



# Nottinghamshire Safeguarding Adults Board

## Strategic Plan

**2018 – 2021**

**(Year Two Priorities – 2019-20)**

### *Introduction*

This is the second Strategic Plan from the Nottinghamshire Safeguarding Adults Board (NSAB). In the first, I opened the introduction by stating that “I am personally committed to working towards the vision of the Nottinghamshire Safeguarding Adults Board (NSAB) which is:

***‘A county where all adults can live a life free from abuse or neglect.’***

Our aim is to do this by working in partnership with the citizens of Nottinghamshire, along with statutory and non-statutory agencies, to deliver a joined-up service to those adults at most risk of abuse and neglect, across the county. We will do this by ensuring all partners work together and hold them to account, via Board members, where necessary.”

I remain committed to this approach and wanted to reiterate these thoughts in this plan. We have already made significant progress but there is still much more that we can do.

We have developed the Board in line with the Care Act 2014 and its statutory guidance, and although we achieved the majority of the measures and targets we set ourselves, we will continue to develop our safeguarding approaches to ensure that we achieve our priorities around prevention, making safeguarding personal and assurance.

This strategic plan puts service users and their carers at the heart of what we do. We will not only listen, but we will ensure citizens will have a real voice and are fully involved in all aspects of our safeguarding work. By doing so, it demonstrates our commitment to work with service users and carers at both a strategic and operational level.

In the next two years, the Safeguarding Adults Board will continue to achieve its statutory obligations by reviewing this strategic plan annually, publishing an annual report and conducting any safeguarding adults reviews in accordance with section 44 of the Care Act (2014)

The rest of this strategic plan outlines our work over the remaining two years, detailing what we will achieve to safeguard adults at risk, across Nottinghamshire.

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## *Principles*

The work of Nottinghamshire Safeguarding Adults Board is underpinned by the six safeguarding principles as defined in the Care Act (2014):

**Empowerment** – Nottinghamshire citizens will be supported and encouraged to make their own decisions through informed consent.

**Prevention** – In Nottinghamshire we believe it is better to take action before harm occurs.

**Proportionality** – To safeguard the citizens of Nottinghamshire we will take the least intrusive response appropriate to the risk.

**Protection** – We will support and ensure representation for those in greatest need in Nottinghamshire.

**Partnership** – Solutions will come from agencies and citizens working together across Nottinghamshire, all having a part to play in preventing, detecting and reporting neglect and abuse.

**Accountability** – The work of the Board will be transparent and accountable to the citizens of Nottinghamshire.

## *Our strategic aims for 2018 – 2021*

NSAB, in consultation with its wider partnership, service users and their carers, the Safer Nottinghamshire Board and Healthwatch, have agreed the following three strategic aims to enable it to achieve its vision.

These are:

- **Prevention**  
NSAB will develop and implement preventative strategies that seek to reduce incidence of abuse and neglect within Nottinghamshire.
- **Making Safeguarding Personal (MSP)**  
NSAB will develop and embed an approach to its work that is person led. We will also support partners to develop processes which are person led, that mean they engage the adult (or their representative) in a conversation about how best to respond to individual safeguarding concerns.
- **Assurance**  
NSAB will develop and implement systems to assure itself that it and all partners have appropriate arrangements in place to safeguard those adults most at risk in Nottinghamshire.

## *Implementation and Governance Arrangements*

This strategic plan will be reviewed annually. An annual action plan will detail the key actions required to deliver the strategic plan, in line with our priorities for 2018-2019 listed below. The Board's sub groups will help us deliver the strategic plan and ensure citizens and partners can contribute to this.

### *What we will do in year two*

#### **Prevention**

##### **Implement a Prevention Strategy**

1. We will implement the NSAB Prevention strategy with an action plan detailing how this will be achieved, as well developing management information which will allow us to measure it's impact and success.

#### **Making Safeguarding Personal**

##### **Service User Engagement with Board**

1. We will continue to develop approaches to the Board's work which will enable service users to support and influence its work.

##### **Service User feedback**

1. We will work with partners to embed Making Safeguarding Personal into their practices so that this is both meaningful for the individual and achievable for the organisation.

#### **Assurance**

##### **Board Assurance**

1. We will ensure that the Board continues to be effective and complies with current legislation and best practice.
2. We will continue to develop our approaches to ensure that organisations are supported to undertake their safeguarding responsibilities in line with best practise and learning.

##### **Partner Assurance**

1. We will seek partner assurance regarding their internal safeguarding practises using the Partner Assurance Tool (PAT), agreed in year one.
2. We will support partners who identify areas of development following completion of the PAT.

## **Safeguarding Practice Assurance**

1. We will continue to implement a multi-agency audit process, building on the local authority's quality assurance framework.

### *How we will measure our success*

Individual action plans will be developed by the Board's Quality Assurance, Learning & Development and Communications sub groups respectively. Action plans will be linked to the priorities listed in the 'what we will do in year two' section of this strategic plan and updates will be provided as part of sub group reports at each Board meeting.

Task and finish groups will be set up as required.