

## **Bradford Safeguarding Adults Board Vision**

*Working together to safeguard people's right to live fulfilling lives  
feeling safe, healthy and happy - FREE from abuse and neglect*

### **Who we are**

The Safeguarding Adults Board (SAB) is a multi-agency partnership which has statutory functions under the Care Act 2014.

The main job of the Safeguarding Adults Board is to ensure that in Bradford District safeguarding arrangements work effectively so that adults at risk due to health needs, social care needs or disabilities are able to live their lives free from abuse or neglect.

### **What do we do?**

- Work with partner agencies, organisations and people in our communities to raise awareness on adult abuse.
- Adults who have been harmed, or are at risk of harm, are placed at the centre of everything we do; they are respected and listened to when planning how we support them to safeguard themselves from abuse
- Work with partners to ensure that everyone who needs it, receives appropriate training to make sure they are able to identify and respond to abuse.
- Collect and analyse data related to the safeguarding of adults in Bradford and use this to develop services for adults at risk and their families.
- Identify and promote good safeguarding practice with other boards, organisations and operational staff.
- Learn and improve from circumstances when things go wrong
- Review policies and guidance in light of statutory development to make sure we are constantly improving.
- Hold Board organisations in Bradford to account.

### **Our Strategic Statement**

The work of the Safeguarding Adults Board is a partnership. We will work together with partner organisations and people in our communities so that adults with care and support needs can live the best lives they can with their rights and wellbeing supported, safe from abuse and neglect. All the work we do will be underpinned by the following Safeguarding Principles: Empowerment; Protection; Proportionality; Prevention; Partnership and Accountability.

We have identified three priority areas of work which we think are very important. We will continue to work with our partners to make sure that by 2021 these priorities are achieved.

## EMPOWERMENT & PROPORTIONALITY

### People and Outcomes

<b>PRIORITY 1</b>	<b>Making Safeguarding Personal and supporting adults at risk to achieve the outcomes they want</b>
<b>This means</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The Adult will be empowered to have choice and control when going through the safeguarding journey. Their views and wishes will be at the heart of any decisions made.</li><li>• The Adult decides what is important to them and will feel supported throughout the journey. Staff across all organisations will make sure they keep checking what the adult wants.</li><li>• We will ensure the voices of adults with care and support needs, carers and the wider public are heard.</li><li>• Where an Adult has difficulty in understanding information staff across all organisations will ensure they get the necessary support to make their views understood.</li></ul>
<b>What we will do to meet and measure our priorities</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Develop methods for ensuring Making Safeguarding Personal (MSP) is implemented by partner agencies and across Bradford, empowering people to achieve the outcome they want<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- We will develop and implement a survey to evaluate the adult's safeguarding journey.</li><li>- We will develop quality case auditing – for both single and multi-agencies.</li></ul></li><li>• The Safeguarding Voice group will continue to work with us to inform and shape our future work<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- We will do more work with other user led groups so that the voices of wider diverse groups are heard.</li><li>- We will work with partners to deliver public workshops to educate and empower local people to stay safe.</li></ul></li></ul>	

## PREVENTION & PROTECTION

### Systems, Processes & Performance

<b>PRIORITY 2</b>	<b>Making sure that all services have appropriate systems and processes in place to support and safeguard adults effectively</b>
<b>This means</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• We will seek assurance that all work by partners, organisations and communities will comply with the law, including the Care Act, Mental Capacity Act, Mental Health Act and Human Rights Act.</li><li>• We will ensure the new regional Safeguarding Adults Policy and Procedures are implemented.</li><li>• We will work together with our partners to develop new local guidance on roles and responsibilities.</li><li>• We will work together to promote a multi -agency timely response when concerns are raised.</li><li>• We will ensure that an effective prevention approach is undertaken</li></ul>

	in developing a communication and training strategy.
<b>What we will do to meet and measure our priorities</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We will ensure that partners and organisations collect data that is relevant and this will be monitored and evaluated to develop support and services</li> </ul> <p>We will do this by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Reviewing national and regional data and compare with local information.</li> <li>- Implementing a new training strategy and action plan to ensure that multi-agency staff and volunteers have appropriate training to recognise and respond to abuse and understand their own roles and responsibilities.</li> <li>- Auditing the quality of multi-agency training to ensure continuous improvements are made.</li> <li>- Monitoring and evaluating the roll out of the new Safeguarding Adults Policy and Procedures and consider if this is in line with the local safeguarding training programme, local guidance and legal compliance.</li> <li>- Implementing a joint communication strategy and action plan in partnership with the Community Safety Partnership and Safeguarding Children’s Boards. This will explain what work we will do over the coming years to raise awareness in the following priority areas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ mate and hate crime</li> <li>▪ fraud, scams, doorstep crimes and online/social media abuse</li> <li>▪ modern slavery and human trafficking</li> <li>▪ self-neglect and hoarding</li> <li>▪ safeguarding people with care and support needs who experience domestic abuse</li> <li>▪ safeguarding people with dementia</li> <li>▪ preventing abuse in care settings</li> <li>▪ vulnerabilities around radicalisation</li> <li>▪ information about advocacy and support services.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	

<b>PARTNERSHIPS &amp; ACCOUNTABILITY</b>	
<b>Organisations, Professionals &amp; Communities</b>	
<b>PRIORITY 3</b>	<b>Partners, organisations and communities work together to prevent abuse from happening. And if abuse is happening then to recognise it, report and respond appropriately.</b>
<b>This means</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Organisations work effectively together, making sure that they have a skilled workforce that understands their own roles and responsibilities.</li> <li>• Partners and organisations are held to account for their actions.</li> <li>• Information sharing agreements are reviewed and assurance is obtained that all partners are sharing relevant information in a timely manner.</li> <li>• Partner agencies to ensure that their own internal governance arrangements are aligned with the SAB</li> <li>• Learn and improve how we work when things go wrong.</li> </ul>
<b>What we will do to meet and measure our priorities</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We will look at training requirements by carrying out a multi-agency training needs analysis.</li> <li>• We will review partner’s self-assessment questionnaires.</li> <li>• We will continue our work with the Chair and Peer scrutiny sessions.</li> <li>• We will obtain and review feedback from single agency and multi-agency case audits.</li> <li>• We will carry out Safeguarding Adults Reviews to learn lessons on what went wrong when an</li> </ul>	

adult at risk dies or has experienced serious abuse or neglect.