



Meeting	Warwickshire Safeguarding Executive Board
Date	Wednesday 28 th October 2020
Present	<p>Elaine Coleridge-Smith (<i>Independent Chair, Warwickshire Safeguarding</i>) Jo Galloway (<i>Warwickshire Clinical Commissioning Groups</i>) Pete Hill (<i>Warwickshire Safeguarding</i>) Nigel Minns (<i>Warwickshire County Council</i>)</p> <p><u>In attendance:</u> Amrita Sharma (<i>Business Manager, Warwickshire Safeguarding</i>) Jo Ferguson (<i>Minute Taker, Warwickshire Safeguarding</i>) Jackie Channell (<i>Item 12 only, Warwickshire Clinical Commissioning Groups</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</p> <p>Minutes from the meeting held in September were deemed as an accurate record with no amendments required.</p> <p>Matters Arising</p> <p>Elaine to circulate a Report from ADASS to members for their approval to include at the next Partnership Group meeting. The report was presented at a recent Regional meeting, regarding what is occurring Nationally for adult safeguarding during COVID, highlighting good practice.</p>	Share ADASS report with WSEB members for approval to include at next Partnership Group meeting.	ECS
3.	<p>Covid-19 Updates and Winter Planning</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. The Council's Winter Plan is due for submission by Friday 30th Oct, WCC have provided a single winter plan for the whole system, not just for adult social care. Nigel to share copy of finalised plan with Elaine.</p>	Share finalised Winter Plan with Elaine for information.	NM
4.	<p>WS Exploitation Strategy</p> <p>Pete Hill presented the new Warwickshire Safeguarding Exploitation Strategy</p>	Make recommended changes to the Strategy	PH



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	<p>developed by the Exploitation Subgroup for approval by WSEB.</p> <p>It was agreed that the Strategy be approved, and that relevant branding and logos be included within the print copy. Members also requested that the point of addressing the use of Victim Blaming language be added to the Exploitation Subgroup's Action Plan, this was learning point from the recent IICSA enquiry.</p>	document and authorise publication and promotion.	
5.	<p>WS Policy & Procedures Draft Annual Workplan 2020-21</p> <p>Amrita Sharma, Business Manager for Warwickshire Safeguarding, gave a brief update on the recent meeting of the newly formed Policy and Procedures Subgroup and presented for the WS Policy & Procedures Draft Annual Workplan for 2020-21 for WSEB's approval.</p> <p>Members agreed the annual workplan apart from the Thresholds Document being brought forward as a 'priority one' task. Nigel suggested Amrita speak with Marina Kitchen of WCC Early Help, who has recently undertaken a piece of work on this subject and may be of help.</p>	Make recommended amendment to the workplan and discuss Thresholds document with Marina Kitchen.	AS
6.	<p>Strategic Thematic Review Core Safeguarding – Partners, Commissioning and Churches</p> <p>Members considered draft self-evaluation tools to be used for the forthcoming Strategic Thematic Review on 'Core Safeguarding'.</p> <p>It was agreed that this Strategic Thematic Review be placed on hold in recognition of the resurgence of increasing COVID cases and the demands placed on front line services due to the pandemic conditions. The position would be reviewed in the Spring 2021. Members also discussed reframing the Partnership's workplan for the next six months to focus specifically on the levels of MASH referrals and subsequent management of these, Domestic Abuse caseloads, undertaking Safeguarding</p>	<p>Defer the Thematic Review until Spring 2021.</p> <p>Review the Partnership's workplan for the next 6 months, ensuring we have the capacity during COVID.</p> <p>Liaise with National contact to confirm what work other Safeguarding Partnerships are undertaking during the pandemic.</p>	<p>AS</p> <p>All</p> <p>PH</p>



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	Reviews and ensuring learning is cascaded; and Covid-19 assurance work.		
7.	<p>Modern Slavery Reception Centres – Role of WSEB</p> <p>It has been brought to the WSEB’s attention that since the divorce between Warwickshire and West Mercia Police, the County no longer have any Modern Slavery Reception Centres. There was an incident last month where 30-plus individuals had nowhere to go, having no pre-planned reception model in place.</p> <p>The question of whom does this responsibility fall under was put to the members of WSEB. To which Nigel Minns informed the group that there is currently a Task & Finish Group set up led by Rachel Jackson, which investigates Community Project funding. Therefore, it was agreed that Pete would update Dave Andrews of Warwickshire Police on today’s discussion, and put him in contact with Rachel Jackson, providing an update to the WSEB at the next meeting.</p>	Put Dave Andrews in contact with Rachel Jackson, feedback at the next meeting.	PH
8.	<p>WS Education Subgroup – Draft TORs</p> <p>Members were presented with the draft Terms of Reference for the WS Education Subgroup.</p> <p>It was agreed that these Terms of Reference be approved subject to the amendment of role titles. Members agreed that Ian Budd, Director Education be appointed as the Chair of this Subgroup and that he appoints a Vice-Chair from amongst one of the Educational setting leads.</p>	<p>Amend Titles.</p> <p>Confirm with Ian Budd on whom to appoint as Vice-Chair.</p>	<p>AS</p> <p>AS</p>
9.	<p>A&E attendances during COVID-19</p> <p>Jo Galloway presented the report on A&E attendances during COVID-19.</p> <p>Jo informed the group that Warwickshire were in-line with the National trend, which overall had visits fall by 29% in March and 57% in April (compared with the same time in 2019.) This is a significant contrast to the annual average increases of 2-5% per year experienced over the past two decades.</p>		



