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DUDLEY HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD

Agenda Item no. 9

| DATE | 1st December 2022 |
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| TITLE OF REPORT | Dudley Safeguarding Adults Annual Report |
| Organisation and Author | Dudley Safeguarding people Partnership (DSPP) Sam Anderson, Safeguarding Partnership Business Manager |
| Purpose | To advise the Board of the adult safeguarding arrangements and achievements in Dudley across the partnership during 2021-22. |
| Background | The Health and Adult Social Care Scrutiny committee considered the annual report on November 14 th 2022 as presented by the Dr Paul Kingston, Independent Chair for the DSPP. There is also a requirement to share this report with the Health and Wellbeing Board. |
| Key Points | The report covers the work that the partners in Dudley have done collectively to safeguard adults at risk and with care and support needs. It covers the statutory duties required of the Safeguarding Adults Board including presenting our data, financial contributions and any Safeguarding Adult Reviews which have been published. The report also covers the three priority areas of focus for that year and how partners have worked together to show progress in these areas. For the reporting period, the report looks at exploitation, neglect and preventing harm across the life course. |
| Emerging issues for discussion | There is a key issue of self neglect which features in both the type of referrals received by adult social care and people who people to health services. Furthermore Self Neglect is also a common theme in Safeguarding Adult Reviews. The DSPP has commissioned a thematic review into self neglect as well as revising its self neglect policy and produced a tool kit. With the cost of living crisis, the is an area that is likely to remain a safeguarding concern. |



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| Key asks of the Board/wider system | The HWBB are asked to note the contents of the report . |
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| Contribution to H&WBB key goals: • Healthy weight • Reducing loneliness & isolation • Reducing impact of poverty | The priorities areas of self neglect and exploitation and work associated with this, contribute to reducing loneliness and isolation |
| Contribution to Dudley Vision 2030 | |

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