

**Safeguarding Adults Partnership Board Annual Report 2015/16 -  
Responses to Members' Questions**

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**REASON FOR ITEM**

To provide Members with the responses to the questions which were asked in relation to the Safeguarding Adults Partnership Board Annual Report 2015/16, which was presented at the Committee's last meeting

**OPTIONS OPEN TO THE COMMITTEE**

**The Committee is asked to note the responses provided, and comment further if necessary.**

**INFORMATION**

1. At the last meeting of the Committee held on 6 September 2016, the Committee gave consideration to the Safeguarding Adults Partnership Board Annual Report 2015/16. Whilst no comments from the Committee were made on the report before it was submitted to the Cabinet, Members asked a number of questions.
2. Below are the responses to those questions from the Chair of the Safeguarding Adults Partnership Board:

**1. Finances - why is there no information about funding, expenditure?**

[There is a joint business unit budget shared with the Hillingdon LSCB. At present we have contributions specifically for the SAB from the Police, £5,000 and the London Fire Brigade £1,000. The joint budget will be reported in the next annual report.]

**2. National Competency Framework - report and adoption - has it happened?**

[This is being progressed by the Adult Social Care Safeguarding and Quality Assurance Service Manager]

**3. Annual business plan - is it available please?**

[see attached appendix].

**4. When should advocates be used in safeguarding?**

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[This is agency specific and their use is in line with agency guidance].

**5. How can managers ensure that the supervision they provide supports good safeguarding practice?**

[Each agency has its own guidance regarding supervision of staff.]

**6. How can practitioners support someone after a safeguarding incident, to prevent further abuse or neglect?**

[This is a specific issue regarding front line practice. Each agency has its own practice standards that are in line with the Pan London procedures.]

**7. How would you handle it if a partner organisation fails to share information about an individual that is relevant to safeguarding?**

[The SAB has produced and implemented a clear escalation policy for agencies].

**8. Changes in circumstances can immobilise the most active person. How do we ensure that the right services or support is available to those who need them to prevent crisis and maintain optimum health?**

[This again relates to front line practice. There is training for staff and the Board is working on a multi agency training package and to agree competencies and training standards across partner agencies.]

**9. Advanced practitioner role in operational teams - what consideration?**

[Already in operation and embedded in operational team.]

**10. On the list of Members we do not have any mental health charities i.e MIND, Why is this?**

[Healthwatch are standing members. Also representation from Age Concern who report into a charity cluster.]

**11." Work is in progress to develop multi agency half day workshops" Do we know when this may be delivered and if it will be delivered to all the charities and work places? If any private companies would pay for this course?**

[These have already started. Courses fully booked and more sessions planned. Feedback is excellent. We are looking at future plans to implement a charging policy.]

**12. What does "Regulator inspection in reporting period and outcomes "mean? And why have some have "Individual Agency Contributions " either N/A or none?**

[The question "Regulator inspection in reporting period and outcomes" means, has any agency been inspected by their regulator during the period of time covered by the SAB

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annual Report. For example a Hospital may have been inspected by CQC during the period of time covered by the SAB Annual Report and agencies would be expected to detail this in their individual contributions.

["N/A of none" will be because individual agencies have nothing to report in that area of their contribution].

**13. Under Mental Health Services Acute Wards for Adults is classed as " inadequate " At Riverside . Are we going to be looking at this and working towards a better overall trust rating?**

[Riverside inspection and mental health services: Board will scrutinise agency reports and measures taken to improve. Membership from CNWL at Executive level on board.]

**14. When you look at mental health services several of the Adults mental health areas require improvement. How are we once again working to improve this?**

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