

## **TRAFFORD COUNCIL**

**Report to:** Health & Well Being Board  
**Date:** 21<sup>st</sup> July 2017  
**Report for:** Information  
**Report of:** Children Safeguarding Board, Adult Safeguarding Board and Safer Trafford Partnership (Protecting Vulnerable People group)

### **Report Title**

Changes to the structure of Children and Adult Safeguarding Boards and Protecting Vulnerable People aspects of Safer Trafford Partnership.

### **Purpose**

To inform the Health & Well-Being Board of changes proposed to the organisation of the Safeguarding Boards for children and Adults and aspects of Safer Trafford Partnership in Trafford.

Details in attached paper (see below).

### **Recommendations**

For the Board to note the proposed changes and offer support to the new Joint Board arrangement as appropriate.

### **Contact person for access to background papers and further information:**

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## **Briefing Paper – Creation of Joint Children and Adult Safeguarding Board for Trafford**

### **1. Background**

Similar to most Local Authority areas Trafford has had 2 Safeguarding Boards; one for children and one for adults. Each of these Boards are at very different stages of their development. The Wood Review (which informed the Children and Social Work Act 2017) and discussions at GM level have allowed us to consider different ways to deliver the Children's Board. Therefore it is worth revisiting our model of delivery while the Children's Board is reconsidering its format and the Adult Board is not yet fully developed.

While significant differences still exist, there is also a notable amount of overlap between the remit and membership of the two Boards. There is also some overlap with Safer Trafford Partnership, particularly its 'Protecting Vulnerable People' (PVP) sub-group.

In Trafford we are developing a unique integrated all-age health and social care service, and many of the other services in Trafford also cover both a child and adult protection and support agendas. Increasingly we are looking at all-age and whole family based approaches to addressing needs and concerns. Currently the Boards meet separately, have separate agendas, separate chairs, some separate and some shared infrastructures and are organised in different ways; but the membership is very similar with the Council, CCG, Police, Pennine Care, NPS, CRC etc. sending the same representatives to each separate board.

This paper proposes a different way to organise the approach and working of the Safeguarding Boards in Trafford and consider how to also bring it closer to the work of Safer Trafford Partnership.

#### **The current Childrens Board**

The children's board is well established and has a strong history and background. The children's board had a Board Manager who has now left. There is a full-time training officer for children's safeguarding and a shared project officer with the adult's board to support the administration of the both Boards. There are a number of Committees and a well-developed Business Plan in place.

#### **The current Adults Board**

The adult board is much newer and less well developed. There is new membership and there have been meetings of the full board during this year as well as a Development Day. The sub-group structure is developing at pace and the Business Plan is very new. A new Board Manager was appointed to the adult board six months ago.

#### **Safer Trafford Partnership**

This is the Statutory Community Safety Partnership for Trafford. There is a Protecting Vulnerable People (PVP) sub-group which has a remit and action plan that is victim focussed and currently includes domestic abuse, children who go missing, CSE, PREVENT, crimes against older people and vulnerable adults etc. There is a strong overlap of remit and membership between this group and both Boards, and its main focus is on a range of safeguarding issues

### **2. Proposal for a different way to organise these functions**

The proposal is that all these functions come together while still allowing for the unique focus of each group to be retained. There will be one meeting every quarter that will take half a day which will consider all aspects safeguarding and protecting vulnerable people.

Underneath the joint board will be a series of sub-groups or committees that will ensure the detailed work is undertaken. A proposed sub-group structure is contained in Appendix 1.

- There will be one Independent Chair initially for both Boards. As the Boards merge the Chair will cover the new joint Board. The new Chair has been appointed (Maureen Noble).
- There will be one Joint Business Plan
- There will one joint Annual Report organised in the same way as above.
- The budgets of the Children and Adult Board will be pooled.
- The staffing for both Boards will be brought together under one single structure
- Discussions are underway about how the Protecting Vulnerable People aspects of Safer Trafford Partnership fit with the new Board structure and how the current support functions to PVP are carried out in the future
- There will be full consultation with stakeholders and a legal test to check the statutory requirements of the LSCB, Adult Safeguarding Board and the PVP aspects of the community Safety partnership is met.

### 3. Summary Project Plan:

When	What	Lead
October 2016	Meeting of TMBC, GMP and CCG to discuss the future of Safeguarding Governance and agree principles to take forward.	Jill Colbert Paul Savill Catherine Randall Cathy Rooney
November & December 2016	Pre-engagement of principles with TSCB, TSAB and PVP	Cathy Rooney
January & February 2017	Formal consultation with TSCB and TSAB Board members	Cathy Rooney
	Appointment of Interim Joint Independent Chair	Cathy Rooney
March – May 2017	Creation of Executive Group and Transformation Group for detailed work on: Sub-group structure Joint Budget Staffing Options	Maureen Noble and Cathy Rooney
May – July 2017	Final consultations and agreement proceed for a joint Board in place for September.	Maureen Noble
	Formal Staff consultation for new staff structure.	Cathy Rooney
	Legal test of proposed structure to ensure compliance with all legislation and statutory requirements.	Kerry Purnell
	Finalise the role of PVP in the new structure	
September 2017	New Board Structure in place	

**Cathy Rooney 21.06.17**

**BOARD**

**EXECUTIVE GROUP**

**COMMUNICATIONS  
& ENGAGEMENT**

**PERFORMANCE  
MONITORING &  
AUDIT**

**LEARNING &  
DEVELOPMENT**

**POLICY &  
PROCEDURES**

**PREVENTION**

PREVENTION / EARLY HELP /  
SELF MANAGEMENT /  
ASSET BASED COMMUNITY  
DEVELOPMENT etc.

**COMPLEX SAFEGUARDING  
(Extra-familial)**

CSE /MISSING/ ORGANISED  
CRIME/ORGANISATIONAL  
CRIME /PREVENT/ E-SAFETY /  
ANTI-BULLYING/ HATE CRIME /  
HUMAN TRAFFICKING /  
MODERN DAY SLAVERY

**PERSONAL and FAMILY  
SAFEGUARDING**

**(Intra-familial)**

DOMESTIC ABUSE / MENTAL  
HEALTH / DRUGS &  
ALCOHOL/ABUSE WITHIN THE  
FAMILY/HONOUR BASED  
VIOLENCE

**LEARNING REVIEWS**

SCR / DHR / SAR/LEARNING  
REVIEWS / SINGLE AGENCY  
REVIEWS etc.

**CASE BASED DISCUSSIONS FOR ESCALATED CASES FROM BAU**

TARGET / MAPPA / MARAC / SEAM / CHANNEL PANEL / PRIVATE FOSTERING WORKING GROUP / SPOTLIGHTS IOM / OPERATION CHALLENGER (OCE) /  
ASB – YOUTH & COMMUNITY MEETINGS / CDOP / ORGANISATIONAL ABUSE RESPONSE/ 4 PLACE BASED TEAMS/GOLD MEETINGS

**BUSINESS AS USUAL (BAU) PROCESSES FOR CASE MANAGEMENT**