

Although a formal committee of the city council, the Health & Wellbeing Board has a remit which includes matters relating to the Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG), the Local Safeguarding Board for Children and Health Watch. Papers come from a variety of sources. The format for Health & Wellbeing Board papers is consequently different from papers submitted to the city council for exclusive city council business.

1. Formal details of the paper

- 1.1. Title of Paper Brighton & Hove Safeguarding Adults Board Annual Report 2013-14
- 1.2 Who can see this paper?

 This paper is to be made available to the general public.
- 1.3 Date of Health & Wellbeing Board 14th October 2014
- 1.4 Author of the paper and contact details
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2. Decisions, recommendations and any options

- 2.1 That the Health and Wellbeing Board notes the safeguarding work carried out in 2013-14, and the priorities for 2014-15.
- 2.2 The Health and Wellbeing Board agree the report for circulation.
- 2.3 The Health and Wellbeing Board approves the protocol between the Brighton & Hove Health & Wellbeing Board, the Brighton & Hove Safeguarding Children's Board and the Brighton & Hove Safeguarding Adults Board.

3. Relevant information

Brighton & Hove City Council Adult Social Care is the statutory lead for the co-ordination of work for safeguarding adults at risk from harm and abuse. If there is a concern or an allegation made that an adult at risk may be being harmed, the lead role for co-ordinating any enquiry into this rests with Adult Social Care.

The Brighton & Hove Safeguarding Adults Board is multi agency with representation from all statutory organisations, and representation from local groups and organisations who have an interest in safeguarding issues for adults at risk. The Board is coordinated by Adult Social Care, and the Board takes a strategic lead in planning work to ensure vulnerable citizens are safeguarded from harm, abuse or exploitation.

The Safeguarding Board Annual Report outlines work carried out across the City during the period of 2013-14, and notes the priorities for 2014-15.

The report is published on the Brighton & Hove City Council website, and circulated to all member organisations of the Safeguarding Adults Board.

A protocol to ensure clarity of work between the Health and Wellbeing Board and the Adult and Children's Safeguarding Boards has been included this year as an appendix.

4. Important considerations and implications

4.1 Legal

The requirement for producing the Annual Safeguarding Report is contained in the body of this report and the relevant legislative requirements including significant statutory change arising from the Care Act 2014 and application of the Mental Capacity Act 2005 (as amended) arising from Supreme Court case law are described in detail in the appended annual report.

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4.2 Finance

Safeguarding work is supported through and integrated within the budgets for adult social care and partner organisations. During 2014/15 there has been increasing activity on assessments under Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards which is putting a financial pressure on adult social care budgets and the expected activity levels will need to be reflected within the development of the 2015/16 budget.

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4.3 Equalities

There are no specific equalities implications for the HWB in relation to this report. An Equality Impact Assessment has been carried out for safeguarding work, including Safeguarding Procedures. Positive joint working in this area will ensure that the most vulnerable residents are supported to access the justice system, and to prevention of harm and abuse.

4.4 Sustainability

There are no sustainability issues for the HWB in relation to this report.

5 Supporting documents and information

Safeguarding Adults Board Annual Report 2013/14 Protocol between the Brighton & Hove Health & Wellbeing Board, Brighton & Hove Safeguarding Children's Board and the Brighton & Hove Safeguarding Adults Board

