# Health and Wellbeing Board



Report subject	Dorset and Bournemouth, Christchurch & Poole (BCP) Safeguarding Adults Boards Annual Report 2022-2023
Meeting date	18 <sup>th</sup> December 2023
Status	Public Report
Executive summary	It is a statutory requirement for the DBCP Safeguarding Adults Boards (SAB) to publish an Annual Report each year and to present that report to the Council's Health & 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.
	The attached report is for the year April 2022 to March 2023. The report was agreed at the September meeting of the Safeguarding Adults Boards (SABs).
	The DBCP Boards have successfully worked together with joint meetings over the year
	One Annual Report for both Dorset and BCP SABs has been published. 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.
Recommendations	It is RECOMMENDED that:
	Members note the report which informs the Board about how the SAB has carried out its responsibilities to prevent abuse, harm and neglect of adults with care and support needs during 2022-2023.
Reason for recommendations	Report      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 this current year is set out on Page 7.
- 1.2 The safeguarding data for Bournemouth, Christchurch & Poole is shown on Page 5 of the Annual Report.
- 1.3 It is a statutory requirement that the Annual Report provides a summary of any Safeguarding Adult Reviews (SARs) which were completed within the year. These are statutory reviews commissioned by the Board, where someone with care and support needs has died or suffered significant harm and where agencies could have worked better together. An outline of SAR 'Aziza' is shown on Page 12.

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Wards	All
Classification	For Recommendation

## **Background**

- It is a statutory requirement for the Dorset and Bournemouth, Christchurch & Poole Safeguarding Adults Boards 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 2022 to March 2023. During the year, the Dorset and BCP Safeguarding Adults Boards successfully worked together holding single Board and subgroup meetings. This has enabled a more efficient governance structure as many of the statutory and other partners cover both local authority areas. 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 adult safeguarding, we have been able to ensure there is joined up work and importantly joined up learning across professional disciplines.

The Board has a duty to include details of any Safeguarding Adult Reviews, completed during the year and Members will note SAR 'Aziza' was the only review published during this year.

#### **Options Appraisal**

3. Not applicable.

#### Summary of financial implications

4. The budget for the Board is shown on Page 4 of the Annual Report – its shows contributions made by each Council and the partners. For this financial year (2022/2023), the Board has worked as a single business unit/ team with more equitable budget contributions

## Summary of legal implications

5. As set out in the Care Act 2014, it is a statutory requirement for the Safeguarding Adults Board 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 Aziza is included.

#### Summary of human resources implications

6. Not applicable.

## Summary of sustainability impact

7. Not applicable.

## Summary of public health implications

8. Not applicable.

## Summary of equality implications

9. None identified.

#### Summary of risk assessment

10. None applicable

#### **Background papers**

None.

## **Appendices**

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