

Welcome to the West of Berkshire Safeguarding Adults Partnership Board briefing. The partnership, which covers Reading, West Berkshire and Wokingham has a large workplan with a number of themes to help better support and protect vulnerable members of the community. This is overseen by a management board which meets four times a year.

The management Board last met in September 2022 and the following was addressed:

- Endorsed the Joint Safeguarding and Criminal Investigations Protocol – which will be launched in the coming weeks.
- Update received on progress made between the Local Authorities, Thames Valley Police and South Central Ambulance Service to address the increase in out of scope safeguarding concerns.
- Assurance that the learning from [John SAR](#) (Safeguarding Adult Review) had been considered and implemented in the partnership.
- Endorsed the revised [Supporting Individuals to Manage Risk and Multi Agency Framework \(MARM\) | Safeguarding Adults Board \(sabberkshirwest.co.uk\)](#) – a relaunch is planned.
- Considered the first draft of our 21/22 Annual Report.
- Endorsed the Self-Neglect and Hoarding Safeguarding Pathway – which will be launched in the coming weeks.
- Considered the impact the introduction of the Buckinghamshire, Oxfordshire, Berkshire West Integrated Care System will have on the Board.
- Agreed assurance arrangements in response to South Central Ambulances recent CQC Inspection rating of [inadequate](#).

The next Board meeting is scheduled for December 2022.



Safeguarding Adults Week – November 2022

The West of Berkshire Safeguarding Adults Partnership Board are supporting the [Ann Craft Trust](#) Safeguarding Adults Week running from the 21st of November – 27th November 2022.

Each day of the week our partners are hosting a wide variety of free webinars to cover the themes on: Responding to Contemporary Safeguarding Challenges. These are open to all health and social care practitioners and volunteers within the West of Berkshire. The webinars will include practical information as well as hearing from people with personal experience in predatory marriage and stalking.

The Programme of events can be found on our website: [Safeguarding Adults Week 2022 | Safeguarding Adults Board \(sabberkshirwest.co.uk\)](#)

The Ann Craft Trust have a range of resources available to those that wish to host their own safeguarding awareness events during this week: [Safeguarding Adults Week 2022 - Links, Resources and More - Ann Craft Trust](#), do let the partnership know what your organisations are doing to promote adult safeguarding during this week by contacting Lynne.Mason@Reading.gov.uk

In addition to the webinars, we will be delivering daily key messages via social media and email for health and social care practitioners, volunteers and the public. If you would like to receive these messages direct, please contact Lynne Mason who will add you to the mailing list.

#SafeguardingAdultsWeek

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**STOP PRESSURE ULCERS DAY –
17TH NOVEMBER 2022**

The European Pressure Ulcer Advisory Panel (EPUAP) is encouraging everyone to take part in this day to help bring knowledge of pressure ulcers to a wider audience.

The EPUAP website ([STOP Pressure Ulcer Day - 17 November 2022 - EPUAP](https://www.epuap.org/stop-pressure-ulcer-day-17-november-2022)) provides free publicity resources for all to help raise awareness. There is a great video available describing pressure ulcers: <https://youtu.be/KGpuWztuQJo>

Do let us know what your organisations are doing to promote this day by contacting: Lynne.Mason@Reading.gov.uk

The partnership has produced a video on Pressure Care Prevention and Monitoring that can be found [here](#).

**Safeguarding Learning and Development Events
Schedule**

The Learning and Development subgroup have launched a events schedule, which lists all training/events relevant to safeguarding adults, that are open to all of the workforce and volunteers, across the West Berkshire.

The schedule will be continuously updated and can be found here: [Workforce Development | Safeguarding Adults Board \(sabberkshirewest.co.uk\)](https://www.sabberkshirewest.co.uk/Workforce-Development-Safeguarding-Adults-Board)

In response to our priority on Self-Neglect, our Independent Chair Professor Keith Brown will be delivering a free virtual session on Self-Neglect and the Mental Capacity Act. On Tuesday 18th October 2022, at 10:30 am, there is no need to book just [Click here to join the meeting](#)

Where possible learning sessions will be recorded and added to our website. The bitesize learning session held in June 2022 in response to the learning from the Steven SAR can be found [here](#).

Message from our partners Healthwatch Reading, West Berkshire and Wokingham Borough



Healthwatch is your local health and social care champion. If you use GPs and hospitals, dentists, pharmacies, care homes or other support services in your area, we want to hear about your experiences. We are independent and have the power to make sure NHS leaders and other decision makers listen to local feedback and improve standards of care. We can also help you to find reliable and trustworthy information and advice. Last year, the Healthwatch network helped nearly a million people like you to have your say and get the support you need.

Healthwatch Reading, West Berkshire and Wokingham Borough are part of a network of over 150 local Healthwatch across the country. All three are now hosted by The Advocacy People who also deliver advocacy services across Berkshire West.

We're here to listen to the issues that really matter to people in Reading, West Berkshire and Wokingham Borough and to hear about your experiences of using local health and social care services. We're entirely independent and impartial, and anything you share with us is confidential.

Healthwatch uses your feedback to better understand the challenges facing the NHS and other care providers and we make sure your experiences improve health and care for everyone – locally and nationally. We can also help you to get the information and advice you need to make the right decisions for you and to get the support you deserve.

It's really important that you share your experiences – whether good or bad, happy or sad. If you've had a negative experience, it's easy to think there's no point in complaining, and that 'nothing ever changes'. Or, if you've had a great experience, that you 'wish you could say thank you'. Remember, your feedback is helping to improve people's lives. So, if you need advice, or you're ready to tell your story – we're here to listen.

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