



Business Plan Summary
April 2023-26

The Knowsley Safeguarding Adults Board (KSAB) started in June 2021 after the Merseyside Safeguarding Adults Board disbanded and moved to local arrangements. The KSAB meets on a quarterly basis, 9 meetings held between June 2021 and March 2023, (including 2 Development days).

Safeguarding Adults Boards have specific duties as set out in Schedule 2 of the Care Act (2014). Core duties are to:

- Produce Annual Reports
- Develop Strategic/Business Plans
- Facilitate and share learning from Safeguarding Adults Reviews

The Board is made up of 3 statutory partners:

- Knowsley Council
- NHS Cheshire and Merseyside
- Merseyside Police

and other key organisations. A full list of Board members can be found on [KSAB website](#).

KSAB has overall responsibility for co-coordinating safeguarding adult matters and ensuring that partner agencies carry out safeguarding adult's work so adults live safely & free from abuse or neglect in their homes & community.



The [KSAB three year Strategic Plan](#) sets out:

- Our vision
- Our aims and objectives to achieve our vision
- How we will work towards out plan for 2023-24



The **vision** of the Safeguarding Adults Board is that all Knowsley residents live free from violence, abuse, neglect and exploitation and have their rights protected.



Aim 1: Stop abuse or neglect wherever possible. prevent harm and reduce the risk of abuse or neglect to adults with care and support needs.



Aim 2: Safeguard adults in a way that supports them in making choices and having control about how they want to live.

Develop, review, refresh Multi-agency Safeguarding Adults Policy, Procedures and Practice Guidelines and ensure that all agencies providing or commissioning services to adults in Knowsley are given opportunity to sign up to and implement them

Ensure there is a robust multi-agency training strategy in place which is monitored by the Board. The strategy should include the promotion of various levels of training commensurate with safeguarding roles; an effective safeguarding service which incorporates principles of personalisation and prevention is dependent upon a well-trained, competent, motivated workforce.

To work within a multi-agency Information Sharing Agreement agreed between all partners

Ensure that Safeguarding and quality are central to the commissioning process so that adults in need of care, support or treatment receive good quality, safe services in which they are treated with dignity and respect.

Have an overview of safeguarding activity across partner agencies and to ensure there are integrated systems to support safeguarding work across Knowsley.



Develop strategies to deal with the impact of issues of race, ethnicity, religion, gender, gender orientation, sexual orientation, age, disadvantage and disability by abuse and neglect.

To direct the work of the subgroups and to scrutinise and monitor that work to ensure compliance with its statutory obligations and delivery of the Strategic Plan.

Scrutinise the work of partner agencies and hold them to account. It is important that Board partners can challenge each other and other organisations where there is a concern that safeguarding responsibilities are not being fulfilled

Ensure that systems are in place to learn and share lessons from national and local experience and research to improve practice across all services.



Making KSAB business fit for purpose.

Learning and evaluating from experiences.

Ongoing assurances that the work of the KSAB is having a positive effect to safeguarding Knowsley residents.

You can read the full business plan on the [KSAB website](#)