

# **Isle of Wight Safeguarding Adults Board**

## **Business Plan 2022-2024**

## Our purpose

The IWSAB is a statutory, multi-agency partnership committee, coordinated by the local authority, which gives strategic leadership for adult safeguarding across the Isle of Wight.

Section 44 of the Care Act 2014 sets out the statutory objectives of Local Safeguarding Adults Boards, which are:

- a) It must publish a strategic plan for each financial year setting out how it will meet its main objective and what the members will do to achieve this. The plan must be developed with local community involvement, and the SAB must consult the local Healthwatch organisation. The plan should be evidence based and make use of all available evidence and intelligence from partners to form and develop its plan.
- b) It must publish an annual report detailing what it has done during the year to achieve its main objective and implement its strategic plan, and what each member has done to implement the strategy as well as detailing the findings of any Safeguarding Adults Reviews and subsequent action taken.
- c) It must conduct any safeguarding adult review in accordance with Section 44 of the Act.

Everything we do is underpinned by the 6 safeguarding principles:

- **Empowerment** –Presumption of person led decisions and informed consent.
- **Prevention** – It is better to take action before harm occurs.
- **Proportionality** – Proportionate and least intrusive response appropriate to the risk presented.
- **Protection** - Support and representation for those in greatest need.
- **Partnership** – Local solutions through services working with their communities. Communities have a part to play in preventing, detecting and reporting neglect and abuse.
- **Accountability** – Accountability and transparency in delivering safeguarding

### Our strategic aims for the next 2 years.

- Prevent abuse
- Protect adults at risk
- Learn from experience
- Improve services

### Implementation and Monitoring

The areas of focus for 22-24 are:

- Preparation for Liberty Protection Safeguards (LPS)
- Service User Voice (building on Making Safeguarding Personal)
- Safeguarding in Transition
- Learning from Covid: Hidden Harm Report
- Safeguarding Concerns – complexity of referrals, abuse types, referral rates, identify underreporting, appropriate use of criteria
- Assurance re: Quality Framework
- Using the Homelessness, Mental Health, Substance Misuse and Suicide/Overdose Thematic Review to shape better multi-agency working and support people who are accessing multiple services. Consideration of SAR outcomes in the commissioning process.
- Manging the interface between SARs and Coronial Processes – National Workstream
- Alcohol Change UK – taking forward the learning
- MARM (Multi-agency Risk Management) and Safeguarding
- Impact of workforce capacity

The work will be taken forward by both the main Board and sub-groups, with the areas of focus allocated as listed on the following page. Progress against these priorities will be detailed within the IOWSAB Annual Report which is published every Autumn.

## **Safeguarding Adult Board – Main Board**

**Core Business:** to provide the IWSAB with appropriate information to be assured that all partners are consistently safeguarding adults across the Island and are working in accordance with the Care Act 2014, Statutory Guidance and the SHIP Multi Agency Safeguarding Procedures

### **Areas of Focus:**

- **Preparation for Liberty Protection Safeguards**
- **Service User Voice**
- **Safeguarding in transition**
- **Learning from Covid: Hidden Harm Report**
- **Using the Homelessness, Mental Health, Substance Misuse and Suicide/Overdose Thematic Review to shape better multi-agency working and support people who are accessing multiple services. Consideration of SAR outcomes in the commissioning process.**
- **Impact of workforce capacity**

## **Sub-Group: Quality Assurance and Performance**

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### **Areas of Focus:**

- **Service user voice**
- **Safeguarding Concerns – complexity of referrals, abuse types, referral rates, identify underreporting, appropriate use of criteria**
- **Assurance re: Quality Framework**
- **Alcohol Change UK**
- **MARM (Multi-agency Risk Management) and Safeguarding**

### **Workforce Development Sub-Group (Joint with the Safeguarding Children's Partnership)**

**Core Business:** ensuring that the training and development of the local workforce in relation to safeguarding adults meets high quality standards and reflects the issues and themes identified by the Board and required by statutory guidance.

#### **Areas of Focus:**

- Upskilling the workforce in key safeguarding topics
- Safeguarding in Transition
- Learning from Covid: Hidden Harm
- Alcohol Change UK
- MARM (Multi-agency Risk Management) and Safeguarding

### **Sub-Group: Safeguarding Adults Review (SAR)**

**Core Business:** supporting the IOW SAB Independent Chair in commissioning and overseeing Safeguarding Adult Reviews (SARs) and other reviews of practice and recommending ways in which the learning and improvement from such reviews can be embedded into practice.

- Monitoring of SAR/DHR action plans
- Responding to the National SAR analysis
- Incorporate and embed the National SAR Quality Markers
- Managing the interface between SARs and Coronial processes

### **IWSAB Business Unit**

#### **Core Business:**

- Ensure IWSAB meetings are convened, support agenda setting for board meetings and arrange accommodation.

- Arrange secretariat to the IWSAB and the circulation of appropriate papers.
- Advise and update IWSAB on the policy and practice implications of any new legislation, government policy or guidance.
- Attend all of the IWSAB subgroups, support the chairs in setting the agenda. To also maintain an overview of the work of all the subgroups and ensure respective work programmes and activities are co-ordinated and consistent with the IWSAB Safeguarding Strategy and Business Plan.
- Provide advice to the IWSAB and subgroups on professional issues.
- Co-ordinate the production of the Business Plan, undertaking reviews of progress and reporting to the IWSAB.
- Co-ordinate the production and publication of the Strategic Plan and Annual Report.
- Refine and maintain strategic links with agencies whose function supports adult safeguarding work and the protection of adults at risk but who do not sit on the Board.
- Act as the first point of contact to receive and triage for learning review referrals.
- Deliver multi-agency training on SAB policies and procedures.

#### **4LSAB Groups with Southampton, Hampshire, and Portsmouth (SHIP)**

To attend, support and contribute to the following 4LSAB Sub-groups:

- **Coordination and Liaison Working Group (CLWG)**
- **Systems Improvement Learning Framework (SILF)**
- **SAMA (Safeguarding Allegations Management Advisor) Network**
- **Policy Sub-group**
- **Fire Safety Development Group (FSDG)**
- **Housing Sub-group**
- **Health Sub-group**