

## Health and Adult Social Care Overview and Scrutiny Committee



Report subject	<b>Dorset and Bournemouth, Christchurch &amp; Poole Safeguarding Adults Boards Annual Report 2021-2022</b>
Meeting date	28 <sup>th</sup> November 2022
Status	Public Report
Executive summary	<p>It is a statutory requirement for the Dorset Safeguarding Adults Board (SAB) to publish an Annual Report each year and to present that report to the Council's Health &amp; Wellbeing Board. Many Councils also request that the report is presented to Scrutiny as the report enables a discussion on the work of the Safeguarding Adults Board</p> <p>The attached report is for the year April 2021 to March 2022 and represents a full year under the governance of the current Chair – the report was agreed at the September meeting of the Safeguarding Adults Boards (SABs).</p> <p>During this year the Board has agreed to join together with the Dorset Safeguarding Adults Board for meetings and sub groups. This has enabled a more efficient governance structure as many of the statutory and other partners cover both local authority areas. However, each Board is still separately constituted and in September 2021, it was agreed that Board meetings would have a single agenda and joined reports; though retaining the ability for place-based separate meetings, should the need arise.</p> <p>This year we agreed to publish one Annual Report for both Dorset and BCP SABs. Throughout this year we have delivered against all of our priorities which are set out in the annual work plan; this Annual Report summarises what the Board has achieved.</p>
Recommendations	<p><b>It is RECOMMENDED that:</b></p> <p><b>Members note the report which informs committee about how the SAB has carried out its responsibilities to prevent abuse and neglect of adults with care and support needs during 2021-2022.</b></p>

Reason for recommendations	<p data-bbox="544 152 746 185">1. <b>Report</b></p> <p data-bbox="544 226 1423 465">1.1 In setting out how the SABs have delivered against the strategic plan during the year, this Annual Report also acknowledges the contribution each of the board partners has made to implementing its strategy. The Strategic Plan for the next (current) year is set out on Page 6.</p> <p data-bbox="544 506 1423 577">1.2 The safeguarding data for Bournemouth, Christchurch &amp; Poole is shown on Pages 8 and 9.</p> <p data-bbox="544 618 1423 904">1.3 It is a statutory requirement that the Annual Report provides a summary of any Safeguarding Adult Reviews (SARs) – these are statutory reviews commissioned by the Board, where someone with care and support needs has died and because of those care and support needs they were unable to protect themselves from abuse neglect or harm.</p>
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Wards	All
Classification	For Recommendation

## Background

1. It is a statutory requirement for the Bournemouth, Christchurch & Poole Safeguarding Adults Board to publish an Annual Report each year and to present that report to the Council's Overview and Scrutiny Committee. The presentation of the report enables a discussion on the work of the Safeguarding Adults Board.
2. The Annual report is for the year April 2021 to March 2022 and represents a full year under the governance of the current Chair – the report was agreed at the September meeting of the Safeguarding Adults Boards (SABs). During this year the Board has agreed to join together with the Dorset Safeguarding Adults Board for meetings and sub groups. This has enabled a more efficient governance structure as many of the statutory and other partners cover both local authority areas. However, each Board is still separately constituted and in September 2021, it was agreed that Board meetings would have a single agenda and joined reports; though retaining the ability for place-based separate meetings, should the need arise. This year we agreed to publish one Annual Report for both Dorset and BCP SABs. Throughout this year we have delivered against all of our priorities which are set out in the annual work plan; this Annual Report summarises what the Board has achieved.

The SAB works closely with the pan-Dorset Safeguarding Children Partnership and the Bournemouth, Christchurch & Poole Community Safety Partnership, especially in relation to statutory reviews e.g., SARs, Domestic Homicide Reviews (DHRs) and the learning deriving from them. This ensures efficient working of the statutory boards and where there is an overlapping agenda for example, where other reviews have identified a need for adult safeguarding, we are able to ensure there is joined up work and importantly joined up learning across professional disciplines.

The Board has a duty to publish any safeguarding adult reviews, completed and published during the year and Members will note SAR Katherine (A Dorset SAR) was the only review published in this year.

### **3. Summary of financial implications**

The budget for the Board is shown on Page 11 of the Annual Report – it shows contributions made by each Council and the partners. During this current financial year (2022/2023), the Board is progressing a single business unit/ team and proposals for more equitable budget contributions are being considered

### **4. Summary of legal implications**

As set out in the Care Act 2014, it is a statutory requirement for the Bournemouth, Christchurch & Poole SAB to publish an Annual Report each year and to present that report to the Council's Health & Wellbeing Board. The Annual Report must also include details of any Safeguarding Adults Review (SAR) which has been commissioned by the Board. SAR Katherine is included but this SAR relates to the Dorset Safeguarding Adults Board

### **5. Summary of human resource implications**

None applicable

### **6. Summary of environmental impact**

Not applicable

### **7. Summary of public health implications**

None applicable

### **8. Summary of equality implications**

None identified

### **9. Summary of risk assessment**

None applicable.

### **Background papers**

None

### **Appendices**

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