

Strategic Plan 2022- 2025

Surrey Safeguarding Adults Board Strategic Plan 2022-2025

Our vision is to work together to enable people in Surrey to live a life free from fear, harm and abuse.





Surrey Safeguarding Adults Board –

Who we are

The Safeguarding Adults (SAB) is a multi-agency partnership which has statutory functions under the Care Act 2014. The main focus of the SAB is to ensure that in Surrey, safeguarding adults arrangements work effectively so that adults are able to live their lives free from abuse or neglect.

Safeguarding adults duties apply to an adult who has care and support needs, is experiencing or at risk of abuse and neglect, and is unable to protect themselves as a result of their care and support needs.

Our Strategic Statement –

What we plan to do

We will work together with partner organisations and people in our communities so that Adults can live the best lives they can with their wellbeing and rights supported, safe from abuse and neglect.

Our work will follow the six Safeguarding Principles which are: **Empowerment**; **Protection**; **Proportionality**; **Prevention**; **Partnership and Accountability**.



The Structure of the Safeguarding Adults Board –

How we will work

- Board with an independent Chair
- Chairs Subgroup
- Adult Safeguarding Executive Subgroup
- Policy and Training Subgroup
- Quality Assurance Subgroup
- Communications Subgroup

- Safeguarding Adult Review and Learning Subgroup
- District and Borough Forum
- Engagement Forum
- Health Forum
- Task and Finish Groups (working groups)

How are we going to do this?

We are going to work on the four areas of equal importance, which will be our priorities. We will continue to work with our partners to make sure that by 2025 these priorities are achieved.



We will measure our progress and achievements through our annual work plan which will be updated each quarter.



Key objectives

PRIORITY 1



Prevention and Awareness

Engagement

We will engage and learn from organisations, including the many voluntary sector agencies as well as the Adult and their families or carers

We will deliver a

preventative

approach and will

raise awareness

of safeguarding

adults across our

partners and

communities

in Surrey

Priority Aim What we will do

- 1.1 Improve community awareness including using available opportunities to increase public involvement, and to engage media interest
- 1.2 Ensure the role of carers and the challenges they face are recognized and action is taken to prevent carer breakdown and abuse/neglect
- 1.3 Support the use of best practice to reduce avoidable safeguarding incidents
- 1.4 Highlight neglect and acts of omission issues and develop stronger mechanisms to address these
- 2.1 Coordinate the development and delivery of an annual communication strategy that sets out what the SSAB will do. Focusing on key messages, target audiences, ensuring that the message has been delivered
- 2.2 Develop a model to gain the voice of adults with care and support needs and carers, and link with existing services and groups
- 2.3 Work closely with other Boards to ensure smarter working, eliminate duplication, and share Surrey wide comms benefits

How we will know that we have done it

How we will know we have made a difference and have improved the adult's life

The
Communication
and Policy &
Training subgroups
will lead the work
for Priority 1. The
ASE will check this
work is happening
as agreed in the
Annual Plan

Partners and communities will be able to recognise what abuse is and know how to respond appropriately

Adults will feel more confident by being better informed, engaged and supported to feel safe.

The
Communication
subgroup will lead
on Priority 2.
The ASE will check
this work is
happening as
agreed in the
Annual Plan

Partners and communities will be aware of the messages and initiatives that the SSAB is delivering.

The SSAB will reflect user feedback in it's communications and work



Key objectives

PRIORITY 3



Quality and Improvement

PRIORITY 4



Reflection and Learning

Priority Aim

We will seek

assurance from

agencies and

use that

information to

strengthen our

safeguarding

adults work

We will reflect

upon learning

from statutory

reviews and

good practice

using this to

inform new ways

of working

What we will do

- 3.1 Implement a multi-agency quality assurance process and schedule, and reporting system to the Board
- 3.2 Identify from audits and available data trends and research, adults in need of care and support who are or have been experiencing abuse or neglect (increase in neglect, and abuse in people's own homes) this will help drive our workplans and agenda
- 3.3 Develop an assurance process to capture service user experience, particularly in respect of making safeguarding personal, and using this to drive practice improvements

- 4.1 Link with regional and national forums for emerging issues & identify collective action
- 4.2 Disseminate learning from Safeguarding Adult Reviews and other statutory reviews to ensure that learning is embedded across the partnership
- 4.3 Share learnings, be they good practice or areas of development

How we will know that we have done it

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The Quality
Assurance
subgroup will lead
on the work of
Priority 3.
The ASE will check
this work is
happening as
agreed in the
Annual Plan

Agencies will evidence effective use of their safeguarding practice and highlight actions to improve working

Adults who have been abused or are at risk of abuse will be protected and we will reflect their feedback to improve our working and confirm that making safeguarding personal was key to working well

The SAR and
Learning subgroup
will lead the work
on Priority 4.
The ASE will
check this work is
happening as
agreed in the
Annual Plan

Agencies will be aware of the learning from review, embed it and alter practice as required