

## CABINET

17 July 2018

### LEICESTERSHIRE & RUTLAND LOCAL SAFEGUARDING ADULTS BOARD (LRSAB) BUSINESS PLAN 2018/19

#### Report of the Chair of the LRSAB

Strategic Aim:	Safeguarding	
Key Decision: No	Forward Plan Reference: FP170118	
Exempt Information	No	
Cabinet Member(s) Responsible:	Mr Alan Walters, Portfolio Holder for Safeguarding – Adults, Public Health, Health Commissioning, Community Safety and Road Safety	
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#### DECISION RECOMMENDATIONS

That Cabinet:

1. Considers the LRSAB Business Plan for 2018/19 and make any comments for amendment to be considered by the Board.

## **1 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT**

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to set out the draft proposed Business Plan priorities for the Leicestershire and Rutland Safeguarding Adults Board (LRSAB) for 2018/19 for noting and comment by Cabinet.

## **2 BACKGROUND AND MAIN CONSIDERATIONS**

- 2.1 The LRSAB is a statutory body under the Care Act 2014. One of the SABs three core duties is to develop and publish a strategic plan setting out how they will meet their objectives and how their member and partner agencies will contribute.
- 2.2 The Annual Report of the LRSAB was considered by Rutland Cabinet in October 2017 and emerging priorities for the new Business Plans for 2018/19 were discussed at that meeting. The views expressed at that stage were fed into the formative process for the Plan and are reflected in the current priorities.
- 2.3 The future improvement priorities identified in the Annual Report 2016/17 have been built into the Business Plan for 2018/19. In addition to issues arising from the Annual Report the new Business Plan's priorities have been identified against a range of national and local drivers including:
- national safeguarding policy initiatives and drivers;
  - recommendations from regulatory inspections across partner agencies;
  - the outcomes of serious case reviews, serious incident learning processes, domestic homicide reviews and other review processes both national and local;
  - evaluation of the business plans for 2017/18 including analysis of impact afforded by the quality assurance and performance management framework;
  - best practice reports issued at both national and local levels;
  - the views expressed by both service users and front-line staff through the Boards' engagement and participation arrangements;
- 2.4 The new Business Plan has been informed by discussions that have taken place in several forums since the autumn of 2017. These include:
- meetings of the Scrutiny Panels in both Leicestershire and Rutland at which both the Annual Report 2016/17 and future priorities for action have been debated;
  - meetings of the Leicestershire and Rutland Health and Well-Being Boards at which both the Annual Report 2016/17 and future priorities for action have been debated;
  - discussions within individual agencies.

- 2.5 The Strategic priorities for the LRSAB were formulated through the annual Development Session held on 14 November 2017 and subsequent development and Board meetings

## **3 BUSINESS PLAN PRIORITIES**

- 3.1 Unlike previous years for 2018/19 the LRSAB business plan is not supplemented by a plan incorporating shared priorities with the Leicestershire and Rutland Local Safeguarding Children Board (LRLSCB), as no areas of joint priority have been identified this year.

3.2 The specific priorities that have arisen for the LRSAB are:

<b>Development Priority</b>	<b>Summary</b>
1. Prevention of Safeguarding Need	Prevention of safeguarding need through building resilience and self-awareness in adults with care and support needs.
2. Mental Capacity	Improving the understanding of capacity to consent and application of the Mental Capacity act across agencies.
3. Safeguarding Adult Thresholds	Promote better and more consistent understanding and use of adult safeguarding thresholds.
4. Engagement	Ensure the work of the Safeguarding Adults Board is informed by the views of adults with care and support needs

3.3 Key outcomes for improvement and the actions that will need to be taken over the next year to achieve these improved outcomes are included in the business development plan appended.

3.4 The Quality Assurance and Performance Management Framework for the Board will be revised to ensure that it reflects the new Business Plan and enable ongoing monitoring of performance of core business that is not covered in the business plan.

#### **4 CONSULTATION**

4.1 All members of the Board and its Executive have had opportunities to contribute to and comment on the Business Plan. Key issues have been identified from the workforce, and the Board is developing its engagement and participation approach as part of this plan.

#### **5 ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS**

5.1 Although the Business Plan was signed off by the SAB at the meeting of 23rd March 2018, feedback from Cabinet will support the ongoing development of the action plans for these priorities.

#### **6 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

6.1 There are no specific financial implications of the Safeguarding Boards' business plans.

6.2 Rutland County Council contributes £8,240 to the costs of the LRSAB (of a total budget of £100,878 in 2018/19).

6.3 In addition Rutland County Council are providing the lead officer for one of the Business Plan Priorities of the Board.

#### **7 LEGAL AND GOVERNANCE CONSIDERATIONS**

7.1 The LRSAB is a statutory body. Local authorities have a duty to ensure that the Board is enabled to operate effectively.

- 7.2 It is a requirement of the Care Act 2014 to submit the Annual Reports to the Leader of the Council, and it has been deemed good practice to consult on the Business Plans since these form the core of the annual reporting process. In addition, the Cabinet has always been included in this reporting.

## **8 DATA PROTECTION IMPLICATIONS**

- 8.1 A Data Protection Impact Assessments (DPIA) has not been completed for the following reasons. The LSCB and SAB have Information Sharing Agreements and operate in line with the Data Protection Act 1998 and GDPR from 25th May 2018. All information is shared for safeguarding processes and appropriate controls are in place to ensure data security.

## **9 EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT**

- 9.1 The LRSAB seeks to ensure that a fair, effective and equitable service is discharged by the partnership to safeguard children and young people. At the heart of the Boards work is a focus on any individual or group that may be at greater risk of safeguarding vulnerability and the performance framework tests whether specific groups are at higher levels of risk. The Business Plan 2018/19 includes a priority on Engagement which will consider how the partnership will seek to engage with all parts of the community in the coming year.

## **10 COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS**

- 10.1 There is a connection between the work of the LRSAB and that of the Safer Rutland Partnership. The Boards work with community safety partnerships to scrutinise and challenge performance in community safety issues that affect the safeguarding and well-being of individuals and groups e.g. Domestic Abuse and Prevent. The work on the Prevention theme links directly with Joint Action Groups.
- 10.2 The LSCB and SAB also support the community safety partnership in carrying out Domestic Homicide Reviews and acting on their recommendations.

## **11 HEALTH AND WELLBEING IMPLICATIONS**

- 11.1 Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility. Health and care needs can be linked to safeguarding risk for adults and children and health and care practitioners can have opportunities to identify and respond to safeguarding risk not available to workers in other agencies.
- 11.2 The Boards priorities, particularly, but not exclusively Mental Capacity and Prevention have direct links with improving health and wellbeing.
- 11.3 The Boards Business Plan has been considered by the Rutland Health and Wellbeing Board.

## **12 CONCLUSION AND SUMMARY OF REASONS FOR THE RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 12.1 It is recommended that the Cabinet comments on the Business Plan 2018/19 for the LRSAB, particularly in relation to the business of the County Council in 2018/19.

- 12.2 This report enables the Cabinet to comment on the Business Plan priorities and to consider whether they identify matters that it wishes to address in relation to the effectiveness of safeguarding within the work of the Authority.

### **13 BACKGROUND PAPERS**

- 13.1 There are no additional background papers to the report.

### **14 APPENDICES**

- 14.1 Appendix A: LR Safeguarding Adults Board Business Development Plan 2018 – 2019.

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