

READING HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD

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REPORT TITLE:	Safeguarding Adults Board Annual Report 2016-17		
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1. PURPOSE OF REPORT AND EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1.1.1 The Safeguarding Adults Board (SAB) must lead adult safeguarding arrangements across its locality and oversee and coordinate the effectiveness of the safeguarding work of its member and partner agencies. The overarching purpose of a SAB is to help and safeguard adults with care and support needs. It does this by: assuring itself that local safeguarding arrangements are in place as defined by the Care Act 2014 and statutory guidance; assuring itself that safeguarding practice is person-centred and outcome-focused; working collaboratively to prevent abuse and neglect where possible; ensuring agencies and individuals give timely and proportionate responses when abuse or neglect have occurred; assuring itself that safeguarding practice is continuously improving and enhancing the quality of life of adults in its area.

The Annual Report 2016-17 presents what the SAB aimed to achieve on behalf of the residents of Reading, West Berkshire and Wokingham during 2016-17, both as a partnership and through the work of its participating partners. It provides a picture of who is safeguarded across the area, in what circumstance and why. It outlines the role and values of the SAB, its ongoing work and future priorities.

- 1.2 Appendix A Board member organisations
 Appendix B Achievements by partner agencies
 Appendix C Completed Business Plan 2016-17
 Appendix D Business Plan 2017-18
 Appendix E Partners Safeguarding Performance Annual Reports:
 - Berkshire Healthcare Foundation Trust
 - Reading Borough Council
 - Royal Berkshire Foundation Trust
 - West Berkshire Council
 - Wokingham Borough Council
 Appendix F Safeguarding Adults Training Activity

2. RECOMMENDED ACTION

2.1 Members are asked to note the content of the report.

3. POLICY CONTEXT

3.1 The SAB has a duty to develop and publish a Strategic Plan setting out how it will meet its objectives and how members and partner agencies will contribute. The Annual Report details how effectively these objectives have been met.

5. CONTRIBUTION TO STRATEGIC AIMS

5.1 The annual report outlines how partner agencies have contributed to the work of the Safeguarding Adults Board in supporting vulnerable adults, contributing to the strategy's aims 2 and 6 of: Reducing loneliness and social isolation and Making Reading a place where people can live well with dementia.

5.2 The proposal recognises that plans in support of Reading's 2017-20 Health and Wellbeing Strategy should be built on three foundations - safeguarding vulnerable adults and children, recognising and supporting all carers, and high quality co-ordinated information to support wellbeing. The proposal specifically addresses these in the following ways:

The report outlines how partner agencies have contributed to the work of the Safeguarding Adults Board in supporting vulnerable adults.

6. COMMUNITY & STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT

6.1 Not applicable.

7. EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

7.1 Not applicable.

8. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

8.1 The Safeguarding Adults Board has a duty under the Care Act 2014 to publish an Annual Report detailing how effective its work has been.

9. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

9.1 Not applicable.

10. BACKGROUND PAPERS

10.1 None.