

## NSAB DEVELOPMENT DAY SUMMARY MINUTES THURSDAY 14th MARCH 2019

The Independent Chair welcomed all present and introductions were made. He confirmed the purpose of the day, which was to consider the requirements of the Strategic Plan 2019-2021, to consider the creation of a Business Plan, and to reflect on the outcomes for the period 2018-2020.

Members were reminded of the reason we meet as a Board, which is 'working together to help keep people safe', and a short video clip was shown depicting a young man with learning disabilities who was subject to coercion and control.

The first item for discussion was the draft National Audit of Safeguarding Adult Boards (SABs). The review identified a number of strengths and challenges for SABs; a number of which are similar to those experienced in Northamptonshire.

Members discussed the 2018-2020 Strategic Plan and reviewed the progress made. It was agreed that the Board needed to be clearer about the strategic objectives for 2019-21 as the outcomes for the previous year had proved difficult to measure. The following key challenges were identified from the previous plan:

- Service user engagement (*also experienced by a large number of SABs nationally*); and
- Engagement with carers.

Members agreed to adopt the following objectives for the 2019-2021 Strategic Plan:

### 1. Making Safeguarding Personal

- a. Work together as a Board to provide local leadership on safeguarding adults to ensure people are safe; particularly during the period of transition from the County Council to the new Unitary Authorities.
- b. Continuously learn and develop as the NSAB to ensure the Board's key priorities and objectives are delivered by the partnership.
- c. Ensure appropriate membership is at the right level for Board and Sub Groups and engagement is appropriate to drive business.
- d. Ensure people who use services and carers are supported in their role in keeping people safe, and they help to evaluate the effectiveness of safeguarding adults within Northamptonshire.

### 2. Prevention

- a. Enable and support local communities to play their role in keeping people safe by improving communication to raise awareness of key safeguarding messages.
- b. Ensure learning from national and local multi-agency reviews and reports are shared and implemented locally.
- c. Ensure learning and development opportunities are available to the voluntary sector.

### 3. Quality

- a. Ensure statutory responsibilities for a safe and legal transfer to the new Unitary Authorities is in place, and that customers are not adversely affected by the change.
- b. Mitigate risks flagged on the NSAB Risk Register.
- c. Ensure effective analysis and response to partnership data.
- d. Ensure Board have oversight of partners' use of resources to meet the demands to meet quality standards.
- e. Ensure NSAB multi-agency policies and procedures are reviewed in a timely manner.

The Strategic Action Plan will also consider the following issues and themes:

1. What is owned strategically by the Board and the Community Safety Partnerships (CSPs)?
2. Link objectives to the action plan and consider the outcome (i.e. what does good look like).
3. Include the dissolution of the Local Authority acting as host for NSAB.
4. Suicide (link with the Suicide Prevention Group).
5. Domestic Abuse (currently no countywide strategy – handed to Matt Hoy, Public Health).
6. Street Homelessness (link with Chief Housing Officers Group).
7. Serious Organised Crime.
8. Adults that don't meet the need for statutory services > Adult Risk Management process.

It was agreed that in order to achieve the objectives in the 2019-21 Delivery Plan, it was essential to have full engagement and resources from the partnership.

To support the activities of the Board, a Delivery Board will operate to drive the strategic direction of the Board Priorities. The draft Terms of Reference were agreed with minor changes.