



**LINCOLNSHIRE SAFEGUARDING  
BOARDS SCRUTINY SUB-GROUP  
16 APRIL 2018**

**PRESENT: COUNCILLOR S R DODDS (CHAIRMAN)**

**Lincolnshire County Council:** Councillor R Wootten

**Representative appointed by Police and Crime Commissioner:** Marc Jones

**Representative appointed by Local NHS organisation:** Andrew Burton

No Councillors attended the meeting as observers

Officers in attendance:-

Andrea Brown (Democratic Services Officer), Chris Cook OBE (Independent Chairman of the Lincolnshire Safeguarding Children Board), Barry Earnshaw (Independent Chairman, Lincolnshire Safeguarding Adults Board), Simon Evans (Health Scrutiny Officer), Dan Hawbrook (LSCB E-Safety Officer), Michelle Morris (LSAB Policy & Audit Officer) and Clare Rowley (Lincolnshire Safeguarding Children Board Business Manager)

20 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE/REPLACEMENT MEMBERS

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Mrs W Bowkett, R L Foulkes, Mrs C J Lawton and Mrs S Waring.

Apologies for absence were also received from Malcolm Burch who was replaced by Marc Jones (Police and Crime Commissioner).

21 DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS

There were no declarations of Councillors' interests.

22 MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE LINCOLNSHIRE SAFEGUARDING  
BOARDS SCRUTINY SUB-GROUP HELD ON 15 JANUARY 2018

It was noted that the attendance of B Earnshaw (Chairman of the Lincolnshire Safeguarding Adults Board) and C Cook OBE (Chairman of the Lincolnshire Safeguarding Children's Board) had been omitted from the minutes.

The Chairman advised that she also had some small amendments to make but did not have these to hand. It was agreed to provide these to the Democratic Services Officer after the meeting and to approve the minutes at the next meeting.

## RESOLVED

That the minutes of the meeting of the Lincolnshire Safeguarding Boards Scrutiny Sub-Group, with the amendments noted above, be deferred for agreement to the next meeting.

**23 KEY MESSAGES FROM THE LINCOLNSHIRE SAFEGUARDING ADULTS BOARD**

Consideration was given to a report which provided an update on the key issues from the Lincolnshire Safeguarding Adults Board (LSAB) held on 14 March 2018.

Barry Earnshaw (LSAB Chairman) introduced the report which included updates on the following areas:-

- LSAB Independent Chair Briefing;
- Safeguarding Lincolnshire Together (SLT) Programme; and
- Development of the LSAB Strategy 2018/19 – 2020/21.

It was explained that the LSAB had responsibility for working with partner agencies to ensure efficient and safe arrangements for those people with mental health issues. Work continued with Lincolnshire Partnership NHS Foundation Trust (LPFT) to ensure these arrangements were in place. The Care Quality Commission (CQC) had identified that LPFT had previously needed to improve and, following extensive work with the LSAB, LPFT had now been rated 'Good' following re-inspection.

It was confirmed that partnership working with Lincolnshire Police had always been exceptionally good, both strategically and operationally.

Having had a vacancy within the service for a County Safeguarding Manager for some time, the Chairman of the LSAB was pleased to report that the position had been filled and the successful candidate would take up post at the end of April 2018.

During discussion, the following points were noted:-

- Most of the work undertaken by the LSAB was using a multi-agency approach with all agencies invited to contribute both strategically and operationally. Safeguarding plans were being looked at to ensure that the overarching plan for the county supported individual agencies in the future;
- The Chairman suggested that it would be helpful to have a list of attendees at the LSAB Board meeting on 14 March 2018;
- Members were assured that the implementation of Mosaic had not had any impact on safeguarding and had, helpfully, provided wider scope to gather information;
- The safeguarding team had reported that they had total confidence in the data collection facility within Mosaic. An additional spreadsheet alongside Mosaic had previously been completed in the event of a system failure. Confidence in Mosaic was such that this additional data collection had now ceased;

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- Although Lincolnshire Police had a different system they did use a 'Stop Abuse' form to report safeguarding issues. Work was ongoing with the police currently as some cases referred were not safeguarding issues;
- LPFT were able to report directly into Mosaic and the system also had the capability to rollout portals to each agency to allow direct input also;
- Despite having a diversity strategy across all services within safeguarding, community cohesion was not directly covered. One member expressed concern that some nationalities isolated themselves which could result in safeguarding concerns. It was reported that the Board worked closely with the District safeguarding teams and indicated that they would be pleased to raise this concern with them directly. The concern could also be raised with Healthwatch colleagues as they also hold a network of meetings across the county with hard to reach groups;

**RESOLVED**

That the report and contents be noted.

