

# HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD

28 OCTOBER 2014

<b>Title: Protocol outlining Barking and Dagenham's safeguarding partnership arrangements</b>	
<b>Report of the Corporate Director of Adult and Community Services and Children's Services</b>	
<b>Open Report</b>	<b>For Decision</b>
<b>Wards Affected: None</b>	<b>Key Decision: No</b>
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<b>Sponsor:</b> Anne Bristow, Corporate Director of Adult and Community Services Helen Jenner, Corporate Director of Children's Services	
<b>Summary:</b> <p>As discussed at previous Board meetings, the Safeguarding Adults Board (SAB) will become a statutory partnership under the Care Act 2014, giving the SAB a clear basis in the law for the first time. Sarah Baker has been appointed the Independent Chair of the SAB, meaning that she will be the Independent Chair of both the SAB and the Local Safeguarding Children's Board (LSCB).</p> <p>Following the changes in the statutory footing of the SAB and the outcome of the Ofsted inspection in which it was stated that an area of improvement was to 'Ensure the LSCB Chair strengthens the coordination, focus and impact of the boards work in the Health and Wellbeing Board', it was agreed that a protocol was required to outline the safeguarding partnership arrangements and coordination between the Boards.</p> <p>Discussions have taken place between the Chair of the Health and Wellbeing Board and the Chair of the LSCB and the SAB, and as a result, the protocol at Appendix 1 has been drafted. This protocol outlines how the safeguarding boards will work together with the Health and Wellbeing Board and how appropriate items will be reported and raised at the Health and Wellbeing Board.</p> <p>The Board are asked to note and discuss the protocol at Appendix 1.</p>	
<b>Recommendation(s)</b> The Health and Wellbeing Board is recommended to: (i) Note and discuss the attached protocol (Appendix 1) outlining Barking and Dagenham's safeguarding partnership arrangements, particularly paragraph 6.1 which clarifies arrangements to secure co-ordination between the Boards.	

## **1 Mandatory Implications**

### **1.1 Joint Strategic Needs Assessment**

The JSNA has a section dedicated to the analysis of safeguarding needs. This section of the JSNA is updated annually.

### **1.2 Health and Wellbeing Strategy**

The review of arrangements is an integral part of the safeguarding elements in our joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy. At this point there is no need to change the focus of the Health and Wellbeing Strategy as a result of this report.

### **1.3 Integration**

The Health and Wellbeing Board, Safeguarding Adults Board and the Local Safeguarding Children's Board are comprised of representatives from organisations across the local health and social care economy, working to improve the health and wellbeing of all residents and safeguard children and vulnerable adults.

### **1.4 Financial Implications**

There are no financial implications directly arising from this report.

Implications completed by: Roger Hampson, Group Manager, Finance (Adults)

### **1.5 Legal Implications**

The report recognises the statutory basis of the SAB pursuant to the Care Act 2014 and the protocol is way of ensuring that all the Boards work in a collaborative and integrated way.

Implications completed by; Dawn Pelle, Adult Social Care Lawyer

## **Public Background Papers Used in the Preparation of the Report:**

Ofsted Inspection Report of Services for Children in Need, Looked After Children, Care Leavers and the Review of the Local Children's Safeguarding Board

## **List of Appendices:**

Appendix 1: Protocol outlining Barking and Dagenham's safeguarding partnership arrangements