

Northamptonshire Safeguarding Adults Board – Summary Minutes

Thursday 5th October 2017

13.30 – 16.30

Goodwill Solutions

Chair – Tim Bishop

The Independent Chair welcomed all present. Introductions were made and apologies given.

The meeting commenced with the customer voice item. A young man with learning difficulties and his mother presented his story from a number of years ago, when he was living in privately rented accommodation, and the adverse impact a neighbour had on him. The presentation was completed by an update from the Police.

Members were reminded of the Register of Interest.

Unfortunately, an incorrect set of minutes from the April Board meeting had been distributed to members and the correct set of minutes were reviewed and agreed.

The action log was reviewed and updated by members accordingly.

The draft programme for the NSAB Annual Conference was discussed and agreed.

The Independent Chair provided an update on regional and national highlights including: People in Positions of Trust (PiPoT), the modern slavery experience in Lincolnshire, emerging threats matrix, the Royal College of GPs toolkit and aligning three safeguarding priorities across the East Midlands Region.

The Business Manager presented her regional report, having attended the East Midlands Safeguarding Adults Network (EMSAN). The need for a Complaints and Escalation Policy was discussed and also the available guidance for Safeguarding Adults Reviews (SAR).

Voiceability had been successful in their tender for statutory advocacy.

A draft Action Plan for the Business Plan and Strategic Plan was discussed.

A Care Quality Commission (CQC) report was noted in respect of St. Andrews Healthcare.

A presentation on the Learning Disability Mortality Review Programme (LeDeR) was provided. The programme has been established in response to recommendations from the study of premature deaths of people with learning disabilities.

Board members were advised that the Deprivation of Liberty Standards (DoLS) steering group met every month and an update was provided on the current status.

An update on Making Safeguarding Personal (MSP) was provided and confirmation that this topic will be highlighted as part of the Annual Conference.

Self-neglect was discussed and it was acknowledged that there is a need to increase awareness of the issue of hoarding. Partners discussed whether the risk management process was being over-used.

Board members agreed to add a market supplement to aid the recruitment of a Quality Assurance Officer.

Reports were received from five Sub Group Chairs, including: Safeguarding Adults Review, Expert Advisory, Communication & Engagement, Learning and Development and from the newly formed Children & Adults at Risk of Exploitation and Harm.