

HILLINGDON LOCAL SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN BOARD ANNUAL REPORT, SAFEGUARDING ADULT BOARD ANNUAL REPORT

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HEADLINES

The Hillingdon Local Safeguarding Children Board (HLSCB), and the Safeguarding Adult Board (SAB) has a statutory duty to publish an annual report on the effectiveness of child and adult safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and adults in the Borough. Once agreed by the HLSCB and SAB, the reports are submitted each year to the Cabinet for consideration, along with the Chief Executive, the Leader of the Council and the Chairman of the Health and Wellbeing Board.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Committee notes the annual reports and agrees any comments to be included within the two safeguarding reports when they are presented to the Cabinet.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

HLSCB:

The annual report lays out the work undertaken by the Board this year, and includes specific reports from each of the agencies that make up the Board. The purpose of the annual report is to provide evidence about the standard to which the agencies responsible for safeguarding children in the London Borough of Hillingdon have performed.

There will be significant changes to local safeguarding children boards over the next year, brought about by the Children and Social Work Act 2017. As a result Hillingdon will have new safeguarding arrangements overseen by the safeguarding partners who consist of the local Borough Police Commander, Chief Operating Officer of the Clinical Commissioning Group and the Chief Executive of the local authority.

The OFSTED inspection took place in Hillingdon in April 2018. This report has been slightly delayed to allow time for results of that OFSTED inspection to become public. The OFSTED inspection process provides the best evidence of the state of safeguarding in the borough. Whilst OFSTED only inspect children's social care, the work of partners supports their work and so the OFSTED inspection is a reflection of the state of play of safeguarding here in Hillingdon.

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The fantastic news is that OFSTED decided that Hillingdon is graded as 'good' with outstanding features in terms of Leadership.

SAB:

The annual report lays out the work undertaken by the Board this year, and includes specific reports from each of the agencies that make up the Board. The purpose of the annual report is to provide evidence about the standard to which the agencies responsible for safeguarding adults in the London Borough of Hillingdon have performed.

This year a joint LSCB and SAB conference was held in partnership with the CCG to highlight to professionals the importance of early recognition of the signs of Sepsis. This was very well attended by professionals from all fields and a second event is arranged for November this year. The SAB audit programme has progressed with a current audit looking at the journey of the vulnerable adult through Heathrow airport and the service they receive outside of the airport. There is also work currently looking at the Sect. 136 referrals. A spot audit was undertaken by CNWL which dispelled the myth that a lot of the Sect. 136's were from Heathrow.

We now have a training programme for professionals working with vulnerable adults. This can be accessed via learning zone.

The SAB have a proactive action plan for the coming year. Our priorities are Modern day Slavery, Domestic Abuse, Adult Grooming/Financial abuse and audit of current training. Progress on the action plan will be reported at each board meeting.

Implications on related Council policies

A role of the Policy Overview Committees is to make comments and/or recommendations on service changes and improvements to the Cabinet who are responsible for the Council's policy and direction.

How this report benefits Hillingdon residents

The work of the Boards seeks to improve outcomes for the Council's most vulnerable residents.

Financial Implications

None at this stage.

Legal Implications

None at this stage.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

NIL

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