


Health and Wellbeing Board Paper

1. Reference Information

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2. Executive summary

The Surrey Safeguarding Adults Board (SSAB) is a statutory Board with responsibilities set out in the Care Act 2014.

The Board is chaired by an independent chair, Simon Turpitt.

It is a statutory duty for all Safeguarding Adult Board’s to publish an annual report.

To support the transparency of the work of the Board, the Annual Report is presented to the Health and Wellbeing Board.

3. Recommendations

It is recommended that the Health and Wellbeing Board:

1. Considers and notes the attached Surrey Safeguarding Adults Board Annual Report.

2. Agrees to ensure alignment of both Boards strategy so that there are more focussed work plans that build together and avoid overlap
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Reason for Recommendations

These recommendations demonstrate that the Council is well placed to fulfil its obligations under the Care Act to have an established Safeguarding Adults Board in its area.

It will support the SSAB to be transparent by providing information to the public on the performance of the Board in the delivery of its strategic plan.

4. Detail

1. Surrey has had a Safeguarding Adults Board (SAB) in place for over a decade. The Board has been statutory since the implementation of the Care Act in April 2015. The primary duty of the SAB is to ensure that the main statutory agencies work together to improve practice which protects and promotes the safety of adults at risk of abuse and neglect in Surrey.
2. Surrey Safeguarding Adults Board has presented its Annual Report to Cabinet for the last nine years. It is a statutory requirement under the Care Act for the Annual Report to be sent to the Chief Executive and Leader of the local authority, the Police and Crime Commissioner, the Chief Constable, Healthwatch, and the Chairman of the Health and Wellbeing Board.
3. The Board would like to support elected Members as community leaders to have a good understanding of the range of abuse and neglect issues that can affect adults and of the importance of balancing safeguarding with empowerment, as required by the Care Act (Section 14.193 of the statutory guidance). It is anticipated the Annual Report will increase that understanding.

Care Act 2014

4. The Care Act states each local authority must establish a Safeguarding Adults Board for its area. The objective of a SAB is to help and protect adults in its area from abuse and neglect. The way in which a SAB must seek to achieve its objective is by co-ordinating and ensuring the effectiveness of what each of its members does. A SAB may do anything which appears to it to be necessary or desirable for the purpose of achieving its objective.
5. Section 42(1) of the Care Act describes the adults that must be protected by safeguarding as:
 - a. an adult in the Local Authority area (whether or not ordinarily resident there)
 - b. who has needs for care and support (whether or not the authority is meeting any of those needs) and
 - c. is experiencing, or is at risk of, abuse or neglect, and
 - d. as a result of those needs is unable to protect himself or herself against the abuse or neglect or the risk of it.

5. Challenges

The Annual Report is a description of the Board's activities and challenges faced during the year. It will have been shared with all partner members of the Board and made available to the public. It is not appropriate to consult on the content.

6. Timescale and delivery plan

N/A

7. How is this being communicated?

The Finalised report has been approved by cabinet and is now on the public website and in the newsletter of the Safeguarding Adults Board. It has also been scrutinised by the Adults and Health Select Committee.

Copies will be circulated via member agencies to their organisations. The Board will also ensure that the Children's Partnership, Community Safety Board and the PCC will receive copies.

8. Next steps

The Board's Annual Report has been or will be :

- Placed on the Surrey SAB website
- Circulated with the Surrey SAB newsletter (next edition)
- Sent electronically to all Board members for them to cascade within their own agencies
- Sent electronically to the Police and Crime Commissioner
- Sent electronically to the Chief Constable
- Sent electronically to Healthwatch
- Sent electronically to Health and Wellbeing Board.
- Sent electronically to the Children's Partnership
- Sent electronically to the Community Safety Board