**24     REPORT OF OBSERVATION OF LINCOLNSHIRE SAFEGUARDING ADULTS BOARD - 14 MARCH 2018**

Unfortunately, Councillor Mrs S Waring had submitted apologies for this meeting and was, therefore, unable to provide an update. It was agreed that this would be received at the next meeting.

The Chairman of the Lincolnshire Safeguarding Children Board, Chris Cook OBE, advised that he would be happy for any observers from the Sub-Group to participate in the meeting also should they wish to do so. This invitation was welcomed, however it was agreed that attending as an observer rather than a participant gave an overall view of the dynamics of the meeting.

**RESOLVED**

That the report of observation of Lincolnshire Safeguarding Adults Board held on 14 March 2018 be deferred to the next meeting.

**25     SAFEGUARDING ADULTS REVIEWS**

Consideration was given to a report which provided an update on the Safeguarding Adults Reviews (SARs) currently being undertaken.

David Culy (Lincolnshire Safeguarding Adults Board (LSAB) Business Manager) introduced the report and confirmed that the information supplied was limited due to ongoing police investigations and data protection issues.

During discussion, the following points were noted:-

- Although time would be taken by the independent authors of SARs in producing a thorough report and recommendations, members were reassured

that all agencies involved in SARs would not wait for the report before considering improvements and how issues could have been avoided;

- A 'lessons learnt' event had been arranged for 17 May 2018 which would focus on Modern Day Slavery. It was reported that key agencies would be involved and that this would be led by Lincolnshire Police. United Lincolnshire Hospitals NHS Trust and clinical commissioning groups would also be involved in the facilitation of this event;
- The Police and Crime Commissioner also advised that an event on Modern Day Slavery was to be held on 24 May 2018 aimed at Lincolnshire businesses and how to avoid modern day slavery within the supply chain. This was a free event and would be held at the New Life Centre in Sleaford;
- Although Operation Pottery was a successful operation and had raised the profile of modern day slavery across the country and, particularly in Lincolnshire, it was important to acknowledge that this issue had not stopped. Work was ongoing to find out how these situations could escalate to such severe level without detection;
- It was also stressed that modern day slavery could take a number of forms and was not necessarily related to migrant workers only; and
- The Chairman suggested that the Sub-Group hold a session in relation to modern day slavery in order to better understand the wider issues.

#### RESOLVED

1. That the report and contents be noted; and
2. That further consideration to holding a session in relation to Modern Day Slavery at a future meeting be given.

#### 26 UPDATE ON THE WORK OF THE LINCOLNSHIRE SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN BOARD AND ITS SUB-GROUPS

Consideration was given to a report which provided an update on the work currently being undertaken by the Lincolnshire Safeguarding Children Board (LSCB) and its sub-groups.

The LSCB had six sub-groups, all of which remained active and well-attended:-

- Child Death Overview Panel;
- Serious Incident Review Group;
- Policy, Procedure, Education and Training Sub-Group;
- Child Exploitation Sub-Group;
- Education Sub-Group; and
- Performance and Quality Assurance Tri-Board Sub-Group.

The new *Working Together* was expected to be published in May 2018 with implementation from September 2019, following the Wood Review, which would establish a Shadow Assurance Executive to sit above the Strategic Management Group. Members acknowledged that these were proposals for shadow arrangements until the statutory guidance came into force. The first meeting of the Shadow Executive was scheduled for 30 April 2018.

The new Business Plan included a vision for the partnership and principles for working. A small amount of work was required before a final agreement would be reached by the Strategic Management Group prior to ratification at the AGM on 24 May 2018.

Members were invited to ask questions, during which the following points were noted:-

- It was reported that Nottingham County and Nottingham City were to merge their Overview Panels and consideration was being given for Lincolnshire to also link with Nottingham to enable effective research;
- It was confirmed that training for taxi drivers was for both children and adults safeguarding; and
- The Police and Crime Commissioner advised that training by PCSOs, with a booklet entitled 'Junior Eyes' was delivered to over 100 schools in Lincolnshire. This initiative was run from premises in Colsterworth currently and work was ongoing to find out how this could link with other activities. Details of the scheme would be provided to the Lincolnshire Safeguarding Children Board Business Manager).

#### RESOLVED

That the report and contents be noted.

#### 27 REPORT OF OBSERVATION OF LINCOLNSHIRE SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN BOARD STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT GROUP - 8 MARCH 2018

Consideration was given to a report by the Vice-Chairman, Councillor R L Foulkes, which was circulated in his absence.

