Safeguarding Adults Board
Quality and Improvement Sub Group

Terms of Reference

1. Overall Statement

The Cornwall and Isles of Scilly Safeguarding Adults Board exists to ensure that all agencies work together to minimise the risk of abuse to vulnerable adults and to protect vulnerable adults effectively when abuse has occurred or may have occurred. The Board is committed to learning from experience and to a process of continuous improvement.

The Safeguarding Adults Board will closely follow government advice set out in ‘No Secrets’ DH 2000, the ‘Safeguarding Adults’ standards published by ADSS in October 2005 and any subsequent legislation and guidance deriving from the Care and Support Bill which is currently in Parliament.

The Safeguarding Adults Board Quality and Improvement Group will report to and support the work of the Safeguarding Adults Board.

2. Outcomes

The outcomes of this meeting will be:

- Leadership to fully embed safeguarding adults polices and procedures in the practice of front line staff.
- Consistent and robust outcomes for vulnerable adults.
- The monitoring of performance against the Safeguarding Adults Board work plan.
- The sharing of application of learning and experience from practice in Cornwall and the Isles of Scilly including from serious case reviews
- The sharing and application of learning and experience from practice across the UK.
- Review of operational effectiveness of safeguarding adults policies and procedures and proposal of amendments for consideration by the SAB.
- The monitoring of consistency of threshold decisions.
• An annual report to the Safeguarding Adults Board.
• A working performance monitoring framework for safeguarding in Cornwall and the Isles of Scilly.

3. **Chairing**

Adult Care Health and Wellbeing Lead for Safeguarding Adults

4. **Standing Agenda Items (subject to future review)**

• Learning from experience
• Performance monitoring data
• SAB work plan progress
• Updates from partner agencies

5. **Frequency of Meetings**

Quarterly

6. **Venue & Administration**

Meetings will normally be held in New County Hall, Truro.

Administration will be provided by the safeguarding adults unit.

7. **Relationship to other forums**

The work of this group will be reported to:

• Safeguarding Adults Board

The group will consider outcomes from

1. Triggers protocol information sharing meeting
1. Serious case review sub group
1. Learning, training, and development sub group of the Safeguarding Adults Board
1. Partner agency safeguarding adults groups
8. Membership

Representatives of SAB partner agencies:

- Care Quality Commission
- Carers Services Centre
- Cornwall Council Adult Care Health and Wellbeing
- Cornwall Housing
- Cornwall Council Social Care Learning and Development
- Cornwall Partnership NHS Trust
- Devon and Cornwall Police
- Devon and Cornwall Probation
- Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence Coordinator
- Independent Sector Provider
- Multi-agency Safeguarding Adults Unit
- Peninsula Community Health
- NHS Kernow
- Royal Cornwall Hospitals NHS Trust

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