



Meeting	Warwickshire Safeguarding Executive Board
Date	Friday 18 th December 2020
Present	<p>Elaine Coleridge-Smith (<i>Independent Chair, Warwickshire Safeguarding</i>) Jo Galloway (<i>Warwickshire Clinical Commissioning Groups</i>) Nigel Minns (<i>Warwickshire County Council</i>) Pete Hill (<i>Warwickshire Police</i>)</p> <p><u>In attendance:</u> Amrita Sharma (<i>Warwickshire Safeguarding</i>) Jackie Channell (<i>Warwickshire CCGs, Item 9 only</i>) Jo Ferguson (<i>Warwickshire Safeguarding</i>) Nigel Jones (<i>Warwickshire County Council, Item 8 only</i>) Sharon Shaw (<i>Warwickshire County Council, Item 7 only</i>)</p>
Apologies	None.

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1.	<p>Welcome, Introductions and Apologies</p> <p>The Independent Chair of Warwickshire Safeguarding welcomed members to the meeting, with no apologies to note.</p>		
2.	<p>Minutes and Matters Arising</p> <p>Minutes from the meeting held on 23 November 2020 were deemed as an accurate record with no amendments required.</p>		
3.	<p>COVID-19 Updates</p> <p>Each of the Executive Members provided an update on measures being put in place to manage the on-going COVID situation and preparing for winter pressures on services.</p> <p>Health Health Services are continuing to operate under pressures brought about by Covid-19 affecting staffing levels and capacity. A nursing role is to be appointed to deal with the number of unaccompanied asylum seekers. A complex safeguarding case within Coventry & Rugby CCG went to the Court of Protection recently. The CCGs are in the process of developing promotional information to send to GP practices, but are keen to promote this across the Warwickshire Safeguarding Partnership as well.</p>	<p>GP promotional material to be shared with the wider Partnership including the website.</p>	<p>JG & AS</p>



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	<p>Local Authority There is a significant increase in children and adults requiring social care services. The review of the joint working between MASH and the Police has concluded and has been quite informative and revealing. A finalised report should be available for the WSEB to review in January. Lateral flow testing has begun in Care Homes and seems to be going well so far. The programme of vaccinations within care homes has also commenced. There has been a notable increase in the number of Covid-19 cases across some parts of the county which is placing greater pressure on hospital acute wards.</p> <p>Police There have been numerous outbreaks of staff testing positive for COVID, which has put pressure on resources and capacity. More staff are having to now self-isolate and this is impacting on team operations.</p> <p>The Chair thanked the three members for their detailed reports and acknowledged the challenging conditions within which each of their areas were operating and expressed her thanks and gratitude to all their workforces.</p>	<p>MASH review report to be shared with WSEB for discussion once finalised.</p>	<p>NM</p>
<p>4.</p>	<p>WCC Internal Audit Report</p> <p>Members received the Internal Audit Report on the topic of 'Implementation of recommendations from Serious Case Reviews'. Members requested time to discuss the draft WCC Internal Audit Report with colleagues and agreed to send any comments to Amrita directly by 23rd December 2020.</p>	<p>Discuss report with colleagues and send any comments to Amrita by 23/12/20.</p>	<p>All</p>
<p>5.</p>	<p>National Analysis of SARs 2017-2019</p> <p>Amrita Sharma presented the Report to members and requested that this be put on the Safeguarding Review subgroup forward plan for further discussion and analysis. Members agreed and requested an update</p>	<p>Add Sir Preston-Shoot Analysis of SARs Report to Safeguarding Reviews forward plan.</p>	<p>JF</p>



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	on any discussions be shared at a future meeting of WSEB.		
6.	<p>WSEB Risk Register</p> <p>Amrita presented the updated WSEB Risk Register to members which had now been updated with the support of colleagues from Health, Police and the LA. Members agreed that the following amendments be made to the Risk Register by the below named individuals:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reword 01B (Jo Galloway) • Reword 01A (Nigel Minns) • Close 01C (Amrita Sharma) • Reword 02 (Amrita Sharma) • Reword 02IV (Jo Galloway) • Remove the word 'anticipated in 03 (Amrita Sharma) • Change to Public Health 04 (Amrita Sharma) 	Make amendments as discussed, share at next meeting.	AS/NM /JG
7.	<p>Private Fostering Annual Report</p> <p>Sharon Shaw, Service Manager within Children & Families, presented the Private Fostering Annual Report to WSEB members. She informed members that the report covered Private Fostering activity between the 1st April 2019- 31st March 2020 and is provided under the requirements laid down in the National Minimum Standards for Private Fostering, which requires an annual report to be provided for consideration by the Director of Children's Services including an evaluation of the outcome of its work in relation to privately fostered children within its area. She reported that the Private Fostering Team were included in the recent Ofsted visit last Spring, and were praised on their private fostering arrangements, feeling that they worked very well.</p> <p>Members were informed that there has been a significant decrease in private fostering arrangements; analysis is currently being undertaken to determine if this is due to people not making as many enquiries as before due to lack of awareness of private</p>		



