



Rotherham Safeguarding Adults Board

Newsletter

Edition: JULY 2024

Welcome

Welcome to the first edition of the Rotherham Safeguarding Adults Board (RSAB) newsletter. The newsletter will be published on a quarterly basis to keep the workforce across the partnership informed of developments.

The RSAB are dedicated to protecting adults with care and support needs from abuse and neglect. Our objective is clear, to ensure that local safeguarding arrangements and partnerships are effective in protecting adults at risk of or who are experiencing neglect and abuse. To achieve this, we must ensure that everyone works to safeguard vulnerable adults in our community.



If there is something you would like to see featured in any future editions, please let us know.

Getting in touch...

Website: www.rsab.org.uk

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SAFEGUARDING PERFORMANCE

During 2023-2024...

- 3,963 Contacts recorded where a safeguarding risk was indicated.
- 1,659 of those progressed to concern/initial enquiries. This is where enquires are made to ensure the person is safe or if further work is required.
- 588 went onto enquiry, this is where the work is undertaken to make the person or situation safe.



TOP 3 TYPES OF ABUSE

Neglect

Physical

Physiological



If you wish to have a copy of the report, please email rsab@rotherham.gov.uk

RSAB: Key Messages



At the July 2024 RSAB meeting the recommendations for safeguarding adults' boards received a ministerial recommendation letter. The recommendations proposed:

- A governance structure, accountability, and system wide change.
- A named board member for rough sleeping.
- Strategic plans, annual reports, and procedures reference
- Safeguarding Adult Reviews to commission cases of deaths involving rough sleepers.

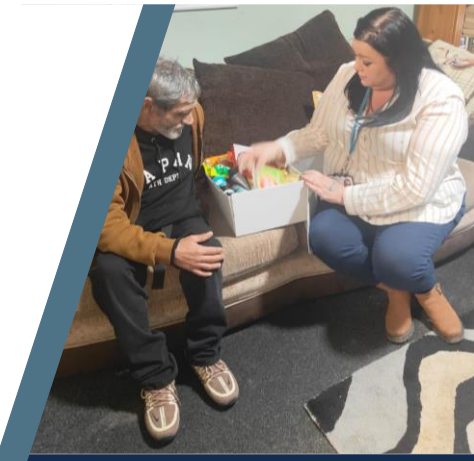
Both Helen Caulfield-Browne and Michael Lord attended the meeting in which they presented the Temporary Accommodation Placement Policy and discussed Rough Sleepers in Rotherham. Please refer to the presentation below for key information and facts.



Introduction to Homelessness and the proposed Temporary Accommodation Placement Policy

Rotherham Safeguarding Adult Board
4th July 2024

Helen Caulfield-Browne, Housing Options
Operational Manager



If you wish to have a copy of the presentation, please email rsab@rotherham.gov.uk



me, you, us
safeguarding is everyone's responsibility



Safeguarding Partner Updates

- Rotherham Council
- The Rotherham NHS Foundation Trust
- Rotherham, Doncaster and South Humber NHS Trust
- NHS South Yorkshire Integrated Care Board
- South Yorkshire Police
- South Yorkshire Fire and Rescue
- Healthwatch Rotherham

Rotherham Council: Adult Social Care

Adult Social Care have worked with the RSAB to develop a Thresholds Document, it will be used across Rotherham to support professionals, partners, and providers to decide on whether to report a safeguarding concern for an adult with care and support needs. It also helps differentiate between quality issues and safeguarding and provides alternative actions that can be considered.

We have now held 3 CMARAC-VARM-VAP development sessions, we have a revised terms of reference, referral criteria, and process map for each meeting. A report is in progress and aiming to be with the RSAB in September.

The Council is continuing to work in partnership with all statutory partners regarding safeguarding and caused enquiries.

Adult Social Care is also planning to implement an organisational safeguarding module in September 2024 and we will provide further details shortly.



The Rotherham
NHS Foundation Trust

The Rotherham NHS Foundation Trust (TRFT)

The Adult Safeguarding Team have been nominated for a TRFT Proud award in the category of 'The Clinical Team of the Year'

Work is continuing to embed the new safeguarding referral process. The form as now been embedded on our electronic clinical record. Initial feedback from staff has been positive and the TRFT team are seeing better quality referrals due to the improvements and guidance included in the referral form.

