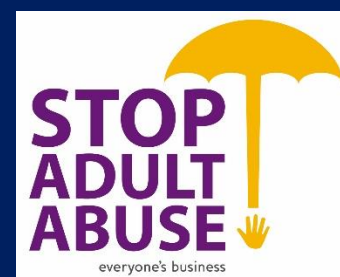


# Cheshire East SAB Newsletter



## Cheshire East Safeguarding Adults Board (CESAB) Update for Information

November 2021

Welcome to the Cheshire East Safeguarding Adults Board Newsletter. We hope that you find this newsletter a useful tool, and that it helps to keep you up to date with some of the local and national issues in relation to safeguarding adults at risk of abuse and neglect.

Please do not hesitate to contact CESAB with any queries or information you would like to submit to be used in future newsletters. Contact details at the bottom of this page.

### 1. National Adult Safeguarding Week 15 – 21 November



We are proud to be supporting National Safeguarding Adults Week supported by the [Ann Craft Trust](#). This year's theme centres around 'creating safer cultures', and we will be hosting a number of [free online lunch and learn events](#) during the week. There's still time to book on. For joining details, email [LSAB@cheshireeast.gov.uk](mailto:LSAB@cheshireeast.gov.uk)

### 2. Predatory Marriage

There has been an increase of reports in the media regarding predatory marriage. To find out more about what it is, and how to report concerns please see below links.

[Daphne Franks: the woman who lost her much-loved mother to a predatory marriage](#)

[Predatory Marriage – An Interview with Daphne Franks](#)

[Forced Marriage Convictions: A View from the Police](#)

[Justice For Joan](#) website

[My Marriage, My Choice Project Launches New Website - Ann Craft Trust](#)

### 3. Updates & Resources

Please find below a number of updates / reports and tools which you may find useful.

- Lambeth SAB have produced the short animation [Responding to self-neglect](#) for professionals.
- [White Ribbon Day](#) takes place on 25<sup>th</sup> November. To register for events follow this [link](#)
- Whole Housing Booklet – please see below pdf
- Cheshire East Age UK have produced a Scams Aftercare Brochure. - please see below pdf
- Hate Crime Safeguarding Briefing – A 7 minute briefing. Please see below pdf
- Information Sharing and Suicide Prevention

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[Coercive Control | from Research in Practice for Adults and Womens' Aid \(ripfa.org.uk\)](#)

[How to use legal powers to safeguard highly vulnerable dependent drinkers | Alcohol Change UK](#)

#### 4. Tricky Friends Animation – HOW TO PROMOTE GOOD FRIENDSHIPS.

Norfolk Safeguarding Adults Board have actively engaged with groups and organisations who support people with Learning Disabilities and Autism, about how to raise awareness of issues like **Exploitation, County lines, Cuckooing**.

It is important that people with learning disabilities and autism, those who have cognitive difficulties, and also children and young adults, have positive opportunities to make and maintain friendships. We want to help them to do this, to reduce the risk of harm and exploitation in groups who may be less able to recognise the intentions of others.

NSAB hope this animation is used as a way to help people to think about the issues, to start those conversations, and keep them safer while enjoying friendships. It is only 3 minutes long and can be used with or by anyone - carers, family, organisations, groups.

You can watch the animation here [Tricky Friends Animation](#)

#### 5. Working to support victims of HATE CRIME - Remedi UK

A new team has been set up in Cheshire which aims to support hate crime victims and educate perpetrators. [Remedi UK](#) has been promoting restorative justice since 1998. The hate crime project aims to support victims of hate crime within the area of Cheshire, the project is commissioned by the PCC- John Dwyer.

You can contact the service on 0800 640 6466 or email in referrals to [hatecrimevictimservice@remediuk.org](mailto:hatecrimevictimservice@remediuk.org)

#### 6. PREVENT Referrals

A reminder that if a Professional has a concern that an adult at risk could be radicalised and drawn into terrorism, the agreed process is to please complete the [online referral form](#). All agencies have a responsibility to follow the [Home Office Multi-Agency Channel Guidance](#) and are accountable for decision making. Information regarding the [referral process](#) can be found on our website.

It is also important to provide information to families, friends and communities about Spotting the Signs of Radicalisation. Please see the Act Early Website for excellent advice: [www.actearly.uk](http://www.actearly.uk)

#### 7. SAFEGUARDING ADULT REVIEWS (SARS)

The Care and Health Improvement Programme (CHIP) safeguarding workstream commissioned Suzy Braye, Michael Preston-Shoot and Research in Practice to undertake a review of Safeguarding Adult Reviews (SARs) published between 2017 and 2019 to inform future priorities for sector led improvement in safeguarding adults' practice. The purpose of the national analysis of Safeguarding Adult Reviews was to identify learning from SARs at a national level, as there is currently no regular reporting mechanism or up to date national repository.

The national analysis of SARs was formally launched in December 2020. The full report (available here: [Analysis of Safeguarding Adult Reviews: April 2017 - March 2019 | Local Government Association](#)) runs to over 200 pages. The length of the report reflects the significant work that has been undertaken, in addition to the depth of analysis. A series of six shorter briefings have been produced (available here: [Analysis of Safeguarding Adults Reviews targeted briefings | Local Government Association](#)), with the aim of making the conclusions from this research more accessible. These briefings extract findings from the full report which are most relevant to specific audiences, such as elected members, senior leaders, practitioners and members of safeguarding adults boards, and identify key messages for taking the learning and improvement work forward.

