CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL

REPORT TO: Health & Wellbeing Board

	26 th November 2013
Date of Meeting:	
Report of:	Sean Reynolds, Independent Chair LSAB
Subject/Title:	The relationship of the Local Safeguarding Adults
-	Board (LSAB) with the Health and Wellbeing Board (HWBB).

1.0 Report Summary

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The LSAB has responsibility for Safeguarding and protecting vulnerable adults from abuse. It seeks to ensure that all its work is carried out in such a way that positively influences improved outcomes in all areas of the lives of vulnerable adults in Cheshire East. The main purpose of the board is to ensure that all organisations providing or commissioning services for vulnerable adults in Cheshire East work in a co-ordinated way that promotes health and well-being, safeguarding and the protection of vulnerable adults from abuse. Therefore, it is vital that effective partnership relationships are established between the Health and Wellbeing Board (HWBB) and Local Safeguarding Adults Board (LSAB).

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Analysis of the roles of the HWBB and LSAB reveals connectivity between their core business. Both Boards need to carefully consider the nature of the relationship, the governance arrangements that secure effective inter-action and the approaches that will enable robust, inter-active working between the two.

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It is proposed that the LSAB and HWBB work together to agree:

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 Interactions and distinctions between JSNA process and safeguarding specific analysis undertaken by LSAB

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•Agree an approach to understanding and evaluating the effectiveness of service outcomes –including capturing the service user's voice where services need to be improved, re-shaped or developed

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•Integrating work around the LSAB Business Plan and the Health and Well-Being Strategy –cross-Board communication and engagement in priority setting

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•Arrangements for cross-Board scrutiny and challenge

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•Co-ordinated approach to performance management and evaluation of success in securing outcomes

2.0 Decision Requested

- 2.1 That the Chair of the LSAB attends the HWBB on a 6 monthly basis to present the LSAB's Annual Report & Business Plan and a mid-year safeguarding update.
- 2.2 The HWBB will present the HWBB strategy at the LSAB.
- 2.3 The LSAB will also provide the HWBB with LSAB expertise to support the comprehensive analysis of safeguarding in the local area as a direct feed into the JSNA. The LSAB will also evaluate the impact of the Health and Well-Being Strategy on safeguarding and highlight any issues to be addressed in the subsequent Health and Well-Being strategy.
- 2.4 The HWBB and LSAB will collaborate in sharing information and communications together and promote the Service Users Voice
- 2.5 The HWBB will be committed to incorporating Safeguarding data in the JNSA and the sharing of the JNSA with the LSAB.

3.0 Reasons for Recommendations

3.1 The Health and Well-Being Board has a clear role in Adult Safeguarding. There is the need to formally recognise adult safeguarding and as a cross-cutting theme and ensuring safeguarding is included in:

- -Needs analysis
- -Health and Well-Being Strategy
- -Commissioning arrangements at both strategic and operational levels
- -Safeguarding in the Public Health agenda
- -Safeguarding embedded in integrated service arrangements

3.2 The HWBB also has a role in scrutinising and challenging the LSAB and in evaluating the performance of the LSAB in its contribution to the health and well-being agenda.

3.3 There is a need to:

•Clearly locate each Board in an overall governance structure and agree interrelationships

•Agree the basis of the relationship –mutual support, distinction of role, scrutiny and challenge

• Ensure the LSAB is not subordinate – It cannot compromise its separate identify and independent voice

•Identify the relationship with Healthwatch and Safeguarding

4.0 Additional Documents:

LSAB Annual Report and Business Plan



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