

# Cheshire East Council

## Health and Adult Social Care and Communities Overview and Scrutiny Committee

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**Date of Meeting:** 7<sup>th</sup> December 2017

**Report of:** Geoffrey Appleton -Independent Chair  
Local safeguarding Adults Board  
Linda Couchman - Strategic Director Adult Social Care

**Subject/Title:** Local Safeguarding Adults Board, Improvement Plan

**Portfolio Holder** Cllr. Janet Clowes

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### 1. Report Summary

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to introduce to the Cheshire East Council Adult and Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee the Improvement Plan for the Local Safeguarding Adults Board.
- 1.2 The attached report brings together the recommendations from the Adult Safeguarding Peer Challenge and actions agreed by the Local Safeguarding Adults Board (LSAB) at the Development Day.

### 2 Recommendation

2.1 It is recommended that:

- Overview and Scrutiny notes the key themes from the Adult Safeguarding Peer Review
- Overview and Scrutiny notes the key themes from the Adult Safeguarding Development Day
- Overview and Scrutiny agrees the Improvement plan
- Overview and Scrutiny and the Adult Safeguarding Board monitors the implementation of the Improvement Plan

### 3 Reasons for Recommendation

- 3.1 In August 2016, Cheshire East Council commissioned an Adult Safeguarding Peer Review, to be undertaken by Sefton Council. Feedback from the Peer Review Team together with the recommendations can be found within the attached Improvement Plan.

- 3.2 On 26 July 2017 the Cheshire East Local Safeguarding Adults Board held its annual Development Day. The purpose of the day being to review the strategic priorities of the Board and to set the priorities for the future.
- 3.3 The attached Improvement Plan sets out the requirements and Actions required for the Board.
- 3.4 Progress will be monitored via the Safeguarding Governance Meeting and the Adult Safeguarding Board.

#### **4 Other Options Considered**

- 4.1 N/A

#### **5 Background**

- 5.1 This report draws together the information, outcomes and recommendations of the Adult Safeguarding Peer Challenge and the Development Day for the Adult Safeguarding Board.
- 5.2 The Improvement Plan has been agreed by Directorate and Corporate Management Team, and agreed, monitoring of this plan will be via the Adult Safeguarding Board and Adult Safeguarding Governance Board.

#### **6 Wards Affected and Local Ward Members**

- 6.1 All Wards

#### **7 Implications of Recommendation**

- 7.1 Policy Implications
  - 7.1.1 Corporate Objective Outcome 5: People live well and for longer
- 7.2 Legal Implications
  - 7.2.1 The role of Cheshire East Safeguarding Adults Board is to provide strategic oversight of adult safeguarding arrangements across the geographical patch, and to ensure that adults at risk have the right to lead lives free from harm, exploitation and neglect. The work of the Safeguarding Board is founded on the principles of Making Safeguarding Personal, a “person centred, outcome focussed” approach to Safeguarding, This model of practice ensures that the views and desired outcomes of Service Users are captured at the beginning, middle and end of each Enquiry.

### 7.3 Financial Implications

- 7.3.1 There are no financial implications that will not be met by the existing budget.

### 7.4 Equality Implications

- 7.3.1. There are no specific implications.

### 7.5 Rural Community Implications

- 7.5.1 There are no specific implications

### 7.6 Human Resources Implications

- 7.6.1 The Council needs to be assured that their staff is adequately trained and equipped to undertake adult safeguarding duties
- 7.6.2 All Directorates need to ensure that Adult Safeguarding is Everyone's Business and their staff know how to recognise and report abuse.

### 7.7 Health and Wellbeing Implications

- 7.7.1 The Adult Safeguarding Board can commission Safeguarding Adults Reviews where there has been a serious incident and agencies may have failed to work effectively together. The purpose of such a review is to provide a safe environment where staff are able to share and learn, and actions are put in place to prevent incidents reoccurring in the future.

### 7.8 Implications for Children and Young People

- 7.8.1 There are links established between the LSAB (Adults) and LSCB (Children's) Boards.

### 7.9 Overview and Scrutiny Committee Implications

- 7.9.1 For information and discussion.

## 8.0 Contact Information

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