

# Bradford Safeguarding Adults Board Strategic Plan 2018-2021

Our vision is to promote happiness by working together to help people feel safe - free from abuse and neglect.

Our mission is to put the Adult at risk of abuse at the heart of everything we do.



## Bradford Safeguarding Adults Board – Who we are

The Safeguarding Adults Board (SAB) is a multi-agency partnership which has statutory functions under the Care Act 2014. The main focus of the SAB is to ensure that in the Bradford District safeguarding arrangements work effectively so that Adults at risk are able to live their lives free from abuse or neglect.

An Adult at risk is a person aged 18 or over who has needs for care and support and as a result of those needs is unable to protect themselves from either the risk of, or the experience of abuse or neglect. Unpaid carers such as partners, relatives or friends can also get help and support if they are being abused.

**In this Plan we will call an Adult at risk the ‘Adult’.**

## Our Strategic Statement – What we plan to do

We will work together with partner organisations and people in our communities so that Adults can live the best lives they can with their wellbeing and rights being supported, safe from abuse and neglect.

Our work will follow the six Safeguarding Principles which are:

**Empowerment; Protection; Proportionality; Prevention; Partnership and Accountability.**

## How are we going to do this?

We are going to work on three areas of equal importance, which will be our priorities. We will continue to work with our partners to make sure that by 2021 these priorities are achieved.

## How will we know if we have achieved our priorities?

We will measure our progress and achievements through our Delivery Plan which will be updated every three months and made available on our website.

## The Structure of the Safeguarding Adults Board – How we will work

- Board with an Independent Chair
- Delivery group (operational group)
- Training Sub-group
- Performance & Quality Sub-group
- Communication & Engagement Sub-group
- Safeguarding Adults Reviews Sub-group
- Mental Capacity Act & Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards Sub-group
- Safeguarding Voice (community group)
- Task Groups (working groups)



Key objectives

**PRIORITY** 1

**People & Outcomes**

What we will do

Make Safeguarding Personal and support Adults at risk to achieve the outcomes they want.

How we will we do it

- 1.1 We will support and receive assurance from partners that they are embedding Making Safeguarding Personal (MSP) throughout their organisations.
- 1.2 We will seek quality and real time feedback from Adults who have been through the safeguarding service to ensure MSP is being implemented and to learn how we can work better.
- 1.3 We will continue to support the work of the Safeguarding Voice Group so that the voices of people in our communities are heard and inform our work.
- 1.4 We will do more work with other user led groups so that the voices of diverse people are heard.

How we will know that we have done it

Our Making Safeguarding Personal Task group will lead the work for Priority One. They will work closely with the Safeguarding Voice Group. The Delivery Group will check this work is happening as agreed in the Delivery Plan.

How we will know that we have made a difference

Adults will have choice and control when going through the safeguarding journey. Their views and wishes will be listened to and will be at the heart of any decisions made.

How we will know that we have improved the Adult's life

The Adult will feel listened to and be in control. ✓



Key objectives

**PRIORITY**

**2**

**Systems, Processes & Performance**

What we will do

Make sure that all services have appropriate systems and processes in place to support and safeguard Adults effectively.

How we will we do it

- 2.1 We will develop methods to scrutinise and improve systems and processes across the SAB partnership.
- 2.2 We will develop methods to make sure the Care Act, Mental Capacity Act, Mental Health Act & Human Rights Act are being lawfully implemented by partners and organisations.
- 2.3 We will implement and review the impact of the new regional Safeguarding Adults Policy and Procedures.
- 2.4 We will develop new local guidance on roles and responsibilities.
- 2.5 We will set up a Task Group jointly with the Safeguarding Children's Board to assess and learn from complex needs and complex safeguarding concerns to improve practice.

How we will know that we have done it

The Performance & Quality Sub-group will lead the work for Priority Two. The Delivery Group will check this work is happening as agreed in the Delivery Plan.

How we will know that we have made a difference

Adults who have been abused or are at risk of abuse will be protected and we will know if our safeguarding arrangements work well.

How we will know that we have improved the Adult's life

The Adult will feel happy with the actions taken to keep them safe.





Key objectives

**PRIORITY**

**3**

**Organisations, Professionals & Communities**

What we will do

Make sure that partners, organisations and communities will work together to prevent abuse from happening.

How we will we do it

- 3.1 We will improve awareness of safeguarding across all communities, especially with those who are isolated, diverse and underrepresented by reviewing our communication strategy and developing a measurable action plan.
- 3.2 We will implement a training strategy and action plan to audit and improve the current training programme and review and implement future training requirements.
- 3.3 We will work with the Children's Board to recognise young people who remain at risk of abuse by creating clear pathways as they transition into Adult Services.
- 3.4 We will form a new Safeguarding Adults Reviews (SARs) Sub-group. The group will lead the SARs work ensuring that lessons are learnt on what went wrong when an Adult dies or has experienced serious abuse or neglect.

How we will know that we have done it

The Communication & Engagement, Training and the Safeguarding Adults Reviews Sub-groups will lead the work for Priority Three. The Delivery Group will check this work is happening as agreed in the Delivery Plan.

How we will know that we have made a difference

Everyone will be able to recognise what abuse is and know how to respond.

How we will know that we have improved the Adult's life

Adults will feel more confident by being better informed, engaged and supported to feel safe.