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	<p>In conclusion it was found that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Despite extensive searches there is limited accessible online information available for parents on the importance of attending ED if a child needs to be assessed. • Consideration needs to be given on whether the more extensive use of the NHS111 service has also contributed to the reduction of ED attendances. • Hospital web pages have some information however the recommendation would be that this needs to be easier to access and more visible than it is currently. • Further work does need to be initiated on both understanding the reasons for the decline in presentations and promoting the awareness of services. 		
10.	<p>LeDeR Annual Report – 2019-2020</p> <p>Jo Galloway presented the key highlights from the 2019-2020 LeDeR Annual Report. This is the second Coventry and Warwickshire LeDeR annual report, which presents information about the deaths of people with a learning disability aged 4 years and over notified to the programme from 1st April 2019 to 31st March 2020. This report includes those deaths reported to the LeDeR programme and may not be a direct comparison of all deaths of people with a learning disability within Coventry and Warwickshire.</p> <p>The issues and causes of death identified within the report reflect the many challenges that people with learning disabilities continue to face and give an indication of how we must do more to support them to live well within their local communities. The Health Inequalities Action Plan for People with Learning Disabilities has been updated and forms an appendix to the report.</p> <p>In conclusion there is growing recognition across the health and social care sector of the inequalities faced by people with a learning disability and their families. The</p>		



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	<p>LeDeR programme is opening conversations with a wide range of professionals who may have never previously considered the challenges faced by people with a learning disability and their families, either because they are perceived to be served mainly by specialist learning disability services or professionals did not have sufficient awareness of the need for reasonable adjustments.</p> <p>This growing recognition is, in part, attributable to the tireless campaigning of families whose loved ones have died a potentially premature death. The CCG's are committed to ensuring that, moving forward, LeDeR reviews are completed in a timely way and lead to tangible service improvements.</p>		
11.	<p>IICSA – update on hearing</p> <p>Nigel and Pete gave a brief update on the IICSA hearing in Warwickshire, explaining that they were asked to respond to a series of formal requests for information. It was an extensive and demanding process which required a significant commitment from the Police and WCC Children Services in particular. The inquiry involved the calling in of various policies, procedures, guidance and evidence of training; and drilling down into specific cases and cross checking of information each agency provided with the other participants involved.</p> <p>They provided a brief overview of some of the key learning points. Both the Police and Local Authority are in the process of preparing their closing statements which are due for submission by the end of the week. The formal report will be made available by IICSA soon. It was agreed this be considered at the next available WSEB meeting upon receipt.</p> <p>The Chair expressed her thanks and appreciation to Pete Hill and Nigel Minns for all their work on the enquiry process.</p>		
12.	<p>Safeguarding Reviews Overview</p>		PH



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	<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>	<p>Investigate and report back to Jackie an update on FD (child) & MS (child).</p>	
<p>13.</p>	<p>Presentation on Adult Safeguarding Data</p> <p>Ian Redfern from Adult Social Care at WCC gave a presentation to the WSEB members regarding the Adult Safeguarding Data. In brief he informed members of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • National Context: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Latest figures available are 2018-19 ○ 415,050 concerns of abuse were raised, an increase of 5.2% on the previous year (which had also been an increase) ○ The number of Section 42 enquiries commenced during the year increased by 8.7% to 143,390 and involved 116,230 individuals ○ There is huge variability in reporting across local authorities • Reasons for variability: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ There is discretion and flexibility if outcomes are achieved ○ Different pathways ○ Specialist or generic teams ○ Threshold guidance ○ Local Government Association and Association of Directors of Adult Social Services have investigated this but no definitive conclusions • Local Picture: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ In 2019/20 we recorded 3144 concerns (involving 2453 individuals) ○ This is 9.7% down on 2018/19 ○ But 12% higher than 2017/18 ○ 298 enquiries were undertaken which is 9.5% of concerns (up from 6% in 2018/19) ○ Warwickshire Police have recorded a 53% increase in adult protection investigations 		



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	<p>compared to last year. This is not reflected in social care data</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The adult protection classification is not clearly defined and can be added for various reasons as a crime is recorded ○ Analysis of cases discussed by the police in MASH illustrated that out of 1416 cases 589 (41.4%) required input from ASC and of those 113 (19%) were recorded as NEW adult safeguarding referrals <p>Members agreed that to help Warwickshire Police fall in line with the Adult Social Care figures that the Police staff would benefit from further advice and/or training on what really is a section 42 etc. Pete to request Tim Sharpe from his team to contact Ian Redfern directly to discuss this further.</p>	<p>Put Tim Sharpe in touch with Ian Redfern to further discuss the number of referrals from Police and come up with an action plan on how to rectify this.</p>	<p>PH</p>
<p>14.</p>	<p>Amnesty Report – Protecting Older People in Care Homes during Covid-19</p> <p>Due to time constraints, this item will be discussed at the next meeting in November.</p>	<p>Add to next month's agenda.</p>	<p>AS</p>
<p>15.</p>	<p>Any Other Business</p> <p>Members were informed that the most recent Preston Shoot report has been published and agreed that a brief analysis be presented for discussion at the next meeting.</p>	<p>Prepare a brief analysis on the Preston Shoot report and feedback to the WSEB at the next meeting.</p>	<p>AS</p>
<p>Date of next meeting: <i>Monday 23rd November 2020 at 2:00pm</i></p>			