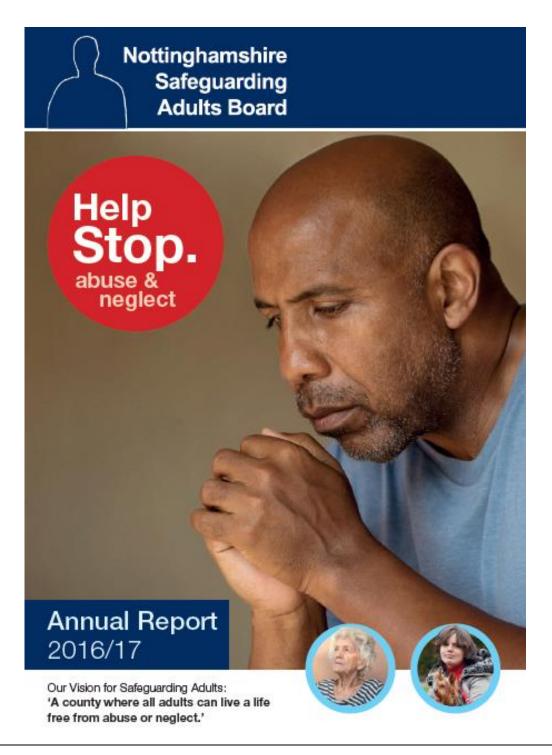


This easy read document tells you about the:



Nottinghamshire Safeguarding Adults Board Annual Report





What is the Nottinghamshire Safeguarding Adults Board?



The Board is a group of people responsible for keeping people safe in Nottinghamshire and they meet 4 times a year.



The group includes people like social workers, police officers and nurses.



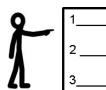
It is the board's job to protect people in Nottinghamshire from abuse or neglect.

When abuse or neglect happens, we work together to stop it happening.



Some people will be able to read this report on their own.

If you need support to understand this report ask the people who support you to help.



What does the board think is important?



The board has 3 priorities. Priorities are the thing that are most important and these are:



1 Prevention-this means stopping things happening in the first place.

The board has plans that aim to stop abuse and neglect in Nottinghamshire.





2 Assurance-making sure that people and organisation have things in place to keep people safe.



3 Making Safeguarding Personal-making sure that the person is at the centre of what we do and is able to say what they would like to happen.



What has the board done?





Here are some of the things we have been doing around our 3 priorities:





Assurances

Making sure people and organisations understand what they need to do to keep people safe in Nottinghamshire



To do this we have:



• Met with lots of different groups of people including the police and crime commissioner.



 Met with Council Members to help them understand safeguarding in Nottinghamshire.



 Brought together people who use services to help us update our information leaflets that explain what safeguarding is and what to do if something needs reporting.



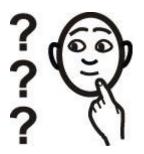
Done a safeguarding awareness survey.



 Had a service user on TV telling people about their experience of going through safeguarding process.



 Been sending out information and news by email to staff and organisations.



 Checked the information we get so we know which people are most at risk.



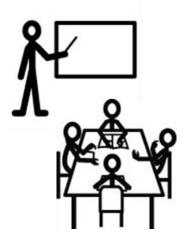
 Given organisations extra support where there needs to be improvements.



 Used a tool called the learning pathway to find out where there are gaps in learning.



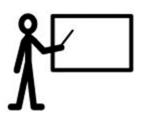
 Supported organisations to agree what they need to do to include the pathway in their work.



 Started a trainers forum group who meet every 4 months.



 Reviewed organisations on their staff skills around safeguarding and this is assessed every 2 years.



 A training scheme to make sure that training is at the right level and includes Making Safeguarding Personal.



 A trainers Forum who support the people who run learning events to become 'Champions' at understanding safeguarding and supporting good practice



Making Safeguarding Personal

This is about making sure that the person is at the centre of what we do and making sure they are able to say what they would like to happen.



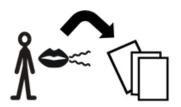
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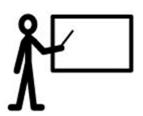
 Told people about Making Safeguarding Personal



 Asked partners and care providers to work in a person led way



 Launched the Referral Pathway that tells services and staff responsible for referrals what they need to do.



• Started training people how to refer making sure they think about how important it is to get the person's views.



 Launched the Trainers Forum for people responsible for the Safeguarding Adults training in their organisation.



Prevention

The board will develop plans that aim to stop abuse and neglect in Nottinghamshire.



To do this we have:



 Finished the work on the Transitions Pathway, this should improve what happens for young people moving from children's services to adult services.



 Written 'fact sheets' that tell people about the different kinds of abuse and what happens when a referral is made.



There are easy read fact sheets of this information at:

www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/abusetypes



 Given out information to help make sure people are aware of adult abuse.



 Made posters, leaflets and information screens in public buildings. People who use services have helped us do this.



• Put this information in GP surgeries, libraries, and day services.



 Launched an e-bulletin which is a newsletter emailed to service providers giving them information about what is happening locally and across the country.



How to report abuse

- If you have been abused
- If you know someone who has been abused



Report it to Nottinghamshire County Council.



Phone: 0300 500 80 80



You can also report it to someone you trust such as the police, a doctor, family member or social worker.



In an emergency you should contact the right emergency service:

- Police
- Ambulance
- Fire and rescue service

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Phone 999



For more information about how to report abuse and neglect and what happens when you do, please go to the website at:

http://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/care/safeguarding/mash



We might need to tell other people or organisations. Before we do this we will ask you for permission and explain why we need to do this.



We will work with the person affected to find out what they want to happen.



Remember you can change your mind about what you want to happen.

Tell the people who are supporting you what you want to happen.