

Safeguarding Adults at Risk in Swindon Annual Report and Local Safeguarding Children Board Annual Report

Health and Wellbeing Board

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Wards:	All
Locality Affected:	All
Parishes Affected:	All

1. Purpose and Reasons

- 1.1 To present the Annual Reports for the Safeguarding Adults at Risk in Swindon 2013/14 and the Local Safeguarding Children Board. The Annual Reports detail progress against the annual Business Plans for each Board.
- 1.2 The Safeguarding Adults at Risk in Swindon Annual Report 2013/14 is attached at Appendix 1. This is the Annual Report from the Swindon Local Safeguarding Adults Board.
- 1.3 The Local Safeguarding Children Annual Report 2013/14 is at Appendix 2 and can also be found at:
<http://www.swindonlscb.org.uk/about/Pages/AnnualReports.aspx>.

2. Recommendations

The Board is recommended to:

- 2.1 Note and comment on the Annual Reports for 2013/14 for Safeguarding Adults at Risk and the Swindon Local Safeguarding Children Board.

3. Detail

- 3.1 Appendix 1 is the Safeguarding Adults at Risk in Swindon Annual Report 2013/14. Safeguarding Adults continues to increase in its profile. More organisations are seeing the value of understanding their role in procedures and ensuring staff are made aware of their responsibilities.
- 3.2 The Care Act which is being finalised outlines major changes affecting the Swindon Local Safeguarding Adults Board (LSAB) and the work it is required to do. This is set out in detail in the Annual Report.
- 3.3 The LSAB continues to develop and consolidate its role to ensure there are processes in place to protect adults at risk (while empowering them to make their own decisions and being able to take informed risks), preventing abuse from taking place in the first place and responding in such a way that is proportionate to the individual circumstances of the alleged victim. The Board continues to develop partnerships with key agencies who can work together to improve

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outcomes for adults at risk and are accountable for their actions concerning safeguarding adults.

3.4 The Safeguarding Adults at Risk in Swindon Annual Report 2013/14 includes:

- Information on activity and data collected throughout the year about cases alerted and investigated under Safeguarding Adults at Risk procedures
- An outline of progress made in addressing the priorities from the Annual Report 2012/13
- Submissions from key partner agencies and members of the LSAB
- An overview of priorities for 2013/14 and news of other local, regional and national initiatives

3.5 Appendix 2 is the Swindon Local Safeguarding Children Board Annual Report 2013/14. The Annual Report reviews achievements against the LSCB Strategic Business Plan 2013/14.

3.6 The LSCB Strategic Business Plan 2013/14 sets four priority areas:

- Detailed strategies and comprehensive approaches to Child Sexual Exploitation (CSE) and Domestic Abuse that keep children safe and promote effective intervention with those who are at risk.
- The LSCB can demonstrate that children and young people in Swindon receive effective early intervention that meets a range of needs in different communities. This priority was delivered in close partnership with the Swindon Children's Trust Board.
- The LSCB and partner agencies communicate effectively with children and young people, their families, the community (including different sections of the community) and staff at all levels from partner agencies.
- The LSCB has a performance management framework which promotes different ways of knowing and learning about the effectiveness of early intervention for and safeguarding of children and young people in Swindon.

4. Alternative Options

4.1 There are no alternative options proposed. Local Authorities are required to produce an Annual Report for Safeguarding Adults at Risk and the LSCB is required to produce an Annual Report.

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5. Implications

Financial and Procurement Implications

- 5.1 There are no financial or procurement implications arising directly from this report.

Legal and Human Rights Implications

- 5.2 There are no direct legal or human rights implications arising from this report.

All other Implications

- 5.3 There are no other direct implications arising from this report.

6. Consultees

- 6.1 The Board Director – Finance, Revenues, Benefits and Property (Section 151 Officer) and the Director of Law and Democratic Services (Monitoring Officer) are consulted in respect of all reports.

7. Background Papers

- 7.1 None.

8. Appendices

- 8.1 Appendix 1 - Safeguarding Adults at Risk in Swindon Annual Report 2013/14
8.2 Appendix 2 - Local Safeguarding Children Board Annual Report 2013/14