



## Statutory Officers Report for Health and Wellbeing Board

From Corporate Director for Children & Adults & Director for Adult Social Care

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### Independent Inquiry into Child Sexual Abuse (IICSA)

Previous updates have detailed the Independent Inquiry into Child Sexual Abuse (IICSA) and the Nottingham context. The Public Hearing for the 'Nottinghamshire Councils' investigation has been scheduled for 1<sup>st</sup> October 2018 and will last three weeks. We now know that the first week of the inquiry is going to be held at Trent Bridge Cricket Ground.

As part of our ongoing response to allegations of historical physical and sexual abuse in former children's homes, we have settled a number of civil claims for compensation. A number of other claims are ongoing. Compensation is paid from our insurance fund. We continue to take these matters seriously and help the police and the national independent inquiry with their investigations, as well as supporting survivors. The safety and quality of care for children has changed and improved beyond recognition in the intervening years both locally and nationally, meaning we have robust measures in place to protect children in our care today from harm.

For more information on IICSA please visit their website <https://www.iicsa.org.uk/>

### Ask LiON – the new Online Directory

Ask LiON [www.asklion.co.uk](http://www.asklion.co.uk) is the new Online Directory for information, advice and guidance for Adult and Children's Health and Social Care in Nottingham.

LiON has information about Schools, Children's Centres, Childcare, Play & Youth provision and the Local Offer for Children and Young People with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities.

Additionally LiON also has information about support services for children and families, including Education Support Services, Family Support including safeguarding children, Health, Social Care, Advice & Guidance and SEND services.

LiON can be used as a resource for professionals when supporting parents as well as for parents to use themselves.

All services included on LiON, have accounts to update and maintain information.

We strongly encourage you to use Ask LiON as a resource as well as encourage parents to use it as well.

If you would like a demonstration on how to use LiON, please contact the Families Information Service on 0800 458 4114 or email [FIS@nottinghamcity.gov.uk](mailto:FIS@nottinghamcity.gov.uk)

## **Update from Carers UK- Inclusion of Health Partners**

After some successful engagement amongst umbrella members, Employers for Carers (EfC) umbrella membership has been extended to health partners of all sizes within the locality. These can include NHS Trusts and hospitals, down to smaller GP practices. Engaging health partners is another effective way of reaching more working carers in the locality. It is hoped that this will increase the number of carers we support together, and the number of employers providing carer-friendly workplaces.

Umbrella membership is an extended EfC membership arrangement, which gives SMEs and local health partners the opportunity to engage with EfC through a coordinating body, such as a local authority. This then gives SMEs and health partners free access to EfC membership and resources.

This model therefore benefits both the 'umbrella' organisation and its local organisations who might not otherwise access EfC's support or resources. It is essentially a block membership arrangement, which enables SMEs and health partners to engage through the co-ordinating body, rather than by paying membership fees individually.

Resources include relevant legal information, practical case studies, template leaflets and workplace surveys, and a monthly newsletter. Membership gives opportunities to make connections with other employers and benefit from peer support.

Further information is available on the website: [www.employersforcarers.org](http://www.employersforcarers.org)

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