

Minutes

Meeting Name:	eting Name: Suffolk Safeguarding Partnership Board (Children's)	
Meeting Date & Time:	Friday 23 June 2023 11.00 – 13.00h	
Meeting Venue:	MS Teams Meeting	

Attendees

Role	Organisation
Independent Chair	Suffolk Safeguarding Partnership
Corporate Director	Suffolk County Council
Designated Doctor	ICB
Head of Safeguarding	Suffolk County Council
Designated Nurse	Suffolk & Northeast Essex ICB
Professional Advisor	Suffolk Safeguarding Partnership
Detective Superintendent	Suffolk Constabulary
Mental Health Lead	SNEE ICB
Partnership Co-Ordinator	Suffolk Safeguarding Partnership
Partnership Manager	Suffolk Safeguarding Partnership
Assistant Director for Childrens Services	Suffolk County Council
Director - Children, Young People and Maternity	Norfolk and Waveney ICB and Norfolk Children's Services
Councillor	Suffolk County Council
Detective Superintendent	Suffolk Constabulary
Training, Safeguarding and Quality Standards Development Officer	Community Action Suffolk
Assistant Director: Early Help, Safeguarding, MASH, QEPD, Resource and Support	Suffolk County Council
Group Head of Welfare and Safeguarding	Eastern Colleges Group
Prevention and Safeguarding	Suffolk Fire and Rescue Service
Deputy Designated Nurse Safeguarding Children	Norfolk and Waveney ICB
Education Officer	Education Services

Role	Organisation	
Associate Director of Nursing	Suffolk & Northeast Essex ICB	
Head of Safeguarding	West Suffolk Foundation Trust	
Suicide Lead	Public Health	
Head of Service	Suffolk probation	
CEO	Healthwatch Suffolk	
Designated Nurse	SNEE ICB	
Consultant	Public Health	
GP	Suffolk GP Federation	

In Attendance

Role	Organisation
Temporary Detective Superintendent	Suffolk Constabulary
Community Safety Coordinator	Public Health
Operational Analyst	Suffolk Constabulary

Apologies

Role	Organisation
Chief Executive	Community Action Suffolk
Director of Nursing	Suffolk & Northeast Essex and Norfolk & Waveney ICBs
Deputy Chief Executive	Babergh & Mid Suffolk Councils

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1.	Minutes and actions from the last meeting held on 20 March 2023. The minutes from the last meeting were agreed and the actions were updated as below:	
	Operational Oversight Group- This is working well across all partners.	
	ICB Financial Position- A 30% reduction in running costs throughout the ICB's has to be made by 2025. Non-pay costs have been scrutinised such as estates, mobile phone contracts etc. She reported that there is a vacancy freeze currently and the vacancies being held are	

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being reviewed. A robust EQIA is currently being carried out and finalised. This will be shared with the Board in due course.

The same process is being applied to Waveney as this is a national directive to all ICBs. Issues were raised in regard to the ability to recruit to a MASH health post as a fixed term contract is only being offered. This will be brought back if the appointment does not get resolved.

- Addenbrookes- There is a new Head of Safeguarding at Addenbrookes with improved partnership working. The child death policy will be reviewed in due course. This will be brought back for an update to the December meeting.
- Port of Felixstowe- A letter had been received from the Director of Border Force, stating that
 they will review the accommodation at the port and that the SSP will be invited to view this
 when the required upgrade has been completed. This will be brought back to the September
 meeting for an update on progress.

Actions/Decisions

- Addenbrookes- This issue will be brought back to the December meeting for an update on the new Head of Safeguarding at the hospital.
- Port of Felixstowe- An update will be given at the December Board with the progress of the update to the accommodation at Felixstowe port.

Agenda Items for Discussion

2.

The Board were presented with a copy of the SSPs Annual Impact Report and Strategic Business Plan. The priorities for the Business Plan have been put together in consultation with partners and will run over a three-year period to allow time for completion. Both reports were welcomed and commended for their style, content, and brevity. These have been signed off by the SSPs Executive Group.

Annual Impact Report 22/23 and Strategic Business Plan 23/25

3. Right Care, Right Person

A presentation was given explaining the work that is being carried out in Suffolk. The national context of this work was explained stating that 'Right Care, Right Person' is a model designed to ensure that when there are concerns for a person's welfare linked to mental health, medical or social care issues, the right person with the right skills, training and experience will respond.

