



# Doncaster Council

## Report

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Date: 31 January 2019

To the Chair and Members of the Health and Adult Social Care Overview and Scrutiny Panel

### DONCASTER SAFEGUARDING ADULTS ANNUAL REPORT 2017-18

Relevant Cabinet Member(s)	Wards Affected	Key Decision
Rachael Blake Lead Councillor for Safeguarding Adults	All	No

#### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1. The aim of the Doncaster Safeguarding Adults Board is to ensure that local safeguarding arrangements and partnerships act to support and protect adults at risk of experiencing abuse and / or neglect. It aims to achieve those objectives whilst empowering individuals to maintain control over their lives and to make informed choices without coercion or duress.
2. The Care Act 2014 requires the Board to publish an annual report detailing what the Safeguarding Adult Board has done during the year to achieve its main objective and implement its strategic plan and what each constituent has done to implement the strategy. The annual report will also set out the findings of any Safeguarding Adults Reviews completed during the year and the subsequent actions arising from the reviews.

#### EXEMPT REPORT

3. The report is not exempt.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

4. The Panel receives and notes the progress achieved by the DSAB in relation to the Safeguarding Adults agenda and notes the information contained within it.

#### WHAT DOES THIS MEAN FOR THE CITIZENS OF DONCASTER?

5. The Care Act 2014 puts Safeguarding Adult Boards on a statutory footing as from 1st April 2015 and brings with it significant change for safeguarding adults practice. The Board and its partners have been working hard in Doncaster,

alongside our regional partners to ensure systems, policies, procedures and assurance frameworks are aligned to the requirements of the Care Act so that adults at risk are safeguarded and receive the best service that is **personal for them**.

## BACKGROUND

6. The Board has continued to pursue its engagement agenda with great focus through a 'Keeping Safe Campaign' helping communities to identify and respond to abuse and neglect. It has worked with the Doncaster Keeping Safe Forum, a community based forum that has been supported by the Board to grow in capacity and membership with the primary aim of getting the message out in Doncaster that **abuse will not be tolerated**.
7. The Board have been working closely with the Doncaster Children's Safeguarding Board and Safer Stronger Doncaster Partnership to align our objectives, resources and systems. This has included aligning the Children's and Adults Boards agendas to embed a whole family approach within safeguarding. In addition we have commissioned joint training and awareness raising activities to address cross cutting agendas such as modern slavery and human trafficking.
8. The Board has continued to meet on a quarterly basis and has been well attended by a range of agencies with commitment to working in partnership to safeguard adults at risk.
9. The Board continues to pursue its strategic objectives through 2018-19 working closely with other Boards and the community of Doncaster to ensure that **safeguarding is everyone's business**.

## OPTIONS CONSIDERED

10. No options considered

## REASONS FOR RECOMMENDED OPTION

11. No options considered

## IMPACT ON THE COUNCIL'S KEY OUTCOMES

12.

	Outcomes	Implications
	<p><b>Doncaster Working:</b> Our vision is for more people to be able to pursue their ambitions through work that gives them and Doncaster a brighter and prosperous future:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Better access to good fulfilling work</li> <li>• Doncaster businesses are supported to flourish</li> <li>• Inward Investment</li> </ul>	
	<p><b>Doncaster Living:</b> Our vision is for Doncaster's people to live in a borough that is vibrant and full of</p>	

	<p>opportunity, where people enjoy spending time:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The town centres are the beating heart of Doncaster</li> <li>• More people can live in a good quality, affordable home</li> <li>• Healthy and Vibrant Communities through Physical Activity and Sport</li> <li>• Everyone takes responsibility for keeping Doncaster Clean</li> <li>• Building on our cultural, artistic and sporting heritage</li> </ul>	
	<p><b>Doncaster Learning:</b> Our vision is for learning that prepares all children, young people and adults for a life that is fulfilling:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Every child has life-changing learning experiences within and beyond school</li> <li>• Many more great teachers work in Doncaster Schools that are good or better</li> <li>• Learning in Doncaster prepares young people for the world of work</li> </ul>	
	<p><b>Doncaster Caring:</b> Our vision is for a borough that cares together for its most vulnerable residents:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Children have the best start in life</li> <li>• Vulnerable families and individuals have support from someone they trust</li> <li>• Older people can live well and independently in their own homes</li> </ul>	<p>Doncaster services safeguarding adults at risk to lead safe and independent lives through empowerment, protection and prevention of abuse or neglect.</p>
	<p><b>Connected Council:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A modern, efficient and flexible workforce</li> <li>• Modern, accessible customer interactions</li> <li>• Operating within our resources and delivering value for money</li> <li>• A co-ordinated, whole person, whole life focus on the needs and aspirations of residents</li> <li>• Building community resilience and self-reliance by connecting community assets and strengths</li> <li>• Working with our partners and residents to provide effective leadership and governance</li> </ul>	<p>Working in partnership across Doncaster ensuring robust governance processes are in place to deliver safe services.</p>

## **RISKS AND ASSUMPTIONS**

13. There are no specific risks or assumptions associated with this report

## **LEGAL IMPLICATIONS [Officer Initials MCC Date 07/12/18]**

14. Section 43 and Schedule 2 of the Care Act 2014 and statutory guidance place a duty on the Safeguarding Adult Board to publish an annual report detailing what it has done during the year to achieve its main objective, implement its strategic plan and set out what each member has done to implement the strategy. It should also give detail regarding the findings of any safeguarding adult reviews and any subsequent action taken.

## **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS [Officer Initials PW Date 14/12/18]**

15. This paper is intended to report on the progress and performance of the Safeguarding Board in 2017/18 and as such there are no financial implications. Details on the funding utilised in 2017/18 are provided in the Doncaster Safeguarding Adults Board Annual Report.

## **HUMAN RESOURCES IMPLICATIONS [Officer Initials KW Date 10/12/18]**

16. Staff will be required to attend the relevant training from the training programme of classroom and eLearning which is planned for 2018-19 and the programme planned for 2019-20. The workforce strategy incorporates core principles for safeguarding across Safeguarding Adults, Safeguarding Children and Domestic Abuse and was approved by the Board in 2018 and is currently being embedded across the partnership.

## **TECHNOLOGY IMPLICATIONS [Officer Initials PW Date 07/12/18]**

17. There are no technology implications in relation to this report.

## **HEALTH IMPLICATIONS [Officer Initials: VJ Date: 11/12/2018]**

18. Access to health and social care has the potential to impact on 20% of population health status. The work of Doncaster Safeguarding Adult Board, which encompasses supporting and protecting adults at risk of abuse or neglect, contributes to improving the health of Doncaster people, and reducing health inequalities as it addresses the needs of the most vulnerable in the society. The agreed actions and priorities identified in the Annual Report needs to be monitored for their health impacts and a system of continued learning and improvement needs to be adopted.

## **EQUALITY IMPLICATIONS [Officer Initials: AC Date: 10/12/18]**

19. The work of the Doncaster Safeguarding Adults Board needs to demonstrate due regard to all adults at risk across all groups in Doncaster through its Strategy.

## **CONSULTATION**

20. Doncaster Safeguarding Adults Board members.

## **BACKGROUND PAPERS**

21. None.

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