

Leicestershire and Rutland Local Safeguarding Children Board and Safeguarding Adults Board Joint Business Development Plan 2017-18

Priority: LSCBSAB1 The 'Toxic Trio'

Priority Statement: Have assurance regarding multi-agency safeguarding responses to vulnerable children and adults where the toxic trio of domestic abuse, substance misuse and mental health difficulties are present

Rationale:

The 'toxic trio' continues to be a key factor in learning from SCR and alternative reviews and the prevalence of this combination of factors in domestic abuse cases remains high.

We have concluded that the presence of these three separate risk factors together presents significant safeguarding risk for children, and for adults in need of care and support. Work needs to be undertaken to develop a more coherent threshold framework that enables the responses of domestic abuse, mental health and drug and substance misuse services to be delivered in a co-ordinated multi-agency and cross-generational framework better to safeguard the individuals concerned.

What do we want to be different?:

We seek more coherent and better co-ordinated multi-agency responses to cases that combine these three elements so that we are assured that safeguarding is effectively secured for the children, young people and adults concerned.

Partnership Lead: Police – Jonny Starbuck & LCC – Moira O'Hagan

Board Officer: Helen Pearson

Key delivery mechanism: DVDG?

Objective	What are we going to do?	When is it going to be done by?	Who is responsible?	How will we measure progress and impact?	Progress made	Impact / what difference did it make?
To develop a coherent, co-ordinated framework that delivers effective safeguarding responses where these three factors are present across families	Map the differential thresholds that determine access to domestic abuse, mental health and drug and substance misuse services	May 2017			Meeting with Priority Leads on April 5 th 2017 to produce Action Plan	
	Develop arrangements that more effectively interface these thresholds to create a framework that will secure better co-ordinated responses to cases	July 2017				
	Develop associated pathway guidance, practice guidance and training and development					

	programme to support effective implementation					
	Agree quality assurance and performance management framework to test impact					

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Priority: LSCBSAB2 Participation and Engagement

Priority Statement: Children and Vulnerable Adults have effective, direct input and participation in the work of the Board

Rationale:

Engagement and Participation supports effective, person-centred working
Ofsted recommendation for LSCB

What do we want to be different?:

Children have a meaningful say in and contribute to the work of the Board
Vulnerable Adults have a meaningful say in and contribute to the work of the Board
The work of the Board is changed because of the input of Children and Vulnerable adults.

Partnership Lead: (Independent Chair)

Board Officer: Sanj Pattani

Key delivery mechanism: Links with existing forums and support

Objective	What are we going to do?	When is it going to be done by?	Who is responsible?	How will we measure progress and impact?	Progress made	Impact / what difference did it make?
Assess models of participation	Audit work undertaken in other Boards that have secured outstanding judgements in this area Test other models that have been used to secure more meaningful engagement of service users	July 2017 July 2017	Task and Finish Group?	Evidence of priorities identified by participation and engagement impacting on overall business planning and priority setting – and subsequent feedback from service users that improvements have been secured in areas they identified for improvement		
Implement appropriate models of participation for LSCB and SAB	Ensure that both the Boards and mainstream services across the partnership embed more effective engagement and participation activities	September 2017 – March 2018				
Children have had direct input into the work of the LSCB	Identify methodologies to achieve this	July 2017				
Adults with care and support needs have had direct input into the work of the Board	Identify methodologies to achieve this	July 2017				

Priority: LSCBSAB3 Emotional Health and Wellbeing

Priority Statement: Board needs to be assured of the emotional health and well-being of adults and children

Rationale:

Need to ensure inter-agency working at frontline effectively safeguards individuals and approaches this from a ‘Think Family’ perspective
 Significant changes to health provision for children and vulnerable adults that enable safeguarding risk to be reduced

What do we want to be different:

- Frontline staff are confident and competent in recognising and responding to safeguarding risks that are related to emotional health and well-being needs
- In cases when an adult has a mental illness, the needs of any children in the family are being recognised and addressed
- Children with mental health needs can present a risk to vulnerable adults in some cases
- In “business as usual”, agencies across LSCB and SAB partnership are sharing appropriate tools of information of risk
- The Board is assured that development and review of health and well-being services improves safeguarding approaches (BCT & STP (Sustainability & Transformation plan))

Partnership Lead: Dr Mike McHugh

Board Officer: Gary Watts

Key delivery mechanism:

Objective	What are we going to do?	When is it going to be done by?	Who is responsible ?	How will we measure progress and impact?	Progress made	Impact / what difference did it make?
Assurance re: STP (Sustainability & Transformation plan) improves risk management of safeguarding...	Receive Safeguarding Risk Assessment of STP (Sustainability & Transformation plan) and review update during year	July 2017	STP Board and Safeguarding Boards			
Develop common understanding of emotional health and safeguarding risk across all agencies	Produce practice guidance and implement appropriate training and development activities	December 2017	STP Board and Safeguarding Boards	Number of safeguarding referrals from partners Numbers of referrals for both young and adult carer support		
Emotional health and safeguarding risk with regard to the broader family context is considered in safeguarding work with children and adults	Produce practice guidance and implement appropriate training and development activities	March 2017	STP Board and Safeguarding Boards	Practitioner led enquiry (forum / event) – capture in assurance report		

Priority: LSCBSAB 4 Multi-Agency Risk Management / Supervision

Priority Statement: Strengthen Multi-agency risk management approaches

Rationale:

The need to strengthen multi-agency risk management approaches has been identified in SCRs, other reviews and a range of audits undertaken in the last year

What do we want to be different?:

Develop a structured multi-agency framework to enable a reflective supervision session to be used in cases where the issues are complex or entrenched. E.g. Multi-Agency Supervision approach

Partnership Lead: LCC – Chris Nerini

Board Officer: Chris Tew

Key delivery mechanism:

Objective	What are we going to do?	When is it going to be done by?	Who is responsible?	How will we measure progress and impact?	Progress made	Impact / what difference did it make?
Develop a Multi-Agency Supervision approach to secure improved multi-agency discussion, planning and delivery of safeguarding delivery in complex cases	Research what models are already available locally or nationally	July 2017				
	Examine existing local arrangements across Children and Adults services					
	Meet with stakeholders in partner agencies to identify the key drivers, any opportunities or potential barriers to the implementation of a multi-agency case supervision model (Possibly via online survey)					
	Develop processes to implement the agreed approach and outcomes (e.g. reduction in number of children on and plan for 2 years or more)					

	Form a Task and Finish Group to further develop processes across agencies					
	Agree changes and update multi-agency and single agency procedures as necessary					
	Implement changes and communicate new processes across L&R agencies	March 2018				

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