The report provided an overview of the Lincolnshire Safeguarding Children Board Strategic Management Group meeting held on 8 March 2018. The report followed the checklist agreed by the sub-group and covered the following areas:-

- Apologies and Substitutions;
- Agenda – logical and topical?
  - 18 agenda items;
  - Next meeting – Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> June 2018 at 9.30am;
  - Prevent presentation given which had been thorough and interesting;
  - County Lines presentation by Lincolnshire Police which explained the consequences of out-of-area gangs in conflict with the local underworld;
  - It was concluded that the agenda was both logical and topical but that the meeting was chaired in such a way that it helped the flow of the meeting and ensure that those present were attentive and able to contribute;
- Support and Challenge – evidence between agencies?
  - There was strong support and challenge between agencies;

- The Executive Director for Children's Services (LCC) had been particularly challenging in relation to the SCR update;
- A task group on neglect/domestic abuse would report to the AGM on 24 May 2018;
- The Performance Scorecard was challenged with a suggestion that an indicator may be missing and a proposal made to consider what indicators were required at the AGM;
- Wood Review – challenged that there might be a risk in the new structure and that lines of communication may be blurred. It was suggested that the sub-group review this regularly to ensure effective communications do take place;
- Level of meeting – strategic
  - The report relating to the S11 Update was complimented as a good piece of work by the LSCB Policy and Audit Officer;
  - The meeting did, at one point, move to a detailed discussions on a particular subject. The Chairman had been quick to remind members to keep a strategic focus and to discuss specific details after the meeting;
- Contributions – did everyone participate?
  - Overall, the impression was that all present were focussed on safeguarding children and the meeting was open to full and free discussions where all members were able to make a contribution;
  - It was reported that the meeting had a positive feel and the chairman had been a very good facilitator who maintained a good sense of rigour;
  - The LCSB Business Manager was thought to have good control of the Board's affairs and was reported to be a very good Business Manager.

During discussion, the following points were noted:-

- General attendance at the meetings was usually excellent and, despite the number of apologies, the room was full. It was confirmed that there were four substitutions and that one of the apologies given was not from a member of the Board;
- Despite the number of apologies, it was noted that no item of business had to be deferred due to non-attendance of relevant partners;
- In relation to the Performance Scorecard, it was explained that the indicators had been set some time ago and that the AGM would present an opportunity to refresh these to include outcome focussed indicators. A seating plan would also be developed to ensure a good mix of agency input; and
- The Board was not an operational delivery body and therefore the key agencies had a large performance framework to work to in their own areas. The Board would, however, provide the agencies with the six key indicators required to safeguard children.

RESOLVED

That the update be noted.

28 LINCOLNSHIRE SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN BOARD (LSCB) POLICY AND AUDIT UPDATE

Consideration was given to a report which provided an overview of the policy and audit development of the Lincolnshire Safeguarding Children Board.

The LSCB Business Manager introduced the report which focussed on the two statutory functions of the board under Regulation 5 of the LSCBs Regulations 2006 – developing policies and procedures for safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children in the area of the authority; and monitoring and evaluation the effectiveness of what is done by the authority and their Board partners individually and collectively.

Since the last meeting of the sub-group, the following policies had been developed or reviewed and uploaded to the policy manual:-

- LSCB Joint Protocol for Missing Children and Young People; and
- Pre-birth Protocol.

The following policies were under consideration, review or in development:-

- Harmful Sexual Behaviour;
- Sexual Harassment and Sexual Violence in Schools;
- Mobile families;
- Safeguarding Children who may have been Trafficked;
- Adolescent to Parent Violence and Abuse; and
- Child Sexual Abuse in the Family Environment.

The report also covered the following areas:-

- Joint Lincolnshire Protocol to Reduce Offending and the Criminalisation of Children in Care Launch;
- LSCB Audit Programme; and
- Section 11 Audit.

Members were advised that consideration was also being given to extending the work of the Joint Lincolnshire Protocol to Reduce Offending and the Criminalisation of Children in Care to include those who leave care at the age of 18.

During consideration of the report, the following points were noted:-

- It was confirmed that the Child Exploitation Sub-Group would also consider care leavers up to the age of 25. It was suggested that other areas may need to consider an extension of the age limit for their services;
- Clarification was given that the policies referred to were updated and not new;
- Although there was representation from Lincolnshire Police on the policy sub-group, it was agreed that a representative from the Police and Crime Commissioners Office would also be beneficial; and
- It was suggested that the Mobile Families policy be retitled to be clear about the policy content as the title currently implied this related to the Traveller community only.

