Royal Greenwich Safeguarding Adults Board

Summary Annual Report 2018/19

What we achieved this year

**Safeguarding Adults Month (5th to 30th of November)**
22 workshops for professionals in collaboration with partners, public events and awareness campaigns in community for members of the public

**Staying Safe for People with Learning Disabilities**
Over 50 people using services attended the official launch of Safe Places scheme, followed by workshops on safeguarding, fire safety and keeping safe in the community, doorstep crimes and scams

**7th, 14th and 21st November: Public events at the libraries in the borough**
Good opportunity for members of the public to meet and talk to professionals from different agencies regarding concerns and current safeguarding issues

**“Who do I open the door to?” 22nd November**
Doorstep crimes and scam awareness campaign at sheltered schemes in the borough in partnership with Trading Standards

**Safeguarding Conference: 28th November**
A conference about Domestic abuse was held to inform and raise awareness about the impact on women and families. Nick Gazzard’s survival story was impactful and emotional

**Domestic abuse is never ok**
The Board produced, in partnership with Metropolitan Police, Childrens’ Safeguarding Board, and the Safer Greenwich Partnership, 2 videos which were screened on the Big Screen in General Gordon Square, in 9 GP surgeries, Thameside prison and Accident & Emergency, Queen Elizabeth Hospital

**See the Adult See the Child**
Joint initiative with Childrens’ Services to ensure a holistic approach and smooth transition between services

**Safeguarding Adult Reviews**
A total of six reviews in progress. It is expected that the first one will be published in April 2019

**Website**
Our website has changed and aims to be a reliable information source for members of the public and professionals in the borough

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**The Safeguarding Adults Story in Greenwich**

- **1,024 Referrals** regarding safeguarding concerns in Greenwich
- **275 cases** were further investigated
- **45%** enquiries were about neglect
- **16%** of enquiries were about financial abuse
- **13%** of enquiries were about physical abuse
- **58%** of enquiries concerned women
- **47%** of abuse took place in the person’s own home, **22%** in care homes
- **82%** of people were supported by an advocate
- **73%** of enquiries were substantiated or partially substantiated

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**Priorities for 2019-2020**

**EMPOWERMENT**
Improving community and service user engagement

**PREVENTION**
Embedding the Learning from Safeguarding Adults Reviews

**PROPORTIONALITY**
Commissioning specialist training for Family Group Conferencing and Restorative Practice

**PROTECTION**
Developing pathways for complex cases

**PARTNERSHIP**
Delivering a Joint Conference on Transitions and Safeguarding Adults Month

**ACCOUNTABILITY**
Undertake multi-agency case reviews Auditing services and ensuring consistency

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**Getting Involved**
If you live in the Royal Borough of Greenwich and would like to become involved in the work of the Royal Greenwich Safeguarding Adults Board, we would like to hear from you, contact the Safeguarding Adults Board via: safeguarding-adults-board@royalgreenwich.gov.uk