

Doncaster Safeguarding Children Board

Annual Report 2014-15 Business Plan Priorities 2015-16

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Overview

- Role of DSCB
- Board working arrangements
- Progress with DSCB Business Plan 2014-15
- Responding to key safeguarding risks
- Areas for improvement
- Implications for the Health and Well-Being Board



Annual Report Requirements

- rigorous and transparent assessment of the performance and effectiveness of local services
- identify areas of weakness, the causes of those weaknesses and the action being taken to address them
- include lessons from serious case reviews, child death reviews and other relevant reviews
- report on the outcome of assessments undertaken on the effectiveness of Board partners' responses to CSE
- include an analysis of how the LSCB partners have used their data to promote service improvement for vulnerable children and families
- include data on children missing from care, and how the LSCB is addressing the issue.
- list the contributions made to DSCB by partner agencies and details of what DSCB has spent



Progress with Business Plan 2014-15

Priority 1: Board Effectiveness

- Greater evidence of challenge – in the Board, with partners and system-wide

Priority 2: Effective Safeguarding Systems and Practice

- Greater use of audits to drive improvement
- Improved training offer, supported by multi-agency pool of trainers

Priority 3: Responding to Key Safeguarding Risks

- Good progress with CSE strategy
- Early help provision underdeveloped

Priority 4: Visible, influential Board

- More effective links with other partnerships in Doncaster
- Conferences and lunchtime seminars
- Faith and Culture Group
- Need for action to engage young people in influencing the Board's work

Key Areas for Improvement

- The implementation and embedding of the early help pathway and the thresholds
- Ensuring greater quality and consistency of practice in social care
- Ensuring that victims and those at risk of CSE are effectively supported
- Development of a clear communications strategy to ensure effective engagement with BME and faith communities
- Implementation of the action plan to ensure the voice of the child is heard
- Continue to develop the Performance Framework to ensure that the impact of the Board's activities is evidenced

Implications for Health and Well-Being Board

- Public Health messages from child death reviews
- Progress in implementing early help strategy
- Early help – evidencing impact
- Emotional health and well-being of children and young people
- Co-production with children, families and communities