In recent years, police officers have often been required to offer support to those who really require specialist medical or psychological care.

Under 'Right Care, Right Person,' officers will no longer be taking on this responsibility when it is not appropriate to do so. Indeed, police intervention can have a detrimental effect on vulnerable patients who feel they are being criminalised because of their health or social care issues.

At the Adults Board earlier in the week it was agreed that this work will be carried out in conjunction with SODA, Voluntary Sector, and the Emergency Services.

It was asked how many fewer calls relating to children will be followed up by police following the implementation of phase 1. Last year 21,000 incidents were recorded in relation to welfare calls to the Police. A representative sample of 400 of these calls were looked through in depth. 45% were not attended by Police as there was no requirement for police involvement. From the 21,000 calls around 3,800 would not have been attended under Right Care, Right Person. The overall impact on children will be less due to the statutory framework around responding to children that is in place. Will the police support out-of-hours workers if they do not feel comfortable attending a call out on their own. It was confirmed that if there was heightened risk to a professional, they would attend, though each case would be assessed on its own merit.

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	Actions/Decisions:
4.	Survey Results- Demand and Resourcing Suffolk Constabulary The Force Management Statement for 2023 which is published annually was presented to the Board. The presentation will be circulated with these minutes. It was requested that SODA consider working on a cross partnership piece of work looking at demand and resourcing across partners. Actions/Decisions: • The SSP will contact SODA for a multi-agency review of Demand and Resourcing in Suffolk.
5.	Serious Violence Duty - overview of the new duty and Q&A opportunity A presentation and overview explaining the Serious Violence Duty and the impact it will have in Suffolk was presented to the Board. The slides from the presentation are available to review here: https://www.beautiful.ai/player/-NEoQ5kGs3NGRjkWVmBD
	It was asked when looking at the subject of 'criminal exploitation', does Suffolk Police 'connect' with the Special Educational Needs (SEND) Board at SCC? A particularly vulnerable group from amongst our CYP communities. This point will be looked at offline. Action/Decisions: • The point raised above regarding police membership of the SEND Accountability Board will be considered outside of the meeting.
6.	Child Exploitation - the Suffolk picture The data on criminal exploitation hotspots in Suffolk was presented to the Board.
7.	Safeguarding in Suffolk Explained Report This report was shared with the Board. Actions/Decisions: • Comments on this report are to be sent directly to the SSP.
8.	CYP Suicide Action Plan Progress Update
	AN update on the suicide prevention plan was given to the Board, previously circulated by email.
	It was reported that parents need education to understand how some of the behaviors are normal for teenagers and young people.
	In adults and children's the SSP has had cases from people who have died by suicide. The SSP are part of the Suicide Prevention Steering Group and lessons from these cases are fed in through this route.
9.	 Keeping it fresh - what gives our membership the most value from board meetings? The details for the Menti Poll were circulated to the Board and it is required that Board Members complete this before the next meeting. Actions/Decisions: The results of the Menti Poll will be collated and used to inform the planning for future Board meetings.
10.	Children with Complex Needs Colleagues from across SNEE came together in Spring 2022 to work together on how we could help support these young people, the CYP Crisis working group worked at pace to build and agree a protocol for the whole system to support young people in crisis. The work runs in addition to other programmes, many of which aim to support admission avoidance and improving mental health and wellbeing for individuals before they escalate to a place of crisis.

Item Description This protocol aims to set out the systems, process and accountability across the health and social care system and VCSE sector for the support of children and young people, their families, and carers in crisis. It has been built and updated with input from colleagues across the system. Any Other Business 9. Any Other Business September Board - Proposal for in person Meeting at Castle Hill Community Centre, Ipswich - All Board members agreed with the proposal to hold the next Board Meeting face to face in Ipswich. SBarb explained that we are aiming to have service user attendance at this meeting. SSPs Annual Practitioners Conference - The agenda for this conference is now being finalised

following a consultation with front-line staff about the line up. This event will be advertised for bookings in the next few weeks. The conference will be held on 14 September 2023 and will be a hybrid

conference, in person at Kesgrave Community Centre and virtual.