

# TSAB Newsletter

## November 2022



## News from TSAB

Since our last newsletter, TSAB has met virtually on 27 September and 18 October 2022. Minutes are published on the [TSAB Website](#) retrospectively following sign-off at the next meeting.

Agenda highlights included:

- Discussion and sign off of the TSAB Annual Report 2021-22 (more details below)
- Overview from the Board's Performance and Quality Sub-Group on the End of Year TSAB Performance Report & Q1 2022/23 Performance Report
- An update on the TSAB Strategic Plan monitoring framework and TSAB Sub-Groups
- Assurance on recent CQC Inspections

## What's New from TSAB

Since our August 2022 Newsletter we have published:

- The [TSAB Annual Report 2021-22](#) along with a glossary of terms.

### Introducing the Report our Independent Chair, Darren Best said:

“During 2021-22 the Board has continued to work closely with both statutory and voluntary sector partners to gain the reassurance that safeguarding issues are addressed effectively and appropriately. Our strategy has been developed and underpinned by the six safeguarding principles of empowerment, prevention, protection, partnership, proportionality and accountability. The report details some of our activities under those important headings “.

Please share the Annual Report across your networks.



Teesside Safeguarding Adults Board  
**Annual Report**

1 April 2021 to 31 March 2022

Our safeguarding arrangements will effectively prevent and respond to adult abuse

We have also published:

- The [Martin Learning Briefing](#). Martin was 64 years old, who had a diagnosis of autism and a learning disability. His physical health deteriorated and he was diagnosed with a benign brain tumour in 2020. Martin had lived in a supported living setting, however following a hospital admission was discharged into a residential care setting. Martin was admitted to hospital and sadly passed away in February 2021 due to aspiration pneumonia.

- The briefing covers a number of key themes including:

- ✓ Communication with service users and family
- ✓ Professional curiosity
- ✓ Discharge arrangements
- ✓ Mental Capacity Assessments

**LEARNING BRIEFING** | Learning Lessons Review Martin

**1 Background**  
Martin was a 64 year old man who had a diagnosis of autism and a learning disability. His physical health deteriorated in 2020 as he was diagnosed with a benign brain tumor. Martin had lived in a supported living setting, supported by services across health and social care, however following a hospital admission in October 2020 Martin was then placed in a residential care setting. Martin was admitted to hospital from the care home in January 2021 and sadly passed away in February 2021 due to aspiration pneumonia.

Martin was one of 5 siblings and was supported by his brother and sister who raised concerns regarding the care provided to him prior to his death. This resulted in a safeguarding enquiry which was followed by a Learning Lessons Review (LLR). The LLR was completed by an independent reviewer on behalf of the Teesside Safeguarding Adults Board. This briefing has been created to share the key aspects of learning that have been identified.

- A [Providers and Supported Living Learning Briefing](#) focusing on MCA assessments and Best Interest decisions following recommendations made from the Stephen Learning Lessons Review (LLR).

## What's New from TSAB continued ...

### TSAB Annual Consultation Survey 2022-23

#### WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

We want to hear from professionals, service users and the general public across Tees. Your views will help us to inform the Board's future safeguarding priorities across the next 12 months.

**Please click on the links below to access the most relevant survey:**

[Professionals](#)

[General Public](#)

[General Public Easy Read](#)



## Good News Story from Thirteen Group

### Thirteen develops interactive safeguarding training for colleagues



Housing provider, Thirteen Group, have recently trained over 400 customer facing colleagues in safeguarding, through an innovative and interactive module, proudly supported by the Teeswide Safeguarding Adults Board (TSAB).

Developed by colleagues within Thirteen, the safeguarding training was created to support team members in identifying and recording safeguarding concerns when working with vulnerable customers.

Colleagues visited an empty property where safeguarding scenarios had been created.

Colleagues were tasked with working together to identify the signs of abuse in the scenarios and to consider the actions they would take to reduce the risks posed. They also received information about the signs of abuse, with resources from TSAB to further develop their understanding.

John Rafferty, safeguarding & inclusion business partner at Thirteen said:

“This training is really important to us at Thirteen. We all have a role to play in safeguarding.

The theme for this year's national safeguarding adults week is about responding to contemporary safeguarding challenges. We made sure our training covered key themes of the week, this way our training is up to date for our colleagues, helping them to support customers who need it most”.



## Local / National News

### Stay, Safe and Warm Scheme

#### Cleveland Fire Brigade Stay Safe and Warm Scheme

is completely free and open to anyone living in Cleveland; no age restrictions apply. The scheme offers access to borrow heaters and other equipment as required (following a free home assessment). So whether it's a short-term issue, such as a boiler breakdown or an ongoing heating issue, they are available to help.

Do you know someone who is **STRUGGLING** to **STAY WARM** in their home?

Our award winning Stay Safe and Warm scheme can help - it is a completely **FREE** service for Cleveland residents

Stay Safe & Warm!

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Following a free home assessment. You must live in Cleveland. Outside of office hours assessment may be prioritised by criteria.

