



Keeping Safe

Notes

7 September 2016

County Hall, Preston



Who was at the meeting

Debbie Anderson (SAIL & REACT)
Kellie-Anne Buczynski (Lancashire County Council)
Ellen Smith (Lancashire County Council)
Mike Holt (Disability Equality North West)
Lee Scott (SAIL & REACT)
Richard Woods (SAIL & REACT)

Apologies

Amanda Topps, Mavis Able, Stuart Rutledge, James Hughes

Safeguarding

Amanda has asked if a member of the Safeguarding Team can come to this meeting, so far without success. The team is very busy.

Action: Amanda to continue to try to get a member of the Safeguarding team to come to a future Keeping Safe meeting.

Business Intelligence (part of LCC) were asked to produce a report about the number of Safeguarding incidents recorded in Lancashire in the previous 2 years.

Ellen showed the subgroup a presentation with numbers and graphs, looking at:

- Number of alerts received
- Number of alerts leading to an investigation
- Outcome of alerts
- Referral source
- Type of alleged abuse
- Setting of alleged abuse

The subgroup had quite a few questions about the data:

- Are the number of alerts received only those which were classed as being a potential safeguarding? What about other queries/concerns that weren't classed as a safeguarding alert? The number of alerts seems low.
- What do the different outcomes mean, e.g. outcome unsubstantiated, outcome partially unsubstantiated, outcome inconclusive?
- For the referral source, what does 'other' mean? This is the second largest referral source.
- Why are some referral sources 'unrecorded'?
- Does 'Social Care Staff' mean both Social Workers and Care/Support Staff?
- For the setting of the alleged abuse, what does 'other' mean and why are some 'unknown'?

Action: Ellen and Amanda to ask Business Intelligence and the Safeguarding Team to answer the questions.

The Subgroup talked about planning a Safeguarding workshop; we felt that this was important, as Safeguarding is a difficult topic to understand, e.g. the language is difficult, 'Best Interest', 'Capacity' etc.

Afta Thought, a drama group, are putting on some MCA/DOLS workshops in February 2017. We would like them to include as part of the workshops training on how to recognise signs of abuse, and what constitutes a safeguarding incident. We would like to see separate workshops for self advocates and parents/carers.

Action: Amanda to continue to speak to Anita Lindon (LCC Mental Capacity Act and DOLS Lead) to plan the workshops.



Safety in Town

Mike and Lee gave an update on the Safety in Town. The scheme now has a presence in many Lancashire towns. The number of shops and premises in each town who have signed up to the scheme varies. In Leyland for example there are only a handful of shops involved, while in Colne over 30 shops have signed up.

We would like to get more supermarket chains to take part in Safety in Town. Staff at individual branches are often unable to give permission to join the scheme. Therefore we suggest writing to the offices of Asda, Tesco, etc.

Action: Ellen to ask Amanda if she could draft a letter to be sent to the leading supermarkets asking them to support Safety in Town.



Transforming Care

Ellen gave an update to the meeting on Transforming Care. We are at the stage that LCC are deciding which providers will be chosen to deliver services, based on information that providers have submitted during a procurement process.



Safer Lancashire Hate Crime Strategy

Lancashire Strategic Hate Crime and Cohesion Group are producing a Hate Crime Strategy which needs to be agreed by Cabinet.

Action: Get an update on the Hate Crime Strategy

Action: Ask Amanda if self-advocates can attend the group.

Other business

- Ellen to ask Amanda for an update on the Confirm and Challenge group.
- We will also ask Amanda about how to get hold of the Manga comic about hate crime that has been produced.
- Also ask Amanda for update about the Person Centred Travel Training Pack.
- At the moment there is no further information about the 2016 Self Assessment Framework (SAF).



The next meeting is at **County Hall, room A05, on Tuesday, October 25th, 1.30-4pm**