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Chair's Blog Spot

Hello,

Welcome to the Autumn 2023 newsletter. I am so pleased that Daniel has commenced as our Board Business Manager. I feel that we can now make some real strides forward in strengthening the Board governance and making continual improvements to safeguarding in Kingston.

I was pleased with the level of meaningful discussion at the October SAB. The agenda was planned to align with the priorities of prevention and protection. The focus was on the system response to those individuals who have care and support needs relating to mental health, self-neglect concerns or at risk due to the impact of cost of living issues.

In October, I presented the 2022/23 Annual Report to the Health and Wellbeing Board. The annual report will be published shortly on the webpage. It will look very different this year and I would like to thank the Communications workstream for their support in taking this forward.

I am now looking forward to Adult Safeguarding Week at the end of November. I will be out and about in Kingston so please do look out for me and say hello. Additionally, I am busy planning for the SAB Development Day. This will be the first time the SAB has met in person since I started. It will be an opportunity to reflect on the last year and undertake some rigorous planning for 2024-25.

Best wishes,
Nicky

Board Summary

On the 19th October 2023, KSAB held a virtual meeting. The board welcomed Daniel Morris, who has been appointed as the New Business Manager for the KSAB. Welcome to Kingston Daniel!

The Board received a presentation by Fergus Keegan, Director of Quality at the ICB; Sam Morrison, Acting Director of Adult Social Care; Ian Cameron, Detective Superintendent, from Metropolitan Police on the impact of Right Care, Right Person (RCRP) from a health and police perspective. RCRP is an operational model that provides guidance on the way the **MPS responds to health related calls** and is aimed at making sure the **right agency deals with health-related calls**, instead of the police being the default first responder where there is a concern about a person's physical or mental health. This model is due to go live on 1st November 2023. The SAB continued the learning with focussed papers on Self-Neglect by Su Fitzgerald, Housing & Cost of Living Issues by Amanjit Sandhu and Lorna Brooke, and Winter Pressures by Peter Warburton and Francesca Butcher.

The board received an update on the imminent Inspection of Adult Social Care by CQC and the impact this will have on the SAB. The inspection date is yet to be confirmed. The SAB Chair also confirmed the 2022/23 Annual Report had recently been presented to the Health & Wellbeing Board and will be ready for publication shortly. Several members shared their organisations data and intelligence information on what should we be concerned about, and how do we know we have made a difference? The Comms Sub-group shared plans for National Safeguarding Adults Week – see the 'Spotlight On...' section for more information. The Training Sub-group discussed links with the voluntary sector and if training could be provided for Trustees to ensure they get a sense of compliance.

The next scheduled KSAB is on 18th January 2024 commencing at 1.00pm

Please send all enquiries and information to ksab@kingston.gov.uk

Spotlight on....NSAW 2024

National Safeguarding Adults Week 2024

#SafeguardingAdultsWeek

This year, National Safeguarding Adults Week will take place from the 20th to the 24th November 2024. This year, the focus is on how you can prioritise the welfare and wellbeing of yourself and others.

It's an opportunity for organisations to come together to raise awareness of important safeguarding issues. The aim is to highlight key safeguarding issues, start conversations and raise awareness of safeguarding best practice. Each day, there will be focus on a different safeguarding theme which relates to how individuals and organisation can safeguard themselves and others.

National events for the week are as follows:

- **Monday 20th November, 10-11am** – “Who’s looking after the people looking after the people” - This session is about how individuals can look after their own wellbeing when supporting others.
- **Tuesday 21st November, 10-11am** – “Let’s Start Talking – Taking the Lead on Safer Cultures in Your Organisation” – This session will discuss what makes a safer culture and provide participants with a space to reflect on the culture within the organisation.
- **Wednesday 22nd November, 9-4pm** – “Looking after Yourself & Others: Ann Craft Trust Safeguarding Adults Conference” – informative keynotes and workshops.
- **Friday 24th November, 10-11am** – “Developing Boccia England’s Your Wellbeing Toolkit” – learn about the creation of the wellbeing toolkit.