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	fostering, or due to concerns around COVID. The team are in the process of ensuring the message of private fostering is reaching as many avenues as possible, including liaising with the Family Information Service and Schools across the County.		
8.	<p>Warwickshire Philomena Protocol</p> <p>Nigel Jones, Child Exploitation & Missing Children Coordinator for Warwickshire County Council, presented the Warwickshire Philomena Protocol to members. It was agreed that the draft Philomena Protocol was to be shared with the People Group Senior Leadership Team (SLT) to enable them to consider any capacity implications for social workers and commissioners as a consequence of what was being proposed within the protocol. It was acknowledged that this may impact on the proposed launch date of 1st February 2021, which may need to be reconsidered. WSEB asked to be updated on the outcome of its consideration at SLT. They also requested that the protocol needed to be badged as a Warwickshire Safeguarding resource and any press release should incorporate quotes from/on behalf of the Independent Chair, Nigel Minns and Pete Hill.</p>	Discuss the Philomena Protocol with WCC People Group SLT, once approved by them, bring back to WSEB at next meeting for final sign off.	NJ
9.	<p>Safeguarding Reviews Overview</p> <p>Jackie Channell, Chair of the Safeguarding Review Subgroup, joined the meeting at this point and updated Members on all safeguarding reviews involving children and adults.</p>	Write a Briefing to provide assurance to Practitioner's about the blameless culture of Safeguarding Reviews.	AS
10.	<p>Domestic Abuse Bill</p> <p>Amrita Sharma, Business Manager for Warwickshire Safeguarding, presented the Domestic Abuse Bill to members, who confirmed their approval of it.</p>	Confirm WSEB's approval of Domestic Abuse Bill.	AS
11.	<p>Draft Warwickshire Safeguarding News Bulletin</p> <p>Members were presented with the draft Warwickshire Safeguarding News Bulletin, which has been created by the Business</p>	Make plans to publish and promote first volume of WS News Bulletin	AS



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	<p>team to help keep Partners updated on all the latest safeguarding news across Warwickshire.</p> <p>Members approved the plan to go ahead and publish the News Bulletins on a quarterly basis.</p>		
12.	<p>Exploitation Subgroup Action Plan – Update</p> <p>Pete Hill provided a brief update to members regarding the Exploitation Subgroup’s Action Plan. Reminding members that the Exploitation Strategy document was published the previous week, after approval was given at the Partnership meeting. Since its publication, Pete has received feedback that ‘Missing’ is not featured sufficiently within the Strategy, so will be meeting with Nigel Jones to type up a section on the topic of ‘Missing’, and will bring back a further iteration of the published strategy to WSEB for sign off.</p> <p>Pete Hill also reported that he will be working with the Business Team to organise a Continuing Professional Development (CPD) virtual event on the topic of Exploitation. This is expected to take place in Spring 2021.</p>		
13.	<p>Children’s Safeguarding Quarterly Dataset (Q2)</p> <p>Members received the Q2 safeguarding children dataset for 2020-21. Members requested that an overarching summary analysis be provided alongside the datasets in future, to highlight any emerging trends, pressure points and any comparators with the regional and national datasets.</p>	Amrita to liaise with Business Intelligence Team to produce summary analysis requested by WSEB.	AS
14.	<p>Any Other Business</p> <p>Jo Galloway informed members that the Child Death Overview Panel (CDOP) report has been finalised and requested that it be added to WSEB’s forward plan for discussion.</p> <p>Jo Galloway also questioned whether Warwickshire had received a ‘Child in Need’</p>	Add the CDOP report to the forward plan.	JF JG



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	<p>audit request? She is aware of such a request being sent to Coventry. Members agreed for Jo to conduct further investigation into this, and report back at the next meeting.</p> <p>Pete Hill informed members that HMRC are due to conduct a Custody Inspection in Warwickshire in the New Year. He assured members he will keep the Board updated on the outcome of the inspection accordingly.</p>	<p>Investigate if Warwickshire have received a 'Child in Need Audit' Request and feedback to group.</p>	
Date of the next meeting: <i>Tuesday 26th January 2021 at 2:00pm</i>			