

TRAFFORD COUNCIL

Report to: Health Scrutiny Committee
Date: 26th June 2018
Report for: Information / Decision
Report of: Trafford Strategic Safeguarding Board
Report Title

Update the Committee on the development and implementation of Trafford Strategic Safeguarding Board

Purpose

To inform the Committee of progress made on the development of the new Strategic Board.

Progress update

It was previously reported to the Committee in October 2017 that there was an intention to merge the Children's Safeguarding Board and the Adult Safeguarding Board into a single Strategic Safeguarding Board for Trafford. This report updates Health Scrutiny Committee on the progress made to date.

Last week the attached letter was sent to all current members of the Children and Adult Safeguarding Boards from the Chair of Trafford Strategic Safeguarding Board. This outlines that we are now ready to launch the new Board and further develop its infrastructure.

Over the last year significant progress has been made to reach this position:

- Creation of a single staffing structure
- Creation of a single Independent Chair
- Creation of a single budget
- Development underway on a single Business Plan
- Development of a single Sub-Board structure (outlined below).

This process has been guided by an Executive Committee made up of the Independent Chair and representatives of the Council, CCG, Public Health and GMP.

The new Strategic Safeguarding Board has applied to the Department for Education to be selected as a formal 'Early Implementer' of the new safeguarding arrangements (under the 2017 Children and Social Work Act and Working Together 2018) but we have not yet received a response. This would allow us to pay for the new strategic approach to be formally evaluated to monitor its effectiveness.

Cathy Rooney

Director – Safeguarding (on behalf of Trafford Strategic Safeguarding Board)

Dear Board Member

Trafford Strategic Safeguarding Board (TSSB)

Following our successful consultation event in April, we are now in a position to formally launch the Trafford Strategic Safeguarding Board. This marks the culmination of the work we have all been involved in over the past 18 months to achieve a fully integrated, all-age safeguarding approach at strategic level. Your support and involvement in the process have been invaluable, we wouldn't have come so far in such a short time without your commitment and enthusiasm. Thank you!

Our next meeting, on 25th June 2018, will be the first fully integrated Board meeting – it will also be the final meeting where we have such a large and diverse membership. Following the meeting on 25th June we will move to a smaller Board whilst ensuring that we have representation from across the agencies, both at Board level and in the sub-Boards.

The anticipated membership of the new Board is as follows:

Maureen Noble	Independent Chair
Jill Colbert (resigning at the June meeting)	Trafford MBC
Cathy Rooney	Director of Safeguarding Trafford MBC
Mary Moore	Chief Nurse, Trafford CCG
Eleanor Roaf	Interim Director of Public Health Trafford Partnership
Suzanne Downey	Superintendent, Greater Manchester Police
Karen Samples	Director of Education, Trafford MBC
Richard Roe (TBC)	Corporate Director with lead for Housing
Chris Hart (TBC)	Chief Officer - THRIVE (representing the third sector)
To Be Confirmed	Trafford Chamber of Commerce

You will know that the infrastructure supporting the Board is in the final stages of development (see the attached schematic). The sub-boards will be the engine room of our safeguarding work and will require the same level of support and commitment that you have given to the Adults and Children's Boards.

The next Board meeting will provide an opportunity for you to consider your involvement in sub-Boards and this will be followed up by Sophie Triantafillou, our Board Manager and her team.

I look forward to seeing you on 25th June and, in closing, may I take this opportunity to thank you for your commitment and contributions. I hope we can rely on your continuing support in the coming years.

With best regards

M. A. Noble

Maureen Noble

Independent Chair

