



## Welcome to the Derbyshire Safeguarding Children Board (DSCB) newsletter.

### June 2015

We'll update all staff and volunteers working with children and young people about key information from our board meetings, every three months.

The board co-ordinates and monitors the effectiveness of safeguarding work of agencies and bodies involved in protecting children and young people across Derbyshire.

Each board meeting includes updates of sub-group activity, such as serious case reviews, CSE and policies and procedures, and a presentation by a Locality Planning and Commissioning Partnership regarding their work linked to DSCB priorities.

Other safeguarding issues affecting the county are discussed by all multi-agency partners, and the latest performance report is scrutinised.

The last Board meeting was 19 June 2015, agenda items included:

### Child Sexual Exploitation (CSE) update

DSCB/DCC is actively promoting the CSE e learning to all partners, access is via membership to the CSE National Working Group, see the DSCB website for how to complete (link below).

[http://www.derbyshirescb.org.uk/prof\\_cse.html](http://www.derbyshirescb.org.uk/prof_cse.html)

The e learning includes information on CSE, risk indicators and trafficking. **All staff are asked to complete this.**

The new Child Protection Manager for vulnerable young people (including CSE) is now in post; Julie Oldknow attended the June Board as part of her induction [julie.oldknow@derbyshire.gov.uk](mailto:julie.oldknow@derbyshire.gov.uk)

### Serious Case Reviews (SCRs) update

The Serious Incident Learning Review SILR14B relating to the death of a young person after a drugs overdose has concluded and the final report was presented by the reviewer Dr Field.

Recommendations include promotion and understanding of thresholds, the requirement for awareness raising of drugs issues for professionals/parents/young people, promoting Early Help processes and guidance to be issued regarding referral criteria to CAMHS.

Progress has already commenced relating to recommendations made in this SILR and the report will be shared with significant family members.

The SCR pages of the DSCB website are currently being updated, for queries regarding these or any other SCR processes please contact the Board team 01629 532181.

Updated DSCB resources to publicise learning from SCR/SILRs 2013-2014 were distributed to Members and will be widely shared across the partnership in the coming weeks. Look out for the DSCB branded posters and leaflets.

## Reports round-up and date of next meeting

Adele Gladman's **Independent Audit into Derbyshire responses to CSE** was presented to the Board. Adele is an experienced Child Protection Consultant and her findings regarding Derbyshire agencies and their work relating to CSE were largely positive. A number of recommendations were agreed and have been added to the DSCB CSE action plan. The Executive Summary will be available on the DSCB website asap (for further information please contact the Board team or your DSCB agency rep)

**Early Help:** An update was provided by DCC Assistant Director Jane Brooks of the current position regarding Early Help including numbers completed and by which agency. A further update will be provided in the near future.

**Performance:** A standing agenda item is scrutiny of the DSCB performance report. An increase in care proceedings was flagged for further enquiry at the next Board.

## PREVENT

Officers from Community Safety provided a briefing on PREVENT and the statutory duties of Partners relating to counter-terrorism and radicalisation. See below for useful training and information links. PREVENT training links

- [http://www.saferderbyshire.gov.uk/training-and-resources/courses-and-bookings/counter\\_terrorism/default.asp](http://www.saferderbyshire.gov.uk/training-and-resources/courses-and-bookings/counter_terrorism/default.asp)
- [http://course.ncalt.com/Channel\\_General\\_Awareness/01/index.html](http://course.ncalt.com/Channel_General_Awareness/01/index.html)

### Information Links

- <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/counter-terrorism-strategy-contest>
- <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/prevent-duty-guidance>
- <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/channel-guidance>
- <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/prevent-strategy-2011>

Contact Details: Seamus Carroll is the lead officer for Prevent at Derbyshire County Council [seamus.carroll@derbyshire.gov.uk](mailto:seamus.carroll@derbyshire.gov.uk) or telephone 01629 538494

## Health and Wellbeing Board Update:

David Lowe, DCC Strategic Director, Health and Communities provided an update on the links between the Health and Wellbeing Board and DSCB, and discussion took place as to how these could be strengthened including sharing of similar priorities.

At the June Board it was the turn of the **Erewash Locality Planning and Commissioning Partnership** to report their progress against the DSCB priorities. A reminder of the priorities is below, but for further information of the work in the Erewash locality contact [smruti.mehta@derbyshire.gov.uk](mailto:smruti.mehta@derbyshire.gov.uk)

DSCB Priorities focus on:

Ensuring the effectiveness of the board is outstanding and the safety and wellbeing of children and young people in Derbyshire is the priority

- CSE and e-safety
- Children and young people affected by parental substance misuse
- Children and young people misusing substances (including legal highs)
- Emotional well-being of children and young people (including self-harm and suicide)

- Children and young people affected by domestic violence

## **The next DSCB meeting is 18 September 2015**

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