


<p style="text-align: center;">London Borough of Hammersmith & Fulham</p> <p style="text-align: center;">HEALTH AND WELLBEING BEING BOARD</p> <p style="text-align: center;">21 NOVEMBER 2017</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">SAFEGUARDING ADULTS EXECUTIVE BOARD ANNUAL REPORT 2016-17</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Report of the Director of Adult Social Care</p>	
<p>Open Report</p>	
<p>Classification - For Information</p>	
<p>Key Decision: No</p>	
<p>Wards Affected: ALL</p>	
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1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 1.1. This is the fourth Annual Report of the Safeguarding Adult Executive Board (SAEB). The multi-agency Board provides leadership of adult safeguarding across the London Borough of Hammersmith & Fulham; the Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea; and the City of Westminster. The purpose of the Board is to ensure that member agencies work together, and independently, to secure the safety of residents who are at most at risk of harm from others, or through self-neglect. The responsibilities of the SAEB are detailed in Schedule 2 of the Care Act 2014, and include the requirement to report on how members are progressing the SAEB's strategic priorities. These priorities are informed by the learning from Safeguarding Enquiries (Section 42), and Safeguarding Adults Reviews (Section 44) of deaths and serious harm.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1. It is recommended that the Board accept the 2016/17 Annual Report of the SAEB, and in particular notes and lends support to the emerging themes that are informing the work of the SAEB during 2017/18.

3. REASONS FOR DECISION

- 3.1. The learning from Safeguarding Adults Reviews and Safeguarding Enquiries this year has demonstrated how much can be achieved by working together to tackle issues that may make communities unhealthy or unsafe, and from learning lessons and making changes where these are indicated. The SAEB actively promotes a learning culture and members are transparent, engaged, and accountable to one another, leading to better outcomes for people in need of care and support.

4. INTRODUCTION

- 4.1. The Health and Wellbeing Board (HWB) is requested to consider the Annual Report 2016/17 of the Safeguarding Adults Executive Board (SAEB), with regard to the arrangements that have been put in place to meet the requirements of the Care Act 2014, from 1st April 2015.
- 4.2. The focus of the report is on how the emerging themes from Safeguarding Adults Reviews and Enquiries have informed the priorities of the Board during 2016/17, and how agencies represented on the SAEB are changing the way they do things, and staff practice in response to lessons learned.
- 4.3. The report seeks to show how the SAEB and member agencies have addressed these priorities during 2016/17. This work included: paying more attention to each resident or patient being at the centre of decision-making about their care, treatment, and safety; tackling financial abuse and fraud by helping people protect themselves and others against scams; reducing deaths from legal highs, most noticeably, the drug 'Spice'; and reducing the risk of unnecessary deaths from self-neglect and hoarding. Community Champions have been essential to helping the Board reach residents who may be wary of engaging with statutory services, and in turn, the Board is actively supporting the Champions in their work to create healthier and safer communities.
- 4.4. Work is on-going from the Safeguarding Adult Review held in September 2015 which raised the need for a wider variety of residential and nursing care provisions for people with dementia. The Board is hosting a learning event for senior officers in November 2017 to review progress and identify barriers and how they might be jointly addressed.

5. BACKGROUND

- 5.1. In January 2015, the Protocol to set out governance arrangements between the Health and Wellbeing Boards and the Safeguarding Adults Executive Board (SAEB) was agreed.
- 5.2. The anticipated benefits of this protocol were:
 - a) Ensuring safeguarding is "everyone's business" and is reflected in the adult social care, health and public health agenda;
 - b) Any safeguarding issues, or opportunities for the HWB to use its strategic influence over commissioning, are communicated to the HWB by the SAEB;

- c) Equally, if the HWB have concerns about safeguarding issues affecting health outcomes, these are effectively communicated back to the SAEB for consideration;
- d) Cross-Board partnership working embeds safeguarding across the health and wellbeing sector.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 2000
LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS USED IN PREPARING THIS REPORT

No.	Description of Background Papers	Name/Ext of holder of file/copy	Department/ Location
1.	Protocol to set out governance arrangements between the Health and Wellbeing Boards and the Safeguarding Adults Board 14th JANUARY 2015	Helen Banham	ASC