

Leicestershire and Rutland Local Safeguarding Children Board and Safeguarding Adults Board Joint Business Development Plan 2017-18

Priority: LSCBSAB1 The 'Trilogy of Risk'

Priority Statement: To be assured that in situations where domestic abuse, substance misuse and mental health difficulties are all present the impact is recognised and responded to using robust multi-agency risk assessment, information sharing and sign posting to resources.

Rationale for this Priority: The prevalence of the 'trilogy of risks' continues to be a key factor coming out of Serious Case Reviews, Safeguarding Adult Reviews, Domestic Homicide Reviews, Alternative Reviews and case audits.
The Boards have concluded that the presence of these three separate risk factors together presents significant safeguarding risk for children, and for adults in need of care and support.

What do we want to be different?: We seek more coherent and better co-ordinated multi-agency responses to cases that combine these three elements so that we are assured that safeguarding is effectively secured for the children, young people and adults concerned.

Partnership Lead: Police – Jonny Starbuck & LCC – Moira O'Hagan

Board Officer: Helen Pearson

Key delivery mechanism: DVDG?

Objective	What are we going to do?	When is it going to be done by?	Who is responsible?	How will we measure progress and impact?	Progress made	Impact / what difference did it make?
To develop a coherent, co-ordinated framework that delivers effective safeguarding responses where these three factors are present across families	Map the differential thresholds that determine access to domestic abuse, mental health and drug and substance misuse services	May 2017				
	Develop arrangements that more effectively interface these thresholds to create a framework that will secure better co-ordinated responses to cases	July 2017				
	Develop frontline practitioner practice guidance					
	Agree quality assurance and performance management framework to test impact					

Priority: LSCBSAB2 Participation and Engagement

Priority Statement: Children and Vulnerable Adults have effective, direct input and participation in the work of the Board

Rationale:

Engagement and Participation supports effective, person-centred working
Ofsted recommendation for LSCB

What do we want to be different?:

Children have a meaningful say in and contribute to the work of the Board
Vulnerable Adults have a meaningful say in and contribute to the work of the Board
The work of the Board is changed because of the input of Children and Vulnerable adults.

Partnership Lead: (Independent Chair)

Board Officer: Sanj Pattani

Key delivery mechanism: Links with existing forums and support

Objective	What are we going to do?	When is it going to be done by?	Who is responsible?	How will we measure progress and impact?	Progress made	Impact / what difference did it make?
Assess models of participation	Audit work undertaken in other Boards that have secured outstanding judgements in this area	July 2017	Participation & Engagement Group	Evidence of priorities identified by participation and engagement impacting on overall business planning and priority setting – and subsequent feedback from service users that improvements have been secured in areas they identified for improvement		
	Test other models that have been used to secure more meaningful engagement of service users	July 2017	Participation & Engagement Group			
Implement appropriate models of participation for LSCB and SAB	Ensure that both the Boards and mainstream services across the partnership embed more effective engagement and participation activities	September 2017 – March 2018	Participation & Engagement Group			
Children have had direct input into the work of the LSCB	Young People feed into Board Priorities for 2018/2019	November 2017	Participation & Engagement Group			
	Young people run a session at a Board meeting	March 2018				
Develop an effective model for engagement of Adults with care & support needs	Identify methodologies to achieve this	July 2017				

Priority: LSCBSAB3 Emotional Health and Wellbeing

Priority Statement: Board needs to be assured of the emotional health and well-being of adults and children

Rationale:

Need to ensure inter-agency working at frontline effectively safeguards individuals and approaches this from a ‘Think Family’ perspective. Significant changes to health provision for children and vulnerable adults that enable safeguarding risk to be reduced.

