to consider how they can work more closely with providers. DB thanked those that had attended the meeting.

Next Meeting Date: **Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> October 2023**  
 Time: **9.30am – 12pm**  
 Venue: **Microsoft Teams**

Minutes approved by Independent Chair:



Date: 26/09/2023

<b>Appendix 1 - Attendance Matrix</b>								
The table below reflects named members of the TSAB, although deputies have been shaded.								
<b>Company</b>	<b>16/02/2023</b>	<b>07/03/2023</b>	<b>19/04/2023</b>	<b>14/06/2023</b>	<b>13/09/2023</b>	<b>11/10/2023</b>	<b>13/12/2023</b>	<b>5</b>
Catalyst Stockton / Hartlepower	2	1	1	1	2	0	0	100%
ICB	2	2	3	1	2	0	0	100%
Cleveland Fire Brigade	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	80%
Cleveland Police	1	1	2	1	2	0	0	100%
CQC Board Member (Mlbro, Redcar, Stockton) (committed to attend 2 meetings per year)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0%
CQC Board Member (Hartlepool)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0%
Durham Tees Valley CRC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0%
DWP	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	60%
Hartlepool and Stockton Safeguarding Children Partnership	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0%
Hartlepool Borough Council	2	2	3	2	1	0	0	100%
HBC Lead Member	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	80%
Healthwatch Hartlepool	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	40%
Healthwatch South Tees	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	60%
Healthwatch Stockton	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	60%
HMP Holme House Prison	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	80%
Middlesbrough Borough Council	1	1	2	1	2	0	0	100%
MBC Lead Member	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	80%
Middlesbrough VDA / Redcar & Cleveland VDA	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	20%
National Probation Service Cleveland	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	20%
North East Ambulance Service (attend for specific agenda items only)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0%
North Tees & Hartlepool NHS Foundation Trust	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	100%
Public Health	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	60%
Office of Police & Crime Commissioner (committed to 2 meetings per year)	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	80%
Redcar & Cleveland Borough Council	1	1	1	2	1	0	0	100%
RCBC Lead Member	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	60%
Stockton on Tees Borough Council	1	1	2	1	1	0	0	100%
SBC Lead Member	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	60%
South Tees Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	100%
South Tees Safeguarding Children Partnership	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	20%
Teesside University	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0%
Tees Esk & Wear Valleys NHS Foundation Trust	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	100%
Thirteen Housing	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	80%
TSAB Independent Chair	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	100%
TSAB Business Unit	5	6	7	6	7	0	0	100%