# **Calderdale Safeguarding Adult Board**

Strategic Plan 2021-2024



#### **Foreword**

It gives me very great pleasure to share with you this refreshed Strategic Plan, developed by the members of organisations who make up Calderdale Safeguarding Adults Board as well as community representatives across Calderdale.

Safeguarding people who may be at risk of harm or vulnerable to exploitation is not just the responsibility of the few but is everyone's business. However, to effectively resolve the most complex cases, to prevent the greatest harm we need to work together, across agencies, across disciplines and in partnership with our communities. Rising to the challenge of a global pandemic has demonstrated just this; that agencies need to pull together and communities need to mobilise their support if we are to be 'kind and resilient', 'able to recover from setbacks and full of hope'.

The Calderdale Safeguarding Adults Board is well established and works hard to ensure all the relevant people and organisations cooperate to prevent abuse and respond quickly when it does happen.

The Board's core purpose is to protect those adults at risk as defined in legislation and guidance. However, we have a broader role in promoting the wider understanding that safeguarding is a responsibility for everyone. This means as well as having oversight of swift and effective responses to claims of abuse, the Board's priority is to promote an environment where abuse is prevented.

To be effective there must be common understanding, agreed ways of working and a plan. This strategy sets out the plan for the next three years. It builds on the previous three year strategy, what we learned in carrying it out, what people have told us, changes in legislation, policy and practice, along with learning from our regional colleagues and national research and development.

Our strategic plan builds on the excellent work previously undertaken and sets out the vision and priorities for future work. We intend to review the plan annually to ensure a programme of continuous development.

Marianne Huison Independent Chair Calderdale Safeguarding Adult Board

### **Calderdale Safeguarding Adult Board Strategic Plan**

#### Vision 2024

Our Vision for Calderdale in 2024 is for a place where you can realise your potential whoever you are, whether your voice has been heard or unheard in the past.

We aspire to be a place where talent and enterprise can thrive.

A place defined by our innate kindness and resilience, by how our people care for each other, are able to recover from setbacks and are full of hope.

Calderdale will stand out, be known and be distinctive.

A great place to visit, but most importantly, a place to live a larger life.

#### **Our Vision**

The Vision for the Calderdale Safeguarding Adults Board (CSAB) is for the Borough of Calderdale to be **kind and resilient**; a safe place to live for all its citizens, regardless of their circumstances. We want to hear **the voices that were unheard** in the past and ensure all Citizens of Calderdale, irrespective of age, race, gender, religion, disability or sexual orientation live in a community that protects their rights and freedoms and allows them to live **a 'larger life'**, free from abuse and neglect, and the fear of abuse and neglect. We want all our Citizens to **realise their potential** and live a life **full of hope**.

#### **Our Strategic Objectives**

- 1. **Realise Potential**: CSAB is assured that adults are empowered and engaged with safeguarding processes in line with the 6 safeguarding principles. (Empowerment, Prevention, Proportionality, Protection, Partnership, Accountability)
- 2. **Kind and Resilient**: CSAB is assured that services are supporting the recovery from Covid-19 in relation to safeguarding people.
- 3. **Voices are heard**: CSAB gains assurance that adults are supported with timely and proportionate responses to concerns of neglect or abuse.
- 4. **Living a larger life**: CSAB provides strategic leadership, initiates effective joint working practices and gains assurance of the effectiveness of partners' safeguarding arrangements.
- 5. **Full of Hope**: CSAB creates a learning culture which consistently improves outcomes for adults at risk.

To make this vision a reality it is essential that agencies work together to:

- Prevent harm and reduce the risk of abuse or neglect to adults
- Ensure that they safeguard adults in a way that supports them in making choices and having control about how they want to live
- Proactively take steps to stop abuse or neglect
- Learn from good practice and Safeguarding Adults Reviews
- Ensure there is common understanding and belief of what to do when abuse happens embedding the principles of 'Making Safeguarding Personal'
- Ensure they have a competent and able workforce
- Raise public awareness recognising the valuable role that local communities can play in prevention and early intervention
- Engaging with and being responsive to the needs of all stakeholders, including adults at risk, carers, service providers and the wider community, is essential to promote the CSAB vision.

#### A Safeguarding Adults Board (SAB) is a partnership of key agencies

In Calderdale, these include, but are not limited to:

- Adult Services & Wellbeing
- West Yorkshire Police
- Public Health
- Calderdale Clinical Commissioning Group
- Calderdale and Huddersfield Foundation Trust
- Health Watch Calderdale
- Voluntary Infrastructure Support
- Community Safety Partnership
- National Probation Service
- Community Rehabilitation Company
- Age UK
- Fire Service
- Housing Associations
- NHS England
- South West Yorkshire Partnership Foundation Trust
- Department for Work & Pensions

#### Calderdale Safeguarding Adults Board approach to safeguarding adults

The CSAB contributes to how adults are safeguarded in Calderdale through:

- Providing strategic leadership to embed the principles of safeguarding and contribute to the prevention of abuse and neglect.
- Ensuring robust mechanisms and appropriate seniority of people representing their agency are in place so that partners are held to account for their safeguarding practice.
- Developing arrangements with other Boards to be responsive and adapt to emerging safeguarding themes.
- Ensuring key partners across all sectors, including homecare, residential and nursing care homes, and housing providers are engaged with safeguarding messages and learning.
- Monitor risk and impact when statutory or voluntary services are changed.
- Apply qualitative, quantitative, and independent scrutiny methods to seek assurance of how adults in Calderdale are safeguarded.
- Supporting the workforce to be equipped to safeguard adults appropriately and proportionately where abuse or neglect is suspected.
- Creating networks to build stronger links with the community and enable the voice of local people to be heard in relation to safeguarding.
- Ensure learning from reviews is effectively embedded into practice, and to facilitate organisational change across agencies.
- To ensure a culture of openness and transparency is adopted, to promote learning and celebrate success around safeguarding.
- To ensure clear and transparent annual budget plans are in place for all SAB activities.

#### **Business Planning processes**

The CSAB updates the Business Plan annually to ensure it is in line with strategic objectives and that it reflects progress made.

## **Calderdale Safeguarding Adult Board Structure** Governance and Quality Assurance Making Every Adult Matter Calderdale Group Strategic Group (Calderdale) Safeguarding Adult Health & Wellbeing Board Board Community Safety Partnership Domestic Abuse Strategic Group **CSAB Business Group** Safeguarding Children Partnership **Scrutiny Panels** Learning & Performance & Quality Safeguarding Adults Communication & Improvement Assurance Engagement Review (Joint with children's partnership) Networks and User **SAR Panels** Groups



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