

Name of Meeting: HEALTH AND ADULT SOCIAL CARE SCRUTINY PANEL

Date: 10<sup>th</sup> March 2022

Title of report:
ANNUAL REPORT

**KIRKLEES SAFEGUARDING ADULTS BOARD 2020/2021** 

**Purpose of Report:** To present the 2020/2021 Kirklees Safeguarding Adults Board

Annual Report.

| Key Decision - Is it likely to result in spending or a saving of £250k or more, or to have a significant effect on two or more electoral wards? | N/A   |
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| Is it in the Council's Forward Plan (Key Decisions and Private Reports)?  | N/A   |
| The Decision - Is it eligible for "call in" by <a href="Scrutiny">Scrutiny</a> ?  | N/A   |
| Date signed off by <u>Director</u> and name   | Richard Parry – 03.02.22                                    |
| Is it also signed off by the Assistant Director for Financial Management, IT, Risk and Performance?   | N/A   |
| Is it also signed off by the Assistant Director,<br>Legal, Governance and Monitoring  | N/A   |
| Cabinet member portfolio  | Cllr Musarrat Khan, Portfolio<br>Holder for Health and Care |

Electoral wards affected: All

**Ward councillors consulted:** Consultation with Ward Councillors is not applicable to

this report

Public or private: Public

#### 1. Summary

# 1.1 The Kirklees Safeguarding Adults Board

- 1.1.1 The Kirklees Safeguarding Adults Board (KSAB) is a statutory strategic partnership, which brings together the main organisations working with adults at risk of abuse or neglect. Hence, its membership includes: Kirklees Council, West Yorkshire Police, NHS organisations and West Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service. Its core purpose is to help and protect adults at risk in its area.
- 1.1.2 In 2015 the board appointed its first Independent Chair and, in accordance with Care Act guidance, the Independent Chair of the KSAB reports quarterly to the Council's Chief Executive on the work of the board. In January 2020 the Board undertook recruitment for a new chair which was unsuccessful. The post was subsequently readvertised in early 2021 and the Board was successful in this appointing a New Independent Chair in April 2021.
- 1.1.3 The Board continues with its lay membership, consisting of one lay member and Healthwatch Kirklees with the aim of strengthening public voice on the Board, as well as building on our priority around engagement and communication. Healthwatch Kirklees is the independent consumer champion for the public in Kirklees on matters relating to Health and Social Care. It has a seat on the Health and Wellbeing Board and provides feedback as part of commissioning and decision

making for local Health and Social Care Services.

We have continued to receive active involvement from Healthwatch, who regularly supports our Independent Chair and lay member at our annual Challenge Events, when partners are asked to account for the work they have undertaken. This ensures an additional level of transparency and scrutiny. Individual Board members take responsibility for reporting through their own organisations, including the submission of annual progress reports to their executive management body/board. This is to ensure that Adult Safeguarding requirements are integrated into their organisation's overall approach to service provision and service development.

- 1.1.4 Each organisation actively plans and monitors its work around safeguarding, which contributes to evidence for the Board's performance framework and the Board's annual challenge event. The Board calls partners to account for their approach to safeguarding adults through regular reporting and through the challenge event.
- 1.1.5 The principal purpose of the Board's annual report is to identify progress made over the past 12 months against the intentions laid out in the Board's Strategic Plan<sup>1</sup> which is a rolling 3-year plan updated annually alongside the Board's annual report which lays out the board's work programme for the next 12 months.

# 1.2 Why is the KSAB Annual Report being presented to the Health and Adult Social Care Scrutiny Panel?

- 1.2.1 Scrutiny Panel is made up of democratically elected members and members of the public who volunteer to sit with Councillors on the Panel. The Panel has the powers to:
  - Hold decision makers to account
  - Challenge and improve performance
  - Support improvement that achieves better outcomes and value for money
  - Influence decision makers with evidence based recommendations
  - Bring in the views and evidence of stakeholders, users and citizens
- 1.2.2 Panel members have a unique role to act across the whole health and social care economy. They are responsible for holding decision makers (ie the Health and Wellbeing Board, the Council, Clinical Commissioning Groups, NHS England and providers), to account.
- 1.2.3 In fulfilling part of their role the Panel receives the KSAB Annual Report and Strategic Plan.

#### 1.3 Health and Wellbeing Board

- 1.3.1 The KSAB Annual Report will also be submitted to the Health and Wellbeing Board (HWB) on Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022.
- 1.3.2 The HWB is the forum where key leaders from the health and social care system in Kirklees work together to improve the health and wellbeing of the people in their area, reduce health inequalities and promote the integration of services.
- 1.3.3 As part of this role the HWB receives the KSAB Annual Report which helps to further develop a shared understanding of the Board's responsibilities and priorities and

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/adult-social-care-providers/pdf/kirklees-safeguarding-adults-board-strategic-plan.pdf

promote a relationship where issues of common interest and concern are shared and challenged, in a constructive and mutually supportive way.

# 2. Information required to take a decision

The KSAB Annual Report is being presented for information.

# 3. Implications for the Council

## 3.1 Early Intervention and Prevention

Early Intervention and Prevention is a key aspect of the board's work.

#### 3.2 Economic Resilience

Not applicable.

# 3.3 Improving Outcomes for Children

Not applicable.

## 3.4 Reducing Demand for Services

Not applicable.

#### 3.5 Legal/Financial or Human Resources

Not applicable.

#### 4. Consultees and their opinions

The KSAB Annual Report was written in consultation with KSAB Board members.

# 5. Next steps

Not applicable.

## 6. Officer recommendations and reasons

That the 2020/2021 Kirklees Safeguarding Adults Board Annual Report be received.

### 7. Cabinet Portfolio holder recommendation

Councillor Musarrat Khan, Cabinet Member for Health and Social Care: The work of the Kirklees Safeguarding Adults Board is vital in making sure partner agencies across Kirklees have adequate processes in place to protect the most vulnerable residents in our communities. I support the work of the board that enables residents to remain safe and well and I endorse this annual report.

#### 8. Contact Officer

Robert McCulloch-Graham, Independent Chair, Kirklees Safeguarding Adults Board.

### 9. Background papers and history of decisions

Not applicable.

# 10. Service Director responsible

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