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1. Executive Summary

1.1 The Safeguarding Adult Executive Board (SAEB) provides leadership of adult safeguarding across the Bi- Borough. The purpose of the Board is to ensure that member agencies work together, and independently, to secure the safety of residents who are at most at risk of harm from others, or through self-neglect. The responsibilities of the SAEB are detailed in Schedule 2 of the Care Act 2014¹, and include the requirement to report on how members are progressing the SAEB's strategic priorities. These priorities are informed by the learning from Safeguarding Enquiries (Section 42), and Safeguarding Adults Reviews (Section 44) of deaths and serious harm.

¹ <http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2014/23/schedule/2/enacted>

1.2 This Annual Report provides an overview of the work of the Board and its subgroups during 2020/2021 and forward planning for 2021-2022.

1.3 . The SAEB Partnership implemented our business plan using the three key areas based on our “house model”.

1. Making Safeguarding Personal
2. Creating a Safe and Healthy Community
3. Leading listening and Learning

1.4 Given the unprecedented impact of Covid 19 upon health and social care services we have included an extra section at the beginning of the report named Safeguarding insights on activity during Covid.

1.5 Highlights from each of the 4 key areas can be found in the report and include:

- A response to local challenges of the Covid 19 pandemic with highlight data reports on Kensington and Chelsea and Westminster.
- A focus on partnership response to provide assurance on Care Home and Home care resilience
- Greater focus on what the data is telling us and how we compare as a Bi- Borough Pan London
- Ethnicity Data analysis
- Placing continual focus on hearing the voice of the service user in the workings of the board
- Community protection partnership response in collaboration with the police on Hate Crime and Cuckooing
- Early intervention and prevention improvements to LFB in K&C and WCC
- Health Watch report on Service User experience of being safeguarded
- Update on Self Neglect and Hoarding Strategic Partnership Group
- Learning Disabilities and Annual Health Checks assurance response
- Safeguarding Adult Reviews and Learning outcomes

Key Matters for the Board

2.1 The Health and Wellbeing Board (HWB) is requested to consider the Annual Report 2020/21 of the Safeguarding Adults Executive Board (SAEB), with particular regard to the arrangements that have been put in place to meet the requirements of the Care Act 2014, from 1st April 2015

3. Background

3.1 In January 2015, the Protocol to set out governance arrangements between the Health and Wellbeing Boards and the Safeguarding Adults Executive Board (SAEB) was agreed.

3.2 The anticipated benefits of this protocol were:

- a) *Ensuring safeguarding is “everyone’s business” and is reflected in the adult social care, health and public health agenda;*
- b) *Any safeguarding issues, or opportunities for the HWB to use its strategic influence over commissioning, are communicated to the HWB by the SAEB;*
- c) *Equally, if the HWBB have concerns about safeguarding issues affecting health outcomes, these are effectively communicated back to the SAEB for consideration;*
- d) *Cross-Board partnership working embeds safeguarding across the health and wellbeing sector*

4. Need

- 4.1** The learning from Safeguarding Adults Reviews and Safeguarding Enquiries this year has demonstrated how much can be achieved by working together to tackle issues that may make communities unhealthy or unsafe, and from learning lessons and making changes where these are indicated. The SAEB actively promotes a learning culture and members are transparent, engaged, and accountable to one another, leading to better outcomes for people in need of care and support. The SAEB hosted webinars throughout 2020 following the national learning from Safeguarding Adult Reviews. These were delivered to over 100 multiagency partnership staff and were led by Social Work Academic, Professor Michael Preston-Shoot on “Learning from Human stories of adult safeguarding”

5. Recommendations

- 5.1** It is recommended that the Board accept the 2020/21 Annual Report of the SAEB, and in particular notes and lends support to the priorities that are informing the work of the SAEB during 2021/22. (See pages 60 - 61)

Bernie Flaherty
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Background papers: Protocol to set out governance arrangements between the Health and Wellbeing Boards and the Safeguarding Adults Board 14 January 2015

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