

Meeting: Health and Wellbeing Board and Cabinet **Date:** and Health and Wellbeing Board - 14 December 2023 / Cabinet – 9 January 2024

Wards affected: All

Report Title: Torbay and Devon Safeguarding Adult Partnership (TDSAP) Annual Report 2022/2023

When does the decision need to be implemented? Annual Report for Information Only

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1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 S.43 of the Care Act 2014 places a legal duty on local authorities to establish a Safeguarding Adults Board (SAB) in its area. The objective of the SAB is to help and protect adults in its area where there is reasonable cause to believe the adult has care and support needs and is at risk of or experiencing abuse or neglect and unable to protect themselves.
- 1.2 Care Act Statutory Guidance, requires the SAB to publish an annual report detailing what the SAB has done during the year to achieve its main objective and implement its strategic plan, and what each member has done to implement the strategy as well as detailing the findings of any safeguarding adults' reviews and subsequent action
- 1.3 Locally the Torbay and Devon Safeguarding Adult Partnership (TDSAP) was formed in December 2020 and meets the requirements of the Care Act and Statutory Guidance. The Partnership covers the geographical boundaries of Torbay Council and Devon County Council.
- 1.4 The TDSAP Annual Report is presented to Health and Well Being Board for information following formal sign off by the TDSAP.

2. Reason for Proposal and its benefits

- 2.1 The Annual Report covers the period April 2022 to March 2023. It is separated into 10 sections including a forward by the Independent Chair Paul Northcott and the arrangements and key activities of the TDSAP during the report period.
- 2.2 This includes the purpose, structure, scope of membership and key data summaries. The report also summarises the current strategic priorities.
- 2.3 The continued value of a joint Safeguarding Adult Partnership is reflected within the report, with a clear focus on consistency of approach across Devon and Torbay local authorities and effective time and use of local resources.

3. Recommendation(s) / Proposed Decision

- 3.1 That Members note the contents of the Torbay and Devon Safeguarding Adult Partnership Annual Report 2022/2023 (as set out in appendix 1 to the submitted report) and the requirement for the Torbay and Devon Safeguarding Adult Partnership to publish the Annual report.

Appendices

Torbay and Devon Safeguarding Adult Partnership Annual Report 2022/2023

Background Documents

The Health and Well Being Board may wish to note the TDSAP public website:

<https://www.devonsafeguardingadultpartnership.org.uk/about/>

4. Legal Implications

- 4.1 Chapter 14.136 of Care Act Statutory Guidance requires the TDSAP to publish an annual report detailing the activity to achieve its main objective and its strategic plan. This includes membership information, findings of safeguarding adult reviews and subsequent action.

5. Engagement and Consultation

- 5.1 Throughout the timeline of this report, The TDSAP Community Reference Group included people recruited from local voluntary, community and social enterprises and people with lived experience of the safeguarding process across the TDSAP area. The Community Reference Group had an influential role in the development of strategic priorities and scrutiny of Partnership activity.

The Community Reference Group role is currently under review to ensure that co-production and engagement remains central to the TDSAP functions.

6. Purchasing or Hiring of Goods and/or Services

None

7. Tackling Climate Change

7.1 The Partnership will focus publication as far as possible using on line and social media platforms.

8. Associated Risks

None

9. Equality Impacts - Identify the potential positive and negative impacts on specific groups

	Positive Impact	Negative Impact & Mitigating Actions	Neutral Impact
Older or younger people	x		
People with caring Responsibilities	x		
People with a disability	x		
Women or men	x		
People who are black or from a minority ethnic background (BME) (Please note Gypsies / Roma are within this community)	x		
Religion or belief (including lack of belief)	x		
People who are lesbian, gay or bisexual	x		
People who are transgendered	x		
People who are in a marriage or civil partnership			x

Women who are pregnant / on maternity leave			x
Socio-economic impacts (Including impact on child poverty issues and deprivation)			x
Public Health impacts (How will your proposal impact on the general health of the population of Torbay)			x

10. Cumulative Council Impact

None

11. Cumulative Community Impacts

None