

**Decision Maker:** HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD

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**Title:** BROMLEY SAFEGUARDING ADULTS BOARD 2021/22  
ANNUAL REPORT

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**Ward:** Borough-wide

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1. Summary

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to provide Members with an overview of Bromley Safeguarding Adults Board's (BSAB) 2021/22 Annual Report. Under the S43 (1) of the Care Act 2014 the Local Authority is required to establish a Safeguarding Adults Board. The primary objective of the Board is to help and protect adults in Bromley by co-ordinating and ensuring the effectiveness of Board partners. The Board has an unrestricted remit in what it is able to do to achieve its objectives.
- 1.2 The Board is required, under Schedule 2 (4) the Care Act 2014 to produce an annual report outlining its achievements and those of its members in relation to the Board's strategic objectives. The Board must send a copy of the annual report to the Chief Executive of London Borough of Bromley, the Leader of the Council, the Bromley Metropolitan Police Service Borough Commander, CEO NHS South East London Integrated Care System (Bromley), Chair of the Health and Wellbeing Board and Healthwatch.
- 1.3 Under section 44 of the Care Act the Board is required to publish any findings and recommendations from any Safeguarding Adults Reviews (SARs) undertaken. The Board took the decision in February 2019 to commission a SAR relating to a care home in the borough, the initial findings in February 2021 was followed by further enquiry action overseen by BSAB's Independent Chair, which concluded in July 2021. The Board also commissioned another SAR and agreed the commissioning of another two SARs at the end of year, the findings of which will be referenced in next year's report.
- 1.4 The Board is also required to develop and publish a strategic plan setting out how they will meet their objectives and how their member and partner agencies will contribute to these. The Board held a Business Development Day in October 2021 to review its current position by reflecting on the BSAB 2020-23 Strategy, and to determine the forward 2022-24 Business Plan. The annual report outlines the work achieved in relation to the Board's priority areas as outlined in its strategy.
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2. Reason for Report going to Health and Wellbeing Board

- 2.1 The purpose of this report is to provide the Health and Wellbeing Board with an overview of Bromley Safeguarding Adults Board's (BSAB) 2021/22 Annual Report.
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**3. SPECIFIC ACTION REQUIRED BY HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD AND ITS CONSTITUENT PARTNER ORGANISATIONS**

- 3.1 The Health and Wellbeing Board is requested to take note of the Bromley Safeguarding Adults Board's 2021/22 Annual Report.

Health & Wellbeing Strategy

1. Related priority: Not Applicable

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Financial

1. Cost of proposal: Not Applicable

2. Ongoing costs: Not Applicable

3. Total savings: Not Applicable

4. Budget host organisation: Safeguarding Adults Board

5. Source of funding: Grant Funding

6. Beneficiary/beneficiaries of any savings: Not Applicable

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Supporting Public Health Outcome Indicator(s)

Not Applicable

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#### 4. COMMENTARY

- 4.1 Teresa Bell is the Independent Chair of the Board having taken on this role in January 2021. The Board fulfils its statutory obligations in ensuring that representatives from NHS South East London Integrated Care System (Bromley) and the Metropolitan Police Service attend the Board. The Board is facilitated by a broad range of representatives from across the Borough, including from the private, voluntary, and independent (PVI) sectors, as well as a Lay Member.
- 4.2 The Board's 2021/22 Annual Report provides information regarding the work that has been undertaken during the year. Specific reference is made to the following key priority areas, domestic abuse, financial abuse, self-neglect, modern day slavery, transitional care of children into adulthood, and vulnerable adults in specialist care & residential homes.
- 4.3 The Board's partners have provided information on their work in respect of adult safeguarding and their agency contribution to this. Further information is provided outlining the safeguarding picture in Bromley, adult safeguarding statistics, the Board's governance structure and the work of its subgroups.
- 4.4 The report acknowledges the learning from its second Safeguarding Adults Review (SAR) and the commissioning of a further three learning reviews. It also outlines how the work of the SAR subgroup contributes to wider learning for the partnership, in particular learning from regional and national SARs. A SAR library is of reviews carried out by other SABs is now available on the BSAB website.
- 4.5 The Board is required to collect safeguarding data and submit this to the NHS Digital Safeguarding Adults Collection (SAC). The information provided helps NHS Digital gain an understanding of the safeguarding landscape for England. This data is outlined in the report appendices.
- 4.6 As part of the BSAB's inclusivity agenda, the Board has also produced the annual report, and developed a number of resources, in easy read format; this was done in consultation with members of the BSAB's Communications and Service User Engagement Group (CSUEG).

<b>Non-Applicable Sections:</b>	Impact on Vulnerable People and Children, Financial and Legal Implications, Implications for other Governance Arrangements, Board and Partnership arrangements, including any policy and financial changes required to process the item, and comment from the Director of Author Organisation
Background Documents: (Access via Contact Officer)	Bromley Safeguarding Adults Board 2021/22 Annual Report