## RESOLVED

That the report be noted.

29 E-SAFETY

The Sub-Group received a presentation from Dan Hawbrook (LSCB E-Safety Officer) which included the following information:-

- Previous Technology;
- What apps do you use?
- What have we offered? – multi agency days for secondary schools; Year 6 transition workshops; factsheets for parents and professionals; multi agency training session for professionals; Young Person led development days; Junit Online Safety Officers;
- Monthly Factsheets ([www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/lscb](http://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/lscb));
- Young Person Development Days; Student led activities – lesson plan and resources available at LSCB website;
- Junior Online Safety Officer (JOSO) – targets for year 5 students; being trialled with 14 schools at present and will be evaluated in the summers; students set challenges to deliver in their school after receiving two training sessions; work to be submitted and graded;
- MAD Days 2017/18 – every secondary school offered two full days; sessions target year 7/9 or year 9/10; 71% of Lincolnshire secondary schools booked; 3 special schools have or will receive a MAD Day;
- Year 7 and 8 lessons – focus on strangers and online grooming; 3101 students received an online safety session; 99.2% felt the information was helpful; 99.5% felt it was well delivered and explained; 98.4% felt it would change their future actions;
- Year 9 and 10 lessons – focus on sexting; 2580 students received an online safety session; 99.5% felt the information was helpful; 99.7% felt it was well delivered and explained; 99% felt it would change their future actions;
- Year 6 Transition Workshops – 100 schools booked since February 2017; designed to support students using social media to make the transition to secondary school – a need identified by professionals and in the media;
- Year 6 Transition Workshops – 66% prior knowledge of students; 95% post knowledge of students; 98.1% felt the information was helpful; 100% felt it was well delivered and explained; 100% felt it would change their future actions;
- *"Jess just came in and said someone she was talking to on Roblox last night started asking her name and 'stuff'. Because of your talk on Monday, she unfriended them and left the game. Thought you'd like to know";*
- Questions?

It was further noted that engagement with parents had been an issue for a number of years. A series of videos had been created specifically targeted at parents to highlight high risk issues faced by young people online. It was hoped these videos would be launched in the Summer 2018.

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Members were impressed by the presentation and the work already undertaken by the E-Safety Officer. During discussion, the following points were noted:-

- Schools acknowledged that E-safety was a serious issue and did, generally, try to address this with students although this had not always been documented and evidenced;
- Separate focus was needed on the secondary age group in order to address issues faced by older children;
- Until evaluated, it was difficult to report how the Junior Online Safety Officer scheme would be best rolled out;
- The secondment of the E-Safety Officer to the Stay Safe Partnership within secondary schools had been, previously, predominantly in primary schools. It was hoped that as this role was now part of a larger, developing team, that more areas could be given focus;
- It was agreed that there was a societal need for young people, and parents, to be aware of the law and consequences of online activity. The Police and Crime Commissioner indicated that he would like to attend one of the sessions;
- Members liked the fact that the sessions were child focussed but agreed that careful discussions about the consequences of mental health, as a result of photographs and self-image for example being deemed as bullying where they aren't 'liked' or commented on, should also be undertaken;
- Concern was raised that not all Year 7 students will have received one of the sessions. Unfortunately, the schools provided their availability therefore it was difficult to ensure that every child was reached. It was hoped that those who had the session would challenge those who had not, thereby making the message more powerful if given by a peer;
- It was agreed to write a letter to those schools who were less engaged, from the Chairman of the LSCB, Police and Crime Commissioner and Portfolio Holder for Adult Care, Health and Children's Services to promote the importance of this resource and to stress that it was free.

The Chairman thanked the E-Safety Officer for the presentation which had stimulated a good debate and issues for further consideration.

**RESOLVED**

1. That the presentation be noted; and
2. That the Sub-Group's suggestion for a joint letter to be sent to less engaged schools to promote E-Safety sessions be agreed.

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**WORK PROGRAMME**

The Sub-Group considered a report outlining its future work programme and the additions made during the meeting.

Members were advised that Councillor A P Maughan had resigned from the Sub-Group which had resulted in the requirement for an observer to attend the LSCB Strategic Management Group meeting on 14 June 2018. Councillor R Wootten

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indicated that he may be able to observe this meeting and would confirm with the Health Scrutiny Officer after the meeting.

The Chairman indicated that she would attend the LSCB Strategic Management Group Meeting scheduled for 13 September 2018.

**RESOLVED**

That the Work Programme of the Lincolnshire Safeguarding Boards Scrutiny Sub-Group be agreed.

The meeting closed at 12.34 pm.

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