Safeguarding Adults Executive Board

SAEB News Bulletin Autumn 2022

The Safeguarding Adults Executive Board (SAEB) are responsible for overseeing and leading on the protection and promotion of an adult's right to live an independent life, in safety, free from abuse and neglect across the Bi-borough of Kensington, Chelsea & Westminster.



A warm welcome to you all from the Safeguarding Adults Executive Board Independent Chair, Aileen Buckton.

This Autumn update is packed full of updates, resources and advice & guidance from the world of Safeguarding. The Board and its subgroups have been incredibly busy over the summer months with our Safeguarding Adult reviews, 7-minute briefings and organising our Autumn programme of events. I really appreciate how hard everyone continues to work

to identify, respond and report safeguarding issues. Partners have continued to support the work of the Community Engagement group. This has ensured that prevention and raising awareness of safeguarding has remained a key priority throughout the year.

In October we launch our **SAEB Learning Programme** which is open to all practitioners working across the Bi-borough. The first series of sessions focus on Safeguarding Adults Reviews (SARs). Our Safeguarding Ambassadors continue to support residents across the Bi-borough and this month in response to the economic crisis are launching a series of webinars to raise awareness of 'How to Stay Safe from Loan Sharks'. Risks for residents are very real given the cost of living is high for the foreseeable future and they may resort to borrowing from loan sharks. I would also like to urge everyone to remain alert to increased risks from scams as local and national statistics demonstrate that fraud is the most commonly experienced crime in the UK and cybercrime poses a very real and present danger to everyone. Our Ambassadors have created a **Top Ten Tips on Cyber Crime video** which you can watch <u>here</u>

This month we welcomed Michael Clarke, London Fire Brigade (LFB) Borough Commander, Kensington & Chelsea as the new Co-Chair of our Community Engagement Group. Michael has quickly settled into his role and is delivering sessions with residents on the '**Importance of Home Fire Safety visits'.** Great work is continuing to take place in our communities and it is clear to me that, despite challenges, safeguarding remains 'business as usual' across the Bi-borough.

If you are concerned that an adult may be at risk of abuse, harm or neglect from either themselves, an individual or an organisation, please contact one of the helplines detailed below.

Westminster Safeguarding helpline: 020 7641 2176

E: adultsocialcare@westminster.gov.uk

Kensington & Chelsea Safeguarding helpline 020 7361 3013

E: socialservices@rbkc.gov.uk

Glenda Joseph, Safeguarding Ambassador



This year Glenda shared her story about her journey from Service User to Safeguarding Ambassador and to becoming a voice to influence safeguarding for London. This video is scheduled to be shared at various local and National Events during Safeguarding Awareness week 2022. Her video is honest, heartfelt and very inspirational – please click <u>here</u> to view.

SAEB Events 2022

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	The SAEB Learning Programme
SAEB	The Board are launching a programme of FREE online multi-agency Lunch & Learn workshops that are open to all practitioners working across the Bi-borough. The first series focuses on Safeguarding Adult Reviews.
	Please register via links below:
	<u>4th October 2022 at 12:00 – 13:00</u>
	<u>5th October 2022 at 12:00 – 13:00</u>
	7 th October 2022 at 12:00 – 13:00
LOAN SHARKS DON'T BE VICTIM! CON'T USE LAAN BHARKS - THE LENDING MAS NO ENDING	SAEB Safeguarding Ambassadors are launching a series of FREE raising awareness webinars to ' Stop Loan Sharks' The first session takes place on 27.09.22 at 14:00 - 15:30 To register click <u>here</u>
#WeStandTogether Tackling hate crime Tackling hate crime DAL 10 or report hit.org.uk	Hate Crime week 10th—14th October 2022
	The SAEB Hate Crime Advocator Programme Training Launches during Hate Crime Week in October 2022. The First Training session delivered by Community Safety Partnerships & The Metropolitan Police will place on 11th October at 14:00—15:30.
	To register your interest please email: makingsafeguardingpersonal@rbkc.gov.uk
Safeguarding Adults Week 2022 21-27 Nevember	Safeguarding Adults Week takes place 21st—25th November 2022 This year's exciting virtual programme includes:
	Transitional Safeguarding
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adult social services	Supporting people with Mental Health
	Safeguarding Autism and Suicide
	Plus more! For more info email: makingsafeguardingpersonal@rbkc.gov.uk
	The SAEB Holistic Approach to Hoarding Event takes place on
	3rd November 2022 to share best practice and raise awareness of support services:
	De-cluttering
	Advocacy
	Support for residents facing Eviction
	Environmental Health awareness and support for residents
	To register your interest please email: makingsafeguardingpersonal@rbkc.gov.uk

FREE SUICIDE ALERTNESS & AWARENESS TRAINING



Please Scan QR codes on FLYERS to SIGN UP



Every Life Matters

are pleased to be able to be working with Kensington, Chelsea and Westminster Public Health to offer a series fully funded on-line suicide prevention training courses.

For more information and book your place CLICK HERE

Who is the session for?

This 3.5 hour online training session is aimed at anyone who wants to understand more about suicide, how to know when someone may be having thoughts of suicide, how to talk directly and comfortably about suicide, and what we can all do to offer practical support. Please note the 1 hour awareness training below is included.



Suicide

Awareness

This one hour online training session is aimed at anyone in the local community who wants to understand more about suicide and what we can all do to make a Difference.

The Interview Room



From the frontline - Five minutes with

Michael Clarke, Kensington & Chelsea Borough Commander & Co-Chair of the Community Engagement Group

What has it been like on the frontline this year? Its been challenging both in trying to embed myself in the borough and dealing with one of the busiest periods for the London Fire Brigade in recent times. Nationally, we have seen an increase in fire deaths that fortunately has not been reflected in the Bi-borough, but we are not complacent to the rising trend and that is why our main focus is to promote the importance of home fire safety visits.

What are you looking forward to this year?

I am looking forward to increasing public awareness about the 'Importance of Home Fire Safety Visits' and I want to be fully engaged with the people at the centre of the communities we serve. How does a home Fire Safety take place? Firefighters or trained staff will visit the home and offer advice based on individual needs, this includes information on how to Prevent fires, the importance of smoke alarms to Detect a fire and having Escape plans in the event of a fire. They will also fit smoke alarms if required.

Are there any key messages you would like to share?

With winter approaching and with the current economic crisis we are greatly concerned that people may resort to using innovative ways to heat and light their homes, leading to increased risk of fires. We are always available to support and advise residents and please click the link below to book your home fire safety visit.

To book a Home Fire Safety CLICK HERE

To watch the SAEB Home Fire Safety video CLICK HERE

NATIONAL HEADLINES

World Suicide Prevention Day

To mark World Suicide Prevention Day this month The Samaritans Launched a Tool Kit available <u>here</u>

Thousands of households can claim emergency cost of living worth up to £1,000 to help pay for spiralling energy bills. Councils across the country are launching urgent support packages of their own alongside the <u>Household Support Fund</u> to help hard-up residents.

Thank you to all those involved for sharing their stories and special thanks to our Safeguarding Ambassadors that remain dedicated to raising awareness of important safeguarding topics.

To ensure that we keep up to date with all our safeguarding activities, we would love to continue to hear from you!

Please send your news, updates and comments to share in upcoming bulletins to:

makinsafegaurdingpersonal@rbkc.gov.uk

The SAEB Team