


Cabinet 1 August 2022	 TOWER HAMLETS
Report of: Denise Radley – Corporate Director Health, Adults and Communities Directorate	Classification: Unrestricted
Safeguarding Adults Board Annual Report 2021-22	

Lead Member	Cllr Gulam Kibria Choudhury, Cabinet Member for Health, Wellbeing and Social Care
Originating Officer(s)	Shohel Ahmed (Partnership Board Manager)
Wards affected	All wards
Key Decision?	No
Forward Plan Notice Published	6 May 2022
Reason for Key Decision	This report has been reviewed as not meeting the Key Decision criteria
Strategic Plan Priority / Outcome	This decision will support one or more of the Corporate Priorities as set out in the Strategic Plan 2022-26 which is anticipated to be approved at this meeting

Executive Summary

Every year, the Safeguarding Adults Board publishes an Annual Report to set out progress, achievements and learning over the previous year. The attached Annual Report for 2021-22 is presented to Cabinet to note. It is being presented to the Safeguarding Adults Board in July for agreement and will be published on the councils website.

Recommendations:

The Mayor in Cabinet is recommended to:

1. Note the Safeguarding Adults Board Annual Report 2021-22.

1. REASONS FOR THE DECISIONS

- 1.1 It is a statutory requirement to publish a Safeguarding Adults Board annual report. 2014 Care Act statutory guidance states that one of the three core duties of a Safeguarding Adults Board is:

“It must publish an annual report detailing what the SAB has done during the year to achieve its main objective and implement its strategic plan, and what

each member has done to implement the strategy as well as detailing the findings of any safeguarding adults reviews and subsequent action¹".

2. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

- 2.1 The content and format of the Safeguarding Annual Report can be revised in line with feedback.

3. DETAILS OF THE REPORT

- 3.1 The Safeguarding Annual Report sets out the progress, achievements and learning over the previous year. It follows a similar format to last year's report, which was well received. It begins with a foreword from the chair of the Safeguarding Adults Board as well as a foreword from the Lead Member for Health, Wellbeing and Social Care. It goes on to describe:
- Demographic data in Tower Hamlets
 - Safeguarding performance data for 2021-22
 - Funding arrangements for the Safeguarding Adults Board
 - Key achievements from partners over the previous year
 - Progress against last year's priorities
 - Information on Learning from the Lives and Deaths of People with Learning Disabilities and Autism (LeDeR)
 - Our plans for 2022-23
 - Background information on the governance, structure and membership of the Board
 - Links to other strategic boards.
 - Glossary
 - What to do if you are concerned about an adult

4. EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 The Annual Report includes a detailed analysis of 2021-22 referrals according to gender, ethnic background, age and disability.

5. COMMENTS OF THE CHIEF FINANCE OFFICER

- 5.1 The gross expenditure for the administration of the Safeguarding Adults Board in 2021-22 was £121,591. Partner agencies contributed £75,400 (including a late payment received from Barts Health of £5,000 that related to the 2020-21 contribution). The Local Authority contributed to the balance of the costs remaining at £46,191.
- 5.2 There are no direct financial implications arising from the annual report.

6. COMMENTS OF LEGAL SERVICES

- 6.1 Section 43 of the Care Act 2014 requires each local authority to set up a

¹ Section 14.136 <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/care-act-statutory-guidance/care-and-support-statutory-guidance#safeguarding-1>

Safeguarding Adults Board for its area. Schedule 2 of the Care Act 2014 sets out the requirement for each Safeguarding Adults Board to publish an annual report, what the contents of that report must include and which people or bodies must receive a copy.

- 6.2 The statutory guidance 'Care and support statutory guidance' sets out the requirements for Safeguarding Adults Boards, including the publication of annual reports.
- 6.3 The matters set out in this report comply with the above legislation and guidance
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Appendices

Appendix 1 - Safeguarding Adults Board Annual Report 2021-22

Background Documents – Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Access to Information)(England) Regulations 2012

- NONE

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