Findings relating to management of SAR processes were compared and contrasted with Safeguarding Adults Boards' powers and duties under Section 44, Care Act 2014, which are augmented in the Care and Support statutory guidance. Findings were also analysed against the standards outlined in quality markers. The outcome is a set of key questions to guide Safeguarding Adults Boards and SAR authors in their decision-making from referral through to commissioning, choice of methodology and approach to family involvement, to quality assurance, publication, action on recommendations and reporting. Themes include assuring the quality of SARs, service and agency cooperation, consideration of methods for information gathering and analysis and reasons for choosing particular methodologies when undertaking SARs.

The purpose of the briefings and research findings is to enable the learning and key messages from the analysis to be disseminated and have an impact across safeguarding practice and systems, supporting sector led improvement in adult safeguarding.

#### ADULT SOCIAL CARE CONFERENCE – OCTOBER 2021

Cheshire East Adult Social Care hosted its Annual Conference in October 2021. In order to help everyone to understand the purpose and process of facilitating Safeguarding Adult Reviews and Domestic Homicide Reviews, we were joined by keynote speakers Prof Preston-Shoot, John Doyle and Dez Holmes. Each gave an inspiring message to promote the importance of Reflective Practice and key messages about the use of Professional Curiosity, Multi Agency Meetings, shared decision making, and comprehensive mental capacity assessments. Whilst also recognising complexity and promoting individual's wellbeing.

### **8. Adult Social Care and Community Safety provides a natural partnership**

It is now 3 years since the decision to incorporate elements of Community Safety within the People Directorate and whilst perhaps it was inevitable that the Anti Social Behaviour Team and Enforcement Officers was not an ideal fit resulting in these teams moving back to the Place directorate in November 2020, the same cannot be said of the wider elements of Community Safety which has demonstrated strong working relationships to many areas of the Adult Social Care agenda.

Focus remains on protecting and supporting those most at risk children, adults and families within our communities, effective Partnership working has been a crucial element to ensure crucial communication links and enhanced close working relationships with the Police and other agencies.

Covid has inevitably had a huge impact on a change in circumstances for many residents across the borough, not least, those who are at risk of exploitation. Conditions have been perfect, especially during the lock down periods for those who are intent on taking advantage of the vulnerable, whether it be through Domestic Abuse, On-Line Scams or Home Invasion, to name a few.

In Cheshire East we are fortunate to have established a dedicated Police Exploitation Team that works closely with Partner Agencies to improve the After Care of Victims, provide links to the operational delivery within the CE Serious and Organised Crime Groups and have identified appropriate referrals to the newly established Complex Safeguarding Forum. Issues of Modern Day Slavery has also become a focus, especially following the stepping up of hotels in the borough to temporarily place asylum seekers, together with the opportunities of trafficking. Very recently, Cheshire East Council approved their Transparency Statement as part of its commitment to work collectively to prevent, identify, disrupt, stop and eradicate Modern Day Slavery in all its forms.

The Safer Cheshire East Partnership (Strategic Group for Community Safety) is responsible for facilitating Domestic Homicide Reviews - DHRs. In the last year, SCEP has commissioned 2 DHRs. The purpose of which is to reflect on practice and improve processes to prevent further deaths. Recommendations and actions from the first DHR will provide opportunities to improve pathways and systems within both Adult Social Care, Police and Health Services in management of Domestic Abuse cases. Sadly, a second DHR is due to commence which will again rely on partners to work collaboratively to learn lessons from the circumstances of the case. Similarly, recommendations of reviews offer natural links to the work of the strategic partnerships to

share the learning, as was demonstrated in the findings of a Thematic Fire Review following the deaths of 6 people involved in accidental house fires.

Other areas of Community Safety have taken on a new direction under the management within Adult Social Care, especially for those minority groups requiring access to services. Initially, Gypsy and Travellers came to the notice of the local authority for eviction from unauthorised encampments. However, the development of a multi-agency Gypsy and Traveller group has placed a more important focus on improving access to services for these ethnic minority groups and improve knowledge about the culture of such communities. the conditions for this group in developing a range of measure to meet their concerns.

Radicalisation is now a very real concern and following the awful murder of David Amess MP the threat alert remains high across the UK. Very much embedded in the work of Adult Social Care is the management of Channel Panel which provides a multi-agency forum to reduce the risks of those individuals identified as demonstrating extremist ideology. Despite seeing an increase in referrals this year, the work of the group has produced very positive outcomes for a number of individuals having been supported through the process.

Community Safety often finds itself responding to incidents and events. The murder of Sarah Everard earlier this year has rightly required a response by local authorities to support the response of intimidation and abuse of women and girls. This work has required the support of a host of partners to plan a range of protective measures soon to be implemented across the borough to ensure Cheshire East remains a safe place to live and work.

Safeguarding Training continues to be delivered through Paul Broadhurst, and using his experience as a former police officer, his presentations have now been adapted to include Community Safety messages to raise the awareness of issues including basic fire safety, on-line scams and doorstep crime, modern day slavery. Paul is also planning to deliver safeguarding training to all taxi drivers registered with Cheshire East which will include reporting processes for incidents of Domestic Abuse.

I suspect many will view 3 years being a relatively short marriage but having considered the evidence, would suggest this is a very meaningful and productive relationship.

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