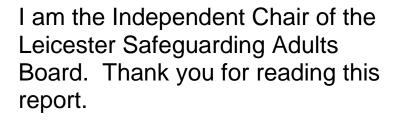


Easy Read Annual Report



1. Introduction







This report is about what the Leicester Safeguarding Adults Board has done over the last year to keep adults with care and support needs safe from abuse and neglect.



Abuse is when someone

- hurts other people
- treats people badly
- says things that makes them upset or frightened.



Neglect is when people who are there to help others do not look after them properly or they cannot look after themselves properly.



Making sure adults with care and support needs are not abused or neglected is called safeguarding.

What is the Leicester Safeguarding Adults Board?



The board is a group of agencies that work together to protect adults with care and support needs from abuse and neglect.



The board includes people from Leicester City Council, the police, health services, criminal justice services, Healthwatch, Care Quality Commission and care home association.



Every year the board must write a report to let people know how the board is working.

This report is a summary of what the board has done to make sure adults with care and support needs are protected from abuse and neglect.

2. What has the board done over the last year?



The board makes sure that all partners, like social care, police, ambulance service and hospitals are working together to protect adults from abuse and neglect.



During the year, 536 concerns were looked at because of the risk to the adult. These are called enquiries. We were able to make 9 out of 10 people safe where risks were known.



The board looked at lots of information from all our partners to make sure they are providing a good service that protects people from harm and abuse.



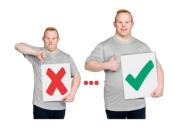
We worked with Leicestershire and Rutland Safeguarding Adults Board to make sure that policies and procedures were updated and easy to find for people who work with adults.



We finished one review looking into how adults are safeguarded. The reviews are called Safeguarding Adults Review (SAR). We have four more reviews to carry out. You can find out more information on the SAR and reviews we publish on our website www.leicester.gov.uk/lsab.



We worked with staff across the county to carry out safeguarding adults checks on financial abuse and Mental Capacity Act.



What we find out from the checks that are carried out helps to make changes to local policies and procedures and how people work with adults to keep them safe



The board promotes and works with partners to make available multi-agency training that is needed and useful to all partners.



Two conferences were organised with County and Rutland Safeguarding Boards for workers who work with adults to keep them safe.



Many workers came to the conferences to learn and develop a shared understanding on key topics, these included:-

- Liberty Protection Safeguards
- Modern Slavery
- Domestic abuse and older people
- Office of the Public Guardian
- Inherent Jurisdiction
- Exploitation
- Forced marriage
- Mental Capacity Act



The board had an expert to train them on cuckooing, this is where an adult's home is taken over by other adults for criminal activity linked to drugs.

Other regular training was provided on

- Fire safety in the homes of vulnerable adults
- Mental Capacity Act



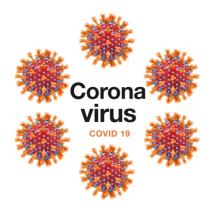
We made our website better for people to use, talked to local groups on what the board was going to focus on in the board's plan.



We told people about the resources available to local groups and organisations to help tell the people who use their services what safeguarding adults is. This is on our website

www.leicester.gov,uk/lsab

A report was written and shared with the Child Exploitation Operation Group. This report was about the journey of young adults who had experienced abuse from when they were children to when they became adults. This group will be taking this work forward.



During COVID -19 the board worked jointly with Leicestershire and Rutland to regularly review the work of the boards. The board made sure that essential and statutory work of the boards continued. The board built relationships with the Local Resilience Forum, who led on the response to the pandemic.



This year the board will publish a new plan that will be joint with Leicestershire and Rutland SAB and will cover the period 2020-2025. This will be available on our website with other reports and plans.

3. How to report concerns about an adult



If you are worried about an adult with care and support needs, talk to someone, report your concerns using the details below:



- Telephone Leicester City Council Adult Social Care on 0116 454 1004 (operational 24 hours a day, 7 days a week
- Or you can call Leicestershire Police on 101
- If it is an emergency phone 999



- If a crime has been committed, report via website www.leics.police.uk
- or go to Leicester City Council Customer Service Centre, 91 Granby Street, Leicester LE1 6FB

4. More information



If you would like more information or you would like to tell us your story, please contact Leicester Safeguarding Adults Board on:-



Tel: 0116 454 6270 (this number is not for making safeguarding alerts) or



email: LSAB@leicester.gov.uk