

ADULTS AND HEALTH SCRUTINY PANEL

27 September 2018

LEICESTERSHIRE AND RUTLAND SAFEGUARDING ADULTS BOARD (LRSAB) ANNUAL REPORT 2017/18

Report of the INDEPENDENT CHAIR OF THE LRSAB

Strategic Aim:	This contributes to the corporate objective of 'Creating a brighter future for all'.	
Exempt Information	No	
Cabinet Member(s) Responsible:	Mr Alan Walters Portfolio Holder for Safeguarding – Adults, Public Health, Health Commissioning, Community Safety & Road Safety	
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Ward Councillors	All	

DECISION RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Panel:

1. Notes the draft Annual Report and makes any comments for amendment to be considered by the Independent Chair of the Safeguarding Adults Board.

1 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to seek the views of the Panel on the draft Annual Report 2017/18 for the Leicestershire and Rutland Safeguarding Adults Board (LRSAB). Any comments or proposed additions and amendments will be addressed in the final report before it is presented to the LRSAB at its meeting on 25 October 2018 and subsequently published.

2 BACKGROUND AND MAIN CONSIDERATIONS

- 2.1 The LRSAB is a statutory body established as a result of the Care Act 2014. The main purpose of the LRSAB is to ensure effective, co-ordinated multi-agency arrangements for the safeguarding of vulnerable adults. It is a requirement that the Board produce an Annual report regarding its work and report it to the Leader of the

Council together with the Chief Executive of the local authority, the Chairman of the Health and Wellbeing Board, and the Police and Crime Commissioner, the Chief Constable and Healthwatch.

- 2.2 The Annual Report provides a full assessment of performance on the local approach to safeguarding adults in line with the requirements of the legislation and statutory guidance.
- 2.3 The key purpose of the Annual Report is to assess the impact of the work undertaken in 2017/18 on service quality and on safeguarding outcomes for adults with care and support needs in Leicestershire and Rutland. Specifically it evaluates performance against the priorities that were set out in the LRSAB Business Plan for 2017/18.
- 2.4 The draft Annual Report can be found at Appendix A to this report, and includes:
- (i) A foreword from the Independent Chair;
 - (ii) A summary of the work and findings of the Board during the year;
 - (iii) An overview of the Board's governance and accountability arrangements and local context;
 - (iv) Two separate outlines of safeguarding performance, activity and outcomes for Leicestershire and Rutland;
 - (v) Analysis of performance against the key priorities in the 2017/18 Business Plan;
 - (vi) An overview of the Board's work on engagement, assurance, learning and development and training;
 - (vii) The challenges ahead including the Business Development Plan Priorities for 2018/19.
- 2.5 The key messages from the LRSAB regarding Rutland are:
- a) Workers and agencies work well together to safeguard adults in Rutland.
 - b) 'Making Safeguarding Personal' (MSP) is influencing practice across agencies and more people in Rutland have more say in the enquiries about their safeguarding.
 - c) Financial Abuse remains a prevalent area of abuse of adults in Rutland.
 - d) Good and consistent understanding of and responses to Mental Capacity is a development need across the workforce.
 - e) The Board will continue to challenge and drive improvement in safeguarding of adults, including developing its own approach to engagement and participation of adults with care and support needs.
- 2.6 The Annual Report is being presented to a range of forums including the Cabinets, Adults Scrutiny Panels or Committees and the Health and Well-Being Boards in both local authority areas.

3 ORGANISATIONAL IMPLICATIONS

- 3.1 There are no resource implications arising from this report, as this is a retrospective report. The LRSAB operates within a budget to which partner agencies contribute.
- 3.2 Rutland County Council contributes £8,240 to the costs of the LRSAB (of a total budget of £100,878 in 2018/19) and £52,250 to the costs of the LRLSCB (of a total

budget of £240,263 in 2018/19).

- 3.3 Following anticipated funding reductions and agreement with Board partners the Board budget for 2018/19 no longer includes funding for Safeguarding Adults Reviews (or Serious Case Reviews for the LSCB). These are to be funded through the reserves of the Safeguarding Boards. The reserves are sufficient to cover current reviews underway. The Board has agreed that any additional costs would be covered proportionally by safeguarding partners.
- 3.4 The budget requirement for future years will be considered in the work to agree new multi-agency arrangements for safeguarding children and parallel consideration of safeguarding adults board support arrangements.

4 CONCLUSION AND SUMMARY OF REASONS FOR THE RECOMMENDATIONS

- 4.1 The Annual Report of the Leicestershire & Rutland Safeguarding Adults Board for 2017/18 provides an assessment of the work of the partnership in improving safeguarding of adults with care and support needs in Leicestershire and Rutland. The report is presented so that the Panel may provide comment on the Annual report that will be considered and addressed prior to the final report being submitted to the LRSAB on 25 October, after which it will be published.

5 BACKGROUND PAPERS

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

6 APPENDICES

- 6.1 The draft Annual Report of the LRSAB for 2017/18 is appended. (Appendix A)

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