

REPORT TO: Health Policy & Performance Board

DATE: 17th January, 2018

REPORTING OFFICER: Strategic Director, People

PORTFOLIO: Health & Wellbeing

SUBJECT: Halton Safeguarding Adults Board Annual Report 2016-2017

WARD(S) Borough-wide

1.0 **PURPOSE OF THE REPORT**

1.1 To present to the Board, the Halton Safeguarding Adults Board (HSAB) Annual Report 2016-2017.

2.0 **RECOMMENDATION: That the Board note the contents of the report and associated appendix.**

3.0 **SUPPORTING INFORMATION**

3.1 This report fulfils one of Safeguarding Adults Boards three core statutory duties:

1. Develop and publish a strategic plan setting out how they will meet their objectives and how their member and partner agencies will contribute;
2. Publish an annual report detailing how effective their work has been; and
3. Commission safeguarding adults reviews (SARs) for any cases which meet the criteria for these.

3.2 The Annual Report (attached at **Appendix A**) covers the period from 1st April 2016-31st March 2017.

3.3 All members of HSAB, HSAB sub-group chairs and the Safeguarding Adults Partnership Forum members were invited to submit an annual summary of their work activity. The focus of work activity addresses HSAB's priorities as identified from 2015-2016 Annual Report, Performance Framework and Strategic Plan (2016-2018) in addition to acknowledging local and national safeguarding adults emerging issues/trends/policies throughout the year.

3.4 The report provides a summary analysis of the data gathered from both CCG and HBC Safeguarding Adults Collection and highlights what this information tells us for informing the work priorities for 2017-2018.

There top three forms of abuse, neglect and acts of omission, physical and financial abuse remain consistent with previous years with slight variation in prevalence. Females continue to experience a higher percentage of abuse than males.

The data found adults at most risk of harm are older adults (75 years plus), who live in their own home and are most at risk of neglect or acts of omission.

4.0 **POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

4.1 There are no policy implications identified.

5.0 **OTHER/FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

5.1 None identified.

6.0 **IMPLICATIONS FOR THE COUNCIL'S PRIORITIES**

6.1 **Children & Young People in Halton**

None identified.

6.2 **Employment, Learning & Skills in Halton**

None identified.

6.3 **A Healthy Halton**

None identified.

6.4 **A Safer Halton**

The Annual Report contributes to the work of HBC's Safer Halton priority.

The overarching purpose of a Safeguarding Adults Board is to help and safeguard adults with care and support needs. The Annual report is a public document that enables the work of the SAB and it's member organisations to be scrutinised to help achieve a safer Halton.

6.5 **Halton's Urban Renewal**

None identified

7.0 **RISK ANALYSIS**

7.1 None Identified.

8.0 **EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY ISSUES**

8.1 None identified.

9.0 **LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS UNDER SECTION 100D OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972**

9.1 None under the meaning of the Act.