The Think Family safeguarding training provided to TRFT staff as part of their MAST training has been updated; utilising a local safeguarding adult review (SAR) as one of the case studies to further embed learning. This will go live in July 2024.



South Yorkshire
Integrated Care Board



NHS South Yorkshire Integrated Care Board (ICB)

The ICB teams continue to work closely with partner agencies across the Rotherham Partnership and within the Rotherham Safeguarding Adults Board (RSAB). Work is continuing across the ICB to develop and deliver approaches to Safeguarding policies, systems, and processes across our four Places across South Yorkshire.

Working in a consistent way with increased resilience, and reduction in variation across South Yorkshire, are key elements to the ongoing Safeguarding work across the ICB currently as we continue to develop our operational working models, with a focus on ensuring Place partnership, support, and leadership is maintained and wherever possible strengthened.

South Yorkshire Police



Anti-Social Behaviour Enforcement

The team have secured several Criminal Behaviour Orders (CBO) and are currently working towards others which will amount to a current total of 13 CBO's bearing conditions designed to address the offending behaviour and rehabilitate the most prolific offenders across the borough.

The partnership is working on or towards 4 civil injunctions, 2 Closure Orders, 12 Community Protection Notices (CPN's) and more than 30 Community Protection Warnings (CPNW). All these tools are at our disposal are utilised to address offending behaviour and improve the lives of the wider community of Rotherham.

Vulnerability

The partnership is working together currently to review and ensure that the adult vulnerability pathway and its respective meeting structures are offering the best possible service to those most vulnerable within the Rotherham community. More to follow as the review progresses.

Hate Crime

Our hate crime coordinator has delivered hate crime awareness sessions in some local schools and hate crime training to police communications staff and police students in the month of April with the focus on providing the best quality service possible to victims of hate crime.

Specialist Engagement

Our specialist engagement officer has delivered 38 engagement sessions/inputs since the end of March across the communities of Rotherham to promote relations with South Yorkshire Police. He has worked closely and in conjunction with a wide range of organisations including REMA, Shiloh, Local Mosques, and Schools. New and innovative workstreams around the Prevent, Protect, and Prepare agendas.



Rotherham, Doncaster and South Humber (RDaSH)

RDaSH continue to work in partnership to support the priorities of the RSAB with staff from our safeguarding team having lead roles within the sub-groups of the Board

We have taken the learning from National and Local Domestic Homicide Reviews and the expectations laid out in the Domestic Abuse Act to secure funding for a dedicated Domestic Abuse and Multi-agency Risk Assessment Conference (MARAC) lead within the Trust. This is an exciting opportunity to strengthen the safeguarding structure within the Trust and to enhance our offer to the partnership.

We have recently finalised our safeguarding annual report which will be available for the public and professionals to access via our intranet page: <https://www.rdash.nhs.uk/your-care/safeguarding/>



RSAB Training

The [Rotherham Safeguarding Adults Board \(RSAB\) prospectus](#) is now available for download on the RSAB website.

This prospectus offers a core training programme designed to equip the workforce with essential knowledge, skills, and behaviours necessary to safeguard adults from abuse and neglect.

The following documents are now available for viewing:

1. [Rotherham SAB Training Calendar \(Course Date Order\)](#)
2. [Rotherham SAB Training Calendar \(Course Order\)](#)



**South Yorkshire
FIRE & RESCUE**



South Yorkshire Fire and Rescue

Safer South Yorkshire Referral Scheme (SSYRS)

Why should my organisation become a SSY referrer?
The SSYRS is a secure and convenient way for all partners to effectively make referrals into South Yorkshire Fire & Rescue.

As a partner you will receive

- Free Home Fire Safety Awareness Training
- A secure referral pathway and individual partner codes
- A free home fire safety visit for your most vulnerable service users

If SYF&R can assist, please contact our partnership team on safe&well@syfire.gov.uk.

You can also express your interest by scanning the QR code →



Healthwatch Rotherham

Healthwatch Rotherham is your local health and social care champion. We are here to support people of all ages and backgrounds living in Rotherham and help amplify the voices of those who aren't always heard by services. If you use GPs, hospitals, dentists, pharmacies, care homes, home carers or other support services, we want to hear about your experiences.

The more people share their ideas, experiences, and concerns about NHS and social care, the more services can understand what works, what doesn't and what people want from care in the future.

If it matters to you, it's likely it matters to someone else too. We want to hear your views. Get in touch and share your story.