

**Lincolnshire Safeguarding Boards
Scrutiny Sub-Group**

**Thursday, 18 October 2012, Committee Room 3
County Offices, Newland, Lincoln**

PRESENT: COUNCILLOR S F WILLIAMS (CHAIRMAN)

Councillors W J Aron, Mrs C M H Farquharson, J D Hough and Mrs P A Mathers;

Added Members: Mr Fred Mann JP (Lincolnshire Police Authority)

In attendance: Councillor C R Oxby (Executive Support Councillor, Adult Social Care)

Officers in attendance: Chris Cook (Independent Chair, Lincolnshire Safeguarding Children Board), Mandy Cooke (Head of Safeguarding), Simon Evans (Scrutiny Officer), Dan Hawbrook (e-Safety Officer – Lincolnshire Safeguarding Children Board), Tracy Johnson (Scrutiny Officer), Paula Whitehead (Lincolnshire Safeguarding Children Board Business Manager) and Catherine Wilman (Democratic Services Officer)

11. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Councillor R A Shore, Councillor C Burke (District Councils Representative), Richard Childs (NHS Lincolnshire), Mrs E J Olivier-Townrow (Parent Governor Representative) and Steve Tyrrell (Foster Carer)

12. DECLARATION OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS

No interests were declared.

13. MINUTES OF THE LINCOLNSHIRE SAFEGUARDING BOARDS SCRUTINY SUB-GROUP HELD ON 4 JULY 2012

AGREED

That the Minutes of the meeting of the Lincolnshire Safeguarding Boards Scrutiny Sub-Group held on 4 July 2012 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

LINCOLNSHIRE SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN BOARD BUSINESS

14. IMPROVING E-SAFETY KNOWLEDGE

Dan Hawbrook, e-Safety Officer for the Lincolnshire Safeguarding Children Board made a presentation to the group on the work being undertaken by his team to increase e-safety knowledge amongst children and young people and their parents in Lincolnshire.

AGREED

That the presentation be noted.

15. MINUTES OF THE LINCOLNSHIRE SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN BOARD STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT GROUP HELD ON 5 JULY 2012

It had been confirmed that LPFT (Lincolnshire Partnership NHS Foundation Trust) would be the providers of a service aimed at reducing sexually harmful behaviours. Funding for the service was in place which would commence in January 2013.

AGREED

That the minutes be noted.

16. MINUTES OF THE LINCOLNSHIRE SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN BOARD: OPERATIONAL DELIVERY GROUP HELD ON 26 JULY 2012

AGREED

That the minutes be noted.

17. MINUTES OF THE LINCOLNSHIRE SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN BOARD OPERATIONAL DELIVERY GROUP HELD ON 13 SEPTEMBER 2012

In relation to Significant Incident Learning from Practice (SILP) action plan, Chris Cook reported that 80 GPs had received safeguarding training during the week commencing 15 October 2012. Feedback on the course from the GPs would be reported back to the Board.

AGREED

That the minutes be noted.

18. MUNRO ACTION PLAN

It was reported that the action plan had recently undergone a significant rewrite and was shorter and clearer with the completed actions removed. Lincolnshire was in a strong position with regard to its response to the Munro report.

AGREED

That the report be noted.

JOINT BUSINESS

19. UPDATE ON THE MERGER OF THE SAFEGUARDING ADULTS BOARD AND SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN'S BOARD SCRUTINY SUB GROUPS

There had been some concern in relation to the balance of business at meetings of the Sub Group. The discussion broadened into a discussion on the differences between children's safeguarding and adult safeguarding. It was explained that the legislative basis for adult safeguarding differed to that for children's safeguarding and this might impact on the level of business for the Sub Group. The Sub Group also reflected on the practical differences between adult safeguarding and children's safeguarding, with the former being more difficult to regulate, as the presumption was that adults were able to make informed decisions.

The Sub Group then reflected on changes to the local NHS and the Police Authority, which would impact on the Sub Group's membership. It was understood that NHS South West Lincolnshire Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) would be the lead CCG for safeguarding, and it was understood that a member of this CCG would become a member of the Sub Group, representing all CCGs in Lincolnshire.

With the abolition of the Lincolnshire Police Authority following the Police and Crime Commissioner elections, it was suggested that the Police and Crime Commissioner should be invited to consider mechanisms for participating in the Sub Group and that a letter be sent to this effect after the elections.

AGREED

That the Lincolnshire Safeguarding Boards Scrutiny Sub Group continue as the Sub Group with responsibility for scrutinising the Lincolnshire Safeguarding Children Board and the Safeguarding Adults and Dignity Board.

20. LINCOLNSHIRE SAFEGUARDING BOARDS SCRUTINY SUB GROUP WORK PROGRAMME 2012/13

The Group considered its work programme for the coming months and changes made therein were noted.

The following dates for future meetings were agreed:

Thursday, 10 January 2013 at 10.00 am

Thursday, 14 March 2013 at 10.00 am

AGREED

That the work programme be noted.

LINCOLNSHIRE STRATEGIC SAFEGUARDING ADULTS AND DIGNITY BOARD BUSINESS

21. MINUTES OF THE LINCOLNSHIRE STRATEGIC SAFEGUARDING ADULTS AND DIGNITY BOARD MEETING HELD ON 6 JUNE 2012

AGREED

That the minutes be noted.

22. MINUTES OF THE LINCOLNSHIRE STRATEGIC SAFEGUARDING ADULTS AND DIGNITY BOARD MEETING HELD ON 5 SEPTEMBER 2012

Mandy Cooke took the Group through the supporting information and the following points were noted:

Appendix B – Safeguarding Standards and Performance, April 2012

This document intended to demonstrate what ‘good’ safeguarding performance and practice would look like. A number of agencies were working together on the basis of this document to pool intelligence and create an action plan.

Appendix C – CCG proposed authorisation evidence

No comments

Appendix D – Adult Social Care National Data Collections

It was reported that alerts would no longer be used as they did not differentiate between abuse and situations where adults had made decisions.

It was felt this document dealt with referrals and dealing with abuse situations, rather than the prevention of them. It was felt prevention could be explored further at a future meeting.

Mandy Cooke reported that she would be presenting on Health and Social Care Act at a future meeting.

AGREED

That the minutes be noted.

The meeting closed at 12.10 pm.