

LINCOLNSHIRE HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD

Open Report on behalf of Elaine Baylis, QPM, Independent Chair for the Lincolnshire Safeguarding Adults Board

Report to	Lincolnshire Health and Wellbeing Board
Date:	9 December 2014
Subject:	Lincolnshire Safeguarding Adults Board Business Plan

Summary:

The Lincolnshire Safeguarding Adults Board (LSAB) was established in 2010 to provide a mechanism by which local partners could work effectively together to Safeguard Vulnerable Adults in the County. This has operated on a 'voluntary' basis as there was no legal requirement for a Local Safeguarding Adults Board. The Care Act 2014 now states that *"each local authority must establish a Safeguarding Adults Board"* and defines the specific requirements for the Board.

Although there has been no statutory requirement for LSAB to produce any form of an Action, Strategic or Business Plan, in 2013 the current LSAB Independent Chair in conjunction with the Board's multi-agency partners produced a Board Business Plan. The Board identified the risks and priorities for its partners and set out 3 key aims with 9 objectives which were utilised as the main foundations of the current business plan. At this time the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy for Lincolnshire had not been published and so alignment of aims was not possible.

The Care Act 2014, Schedule 2, states that a Safeguarding Adults Board **must** publish a Strategic Plan and an Annual report. With this in mind it is the intention of the LSAB to publish its first strategy by April 2015 ensuring, wherever possible, alignment with the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy for Lincolnshire.

The first Annual Report is expected to be published in the Summer of 2016 and this too will be shared with the Health and Wellbeing Board.

Actions Required:

1. That the Board be aware of the current LSAB Business Plan.

2. That the Board be aware that the LSAB 2015/16 Strategic Plan will be available to be presented to this Board after April 2015.
3. That the Board be aware that the LSAB 2015/16 Annual Report will be available to be presented to this Board in the summer of 2016.

1. Background

Schedule 2 of the Care Act 2014 which comes in to effect on 01 April 2015 defines the requirements of a Safeguarding Adults Board. It states that:-

Strategic plan.

- (1) An SAB must publish for each financial year a plan (its “strategic plan”) which sets out— .
 - (a) its strategy for achieving its objective (see section 43), and .
 - (b) what each member is to do to implement that strategy. .
- (2) In preparing its strategic plan, the SAB must— .
 - (a) consult the Local Healthwatch organisation for its area, and .
 - (b) involve the community in its area. .
- (3) In this paragraph and paragraph 4, “financial year”, in relation to an SAB, includes the period— .
 - (a) beginning with the day on which the SAB is established, and .
 - (b) ending with the following 31 March or, if the period ending with that date is 3 months or less, ending with the 31 March following that date. .

Annual report.

- (1) As soon as is feasible after the end of each financial year, an SAB must publish a report on— .
 - (a) what it has done during that year to achieve its objective, .
 - (b) what it has done during that year to implement its strategy, .
 - (c) what each member has done during that year to implement the strategy, .
 - (d) the findings of the reviews arranged by it under section 44 (safeguarding adults reviews) which have concluded in that year (whether or not they began in that year), .
 - (e) the reviews arranged by it under that section which are ongoing at the end of that year (whether or not they began in that year), .
 - (f) what it has done during that year to implement the findings of reviews arranged by it under that section, and .
 - (g) where it decides during that year not to implement a finding of a review arranged by it under that section, the reasons for its decision. .
- (2) The SAB must send a copy of the report to— .
 - (a) the chief executive and the leader of the local authority which established the SAB, .
 - (b) the local policing body the whole or part of whose area is in the local authority’s area, .
 - (c) the Local Healthwatch organisation for the local authority’s area, and .

(d) the chair of the Health and Wellbeing Board for that area. .

Both documents as defined by the Care Act 2014 are currently in the planning stage and will be made available for review by the HWB as set out in this briefs summary.

2. Conclusion

THE HWB can be assured that the LSAB will be producing the require documents as defined in the Care Act 2014.

3. Consultation

N/A

4. Appendices

These are listed below and attached at the back of the report	
Appendix A	LSAB Business Plan

5. Background Papers

No background papers within Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972 were used in the preparation of this report.

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