

Annual report 2019/20 summary

Who are we?



Three statutory partners:

- Nottingham City Council Adult Social Care
- Nottinghamshire Police
- Nottingham and Nottinghamshire CCG

Twelve other partners:

- Nottingham City Council Community Protection
- Nottinghamshire Probation Service
- Derbyshire, Leicestershire, Nottinghamshire and Rutland Community Rehabilitation Company
- Nottinghamshire Fire and Rescue Service
- East Midlands Ambulance Service
- Nottinghamshire Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust
- Nottingham CityCare Partnership
- Nottingham University Hospitals NHS Trust
- Nottingham Community & Voluntary Service
- HMP Nottingham
- Healthwatch
- Nottingham City Strategic Housing Team

Independent Chair:

Joy Hollister

How we work

Alongside the Business Management Group, there are three subgroups undertaking the work of the board:

The Quality Assurance subgroup

responsible for evaluating the quality of safeguarding adult interventions and agency and staff performance

The Safeguarding Adults Review subgroup

responsible for commissioning SARs to ensure that agencies learn lessons and improve practice

The Training, Learning & Improvement subgroup

responsible for disseminating safeguarding messages, training opportunities and learning identified in SARs

What have we achieved?

2019/20

Prevention

- Promoted 'World Elder Abuse Day'; 'White Ribbon Awareness Day'; NFRS CHARLIE campaign and adult safeguarding e-learning and mobile phone apps
- Published 'self-neglect' guidance and 'seven-minute briefings' on modern day slavery and 'cuckooing'
- Created 'What is Adult Safeguarding?' slide deck

Assurance

- From Trading Standards; advocacy provision;
 Adult Social Care; Integrated Care Partnership and Integrated Care System; Housing Strategy Team
- From CCG about 'out of area' placements; LeDeR reviews and use of DNARs
- From all partners about Restraint Reduction Network protocols; Office of the Public Guardian safeguarding policy; statutory inspections and IICSA Review

Making Safeguarding Personal (MSP)

- Devised case audit tools
- Shared 'Real Safeguarding Stories' and 'good practice' examples of adult safeguarding at Board
- Asked partners to tell us how staff practice was MSP focussed

Board performance

- Devised 360° feedback tool to evaluate Independent Chair performance
- Improved Board governance arrangements with scrutiny from Council committees
- Introduced reporting of LA safeguarding performance data at Board



- Suicide prevention
- Female genital mutilation
- Prevent*
 - Domestic sexual violence and abuse

* s.26 of the Counter-Terrorism and Security Act 2015 places a duty on certain bodies in the exercise of their functions to have "due regard to the need to prevent people from being drawn into terrorism"



What Safeguarding Adults Reviews have been conducted?

Four SAR referrals were received, resulting in three requests for information. One case did not meet SAR criteria, although learning was disseminated. One case did meet criteria and an independent author was commissioned. A learning event preceded formulation of an action plan and report, with publication paused until criminal justice proceedings conclude. A final SAR was delayed due to the pandemic. SAR action plans from previous years were completed. Work is concluding on two 'complex case reviews' that were started last year.

What is our focus for 2020/21?

- To be assured that partners learn adult safeguarding lessons from the IICSA Review
- To audit practice in a range of areas, including fire safety, hoarding and self-neglect
- To improve the effectiveness of Board governance arrangements
- To strengthen ties with partner forums and improve our system-wide response to cross-cutting issues such as domestic abuse and exploitation
- To respond to the impact of coronavirus upon adult safeguarding arrangements

"Last year I highlighted the challenges in the City arising from austerity and funding reductions. This year was no different and as we came to the end of the reporting period we were also faced with the emerging pandemic and the challenges this brought. We have subsequently seen the distressing impact of COVID-19, particularly on our most vulnerable citizens.

"However, the year also demonstrated that the Board's priorities are the right ones: maintaining assurance on the quality and safety of the care market; ensuring safeguarding messages and support are in place to make safeguarding everybody's business; and continuing to place 'Making Safeguarding Personal' at the heart of all of our work. I have been truly impressed by partners' ongoing focus on safeguarding adults despite the many competing demands."

Joy Hollister, Independent Chair

Safeguarding stats for

2019/20

11th

Nottingham is the 11th most deprived district in the country



3,958

safeguarding adults referrals were received
746 more than in 2018/19

1,754

s.42 enquiries were undertaken **127 more than in 2018/19**

782 enquiries were

about neglect

487

were about financial abuse

312

were about physical abuse

280

were about psychological abuse

In 60% of cases, risk was reduced & in 15% the risk was removed