What do we want to be different?:

- Frontline staff are confident and competent in recognising and responding to safeguarding risks that are related to emotional health and well-being needs in both adults and children who are service users and associated adults or children who are in a ‘caring’ role
- In cases when an adult has a mental illness, the needs of any children in the family are being recognised and addressed
- In cases when a child has a mental illness, there is a recognition that children with mental health needs can present a risk to vulnerable adults or other children in some cases and appropriate mitigation is put in place
- In “business as usual”, agencies across LSCB and SAB partnership are sharing appropriate tools of information of risk to include a comprehensive appraisal of risks to mental health and wellbeing
- The Board is assured that development and review of health and well-being services improves safeguarding approaches including specific approaches to address risks to mental health and wellbeing (BCT & STP).

Partnership Lead: Dr Mike McHugh

Board Officer: Gary Watts

Key delivery mechanism:

Objective	What are we going to do?	When is it going to be done by?	Who is responsible?	How will we measure progress and impact?	Progress made	Impact / what difference did it make?
Assurance re: STP improve risk management of safeguarding, particularly where it relates to underlying mental health issues, domestic violence and/or substance misuse	Receive Safeguarding Risk Assessment of STP (Sustainability & Transformation plan) and review update during year	July 2017	STP Board and Safeguarding Boards	Recording of relevant referrals for support and help Uptake of specific training		
Develop common understanding of emotional health and safeguarding risk across all agencies	Produce practice guidance and implement appropriate training and development activities	December 2017	STP Board and Safeguarding Boards	Number of safeguarding referrals from partners Numbers of referrals for both young and		

				adult carer support Uptake of specific training		
Emotional health and safeguarding risk with regard to the broader family context is considered in safeguarding work with children and adults	Produce practice guidance and implement appropriate training and development activities Target approaches (including training and recording of referrals etc) to recognise and address the mental health and wellbeing safeguarding risks to children of parents with significant physical and mental health issues, including substance misuse and domestic violence	March 2018	STP Board and Safeguarding Boards	Practitioner led enquiry (forum / event) – capture in assurance report Capture referrals to agencies on behalf of vulnerable children in these circumstances		

Priority: LSCBSAB 4 Multi-Agency Risk Management / Supervision

Priority Statement: Strengthen Multi-agency risk management approaches

Rationale:

The need to strengthen multi-agency risk management approaches has been identified in SCRs, other reviews and a range of audits undertaken in the last year

What do we want to be different?:

Develop a structured multi-agency framework to enable a reflective supervision session to be used in cases where the issues are complex or entrenched.
E.g. Multi-Agency Supervision approach

Partnership Lead: LCC – Chris Nerini

Board Officer: Chris Tew

Key delivery mechanism:

Objective	What are we going to do?	When is it going to be done by?	Who is responsible?	How will we measure progress and impact?	Progress made	Impact / what difference did it make?
Develop a Multi-Agency Supervision approach	Research what models are already available locally or nationally	June 2017	Chris Nerini & Chris Tew	Research carried out and appropriate elements identified	Previous local work that has been completed on this issue is being considered along with national research and practice on multi-agency supervision	
	Examine existing local arrangements across Children and Adults services	July 2017		Outline of existing arrangements produced		
	Confer with stakeholders in partner agencies to identify the key drivers, any opportunities or potential barriers to the implementation of a multi-agency case supervision model	June/July 2017	Chris Nerini & Chris Tew	Feedback received from across agencies Feedback collated Solutions to barriers identified	A short online survey has been prepared for practitioners and first line supervisors in agencies to identify the drivers and	

					blockers in the current system and what they would like to see from a multi-agency supervision model	
	Develop processes to implement the agreed approach and outcomes (e.g. reduction in number of children on and plan for 2 years or more)	September / October 2017	Chris Nerini & Chris Tew	Draft process developed Appropriate outcomes identified		
	Form a Task and Finish Group to further develop processes across agencies	November 2017	Chris Nerini & Chris Tew	Task and Finish Group set up Process developed		
	Agree changes and update multi-agency and single agency procedures as necessary	January 2018	Chris Nerini, Chris Tew LSCB Procedures Subgroup	Procedures updated		
	Implement changes and communicate new processes across L&R agencies	March 2018	Task and Finish Group	Changes disseminated across agencies Processes being used		