

Westminster Health & Wellbeing Board

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Title: Safeguarding Adults Executive Board Annual Report

2015-16

Report of: Mike Howard, Independent Chair of the Safeguarding

Adults Executive Board

Wards Involved: All

Policy Context: From 1st April 2015, there is a statutory requirement

to publish an Annual Report (Schedule 2 of Care Act 2014) on the effectiveness of Safeguarding Adult Boards in preventing and abuse and neglect; and responding in a way that support's people's choices and promotes their well-being, when they have

experienced abuse or neglect.

The Board must send a copy of the report to the chair of the Health and Wellbeing Board, amongst others.

Financial Summary: No financial implications

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1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 1.1 This is the third Annual Report of the Safeguarding Adult Executive Board (SAEB). The multi-agency Board provides leadership of adult safeguarding across the London Borough of Hammersmith & Fulham; the Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea; and the City of Westminster.
- 1.2 It is the first year that the Board is operating under Schedule 2 of the Care Act 2014, and overseeing the statutory duties of conducting Safeguarding Adult Enquiries (Section 42) and Safeguarding Adults Reviews (Section 44). The Board is required to report on progress on its strategic priorities, and particularly, on the work it has carried out reviewing deaths and serious harm, of people with care and support needs, as a result abuse and neglect, and where agencies may have worked better together to prevent harm or death.
- 1.3 The published report, in the section: 'What are the numbers telling us?' show comparative data for the three boroughs served by the Board. The report provided for the Health and Well-being Board also includes a section on 'What are the numbers telling us?' in Westminster.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 The Health and Wellbeing Board is invited to consider the report and the arrangements that are in place to meet the requirements of the Care Act 2014, including discharging its S44 responsibility to review death and serious incidents.
- 2.2 The Health and Wellbeing Board is invited to reflect on the strategic direction adopted by the Board and its priorities for 2016-17.
- 2.3 The Health and Wellbeing Board is invited to suggest to the Board priority areas that it may wish the Board, or the member agencies of the Board, to consider for inclusion in its work plan.

4. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

This report is for information only. There are no legal implications.

5. FINANCIAL AND RESOURCES IMPLICATIONS

This report is for information only. There are no financial and resources implications.

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