All seminars can be booked online: <https://www.anncrafttrust.org/events/>

Within Kingston, members of the Adult Safeguarding Team and Kingston Safeguarding Adults Board will be going out into the community to engage with Kingston residents and raise awareness of adult safeguarding.

The team will be at the following locations:

- **Monday** – AM: Guildhall 2 Foyer, 10-12pm PM: Kings Centre, Chessington, 1.30-3pm
- **Tuesday** – New Malden Library, 10-1pm
- **Wednesday** – Kingston Market Place (opposite Anthropology), 11-1pm
- **Thursday** – Hook Library, 10-1pm

If you have an hour free, come along, say “Hi” and join us to raise awareness at any of the above locations during the week, as ‘**Safeguarding is Everyone’s Business**’.

Subject Matter Expert Sessions

S.M.E sessions have been arranged as follows:

➤ **Basic Safeguarding Awareness**

These sessions are an introduction to Adult Safeguarding and is aimed at those individuals who are new to their roles and require a basic understanding. The sessions will cover all areas of adult safeguarding including the types of abuse, triggers, indicators plus much more. **The sessions are aimed at RBK New Starters, partner organisations, the voluntary sector and charity organisations only.**

Dates: 21st November 2023 – 10-12.30pm 18th March 2024 – 1.30-4pm
18th June 2024 – 1-3.30pm 17th September 2024 – 10-12.30pm
20th November 2024 – 10-12.30pm

All sessions are run **virtually** so to reserve your place before they get all booked, email ksab@kingston.gov.uk with your preferred date. A calendar invite will be forwarded to you.

➤ **“NEW” **Lunch & Learn Sessions****

The SAB is pleased to announce that we have once again arranged some virtual lunchtime sessions with the aim of improving the understanding of SARs (Safeguarding Adult Reviews) and to also share recommendations and findings from the reports. Each session will run for 1 hour (1-2pm). Confirmation of the new sessions are as follows:

- **30th November 2023** – Part 1 - Discharge from Hospital: safeguarding adults
- **6th December 2023** – Self-Neglect Protocol
- **14th December 2023** – Part 2 - Discharge from Hospital: safeguarding adults

If you would like to attend any of the sessions, please email ksab@kingston.gov.uk and a calendar invite will be forwarded directly to you. **Don't miss out on securing your place at these interesting events!** We look forward to hearing from you.

KiSPA (Kingston Safeguarding Practice Award)

The Kingston Safeguarding Adults Practice Awards (KiSPA) was introduced to recognise and reward exemplary safeguarding practice.

Nominations are always welcome and should be submitted on a Nomination Form and forwarded to ksab@kingston.gov.uk for consideration.

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KSAB Sub-Group Update

SAR Sub Group



At the last SAR Sub-group meeting in October, the sub-group received updates for the ongoing SARs and considered 2 new referrals. More information was requested before a definitive decision could be made on the new referrals.

The next meeting is scheduled for December 2023 and all new referrals should be submitted in advance and sent to sar.referral@kingston.gov.uk.

Details of how to make a SAR Referral can be found [here](#).

Training Sub Group



At the last Training Sub-group meeting in September, discussions were held on links with the voluntary sector and if training could be provided for Trustees to ensure they get a sense of compliance.

Other training opportunities and requests were also discussed, along with the new dates for 2024 on Basic safeguarding Awareness.

The next meeting is scheduled for 6th December 2023

Communications Sub Group



At the last Comms Sub-group meeting in September, the group discussed this year's National Safeguarding Adults Week – see 'Spotlight On...' section for further details.

The group discussed the rollout of the Safeguarding Business Pledge and putting together a pack to include the new safeguarding literature. A KSAB Video was discussed and the group will need to think about what this will say, where it will go and who is it for.

The next meeting is scheduled for 6th December 2023.

Participation and Feedback

We would welcome articles highlighting your, your colleague's or even your organisations achievements or publicising planned events.

We would also like feedback and suggestions on how we can ensure the newsletter is relevant and helpful.

Please participate by emailing us at ksab@kingston.gov.uk with the subject line 'SAB Newsletter'