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## National Safeguarding Adults Week

Safeguarding Adults Week is a time for organisations to come together to raise awareness of important safeguarding issues. The aim is to highlight key safeguarding issues, facilitate conversations and to raise awareness of safeguarding best practice.

**The theme for Safeguarding Adults Week 2022 is:**

**‘Responding to Contemporary Safeguarding Challenges’.**

Each day of the week we will focus on a different safeguarding theme to explore how we can respond to contemporary safeguarding challenges.



**Monday 21 November**— Sexual Exploitation, Modern Slavery & County Lines

**Tuesday 22 November**—Self-Neglect

**Wednesday 23 November**—Creating Safer Organisational Cultures

**Thursday 24 November**—Elder Abuse

**Friday 25 November**—Domestic Abuse in Tech-Society

**Saturday (26) & Sunday (27)** - Safeguarding in Every Day Life

To support each of the themes we have published a number of new documents which include:

- ✓ [County Lines Learning Briefing](#)
- ✓ [Sexual Abuse and Exploitation Leaflet – Vietnamese](#)
- ✓ [Safeguarding Adults Leaflet – Vietnamese](#)
- ✓ [Teeswide Domestic Abuse and Honour Based Abuse Leaflet](#)
- ✓ [Self-Neglect Poster](#) and [Predatory Marriage Poster](#)

TSAB has developed a detailed plan of activity including recommended social media posts to ensure consistent key messages. For more information and to find our detailed resource pack please visit our webpage: [National Safeguarding Adults Week 2022](#) or visit [Ann Craft Trust](#) who are coordinating activity nationally.

### Do you work in a Health or Care Setting?

As part of NSAW we are encouraging our colleagues in health and care settings and TSAB Safeguarding Champions to deliver our [Creating Safer Cultures PowerPoint Presentation](#) within their organisation. The presentation includes information on closed cultures, organisational abuse, a case study for group discussion, how to create a safer culture and learning from Safeguarding Adult Reviews.

If you haven't had chance to read it yet our Special Edition [Creating Safer Cultures Newsletter](#) is still available to read.



# Training and E-Learning

## Did you know .....

Across Tees approximately **12,000** users are now registered on the [E-Learning site](#). A full list of courses available can be found by visiting our [E-Learning Course Directory](#).

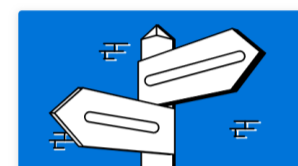
In line with Safeguarding Adults Week we would like to highlight the following courses:

### Criminal Exploitation and County Lines

Criminal exploitation is a huge issue that involves people all over the world. It's a very real problem, and is extremely difficult and dangerous for victims of exploitation to get help. We all play a role in our community to look out for exploitation, and understanding criminal exploitation, including county lines, is crucial. This course will help you to become more aware of criminal exploitation and its different forms, and to understand what signs to look out for and how to respond.

#### Criminal Exploitation and County Lines

Exploitation can occur in many different forms in every corner of the world. It can involve anyone, regardless of their age, location, or background. We all have a duty to look out for those in our community, and after completing this course you will have an awareness of criminal exploitation which can help you to identify where it might be occurring. Select a topic below to start.



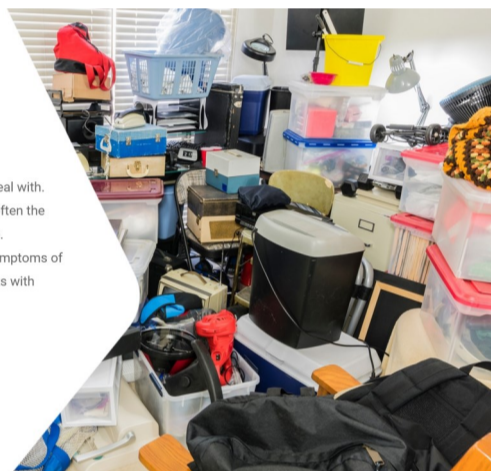
### Self-Neglect & SARs

#### Self-neglect

Self-neglect can be a difficult issue to spot and deal with. It leads to a lack of self-care and wellbeing, and often the individual doesn't recognise that there is an issue. This course will help you to spot the signs and symptoms of self-neglect which is crucial for anyone who works with vulnerable adults.

Start

How it works



Self-neglect can be difficult to recognise, it can be complex and it can also be difficult to know how to help. It's important to know the signs and symptoms of self-neglect and hoarding, and how to respond. You will also understand how sometimes these cases can lead to serious harm or even death and result in a Safeguarding Adult Review. You will be taken through a SAR example case to help with your learning around self-neglect.

### Human Trafficking and Modern Day Slavery

Discover what modern-day slavery and human trafficking looks like, with this comprehensive collection of courses. You will also learn about child trafficking and slavery, how to spot the signs of modern slavery and what you should do.

### Trauma Informed Practice

How much we understand trauma and the impact it has on individuals can have a massive effect on the service we're able to provide. Trauma informed practice allows service users to feel more supported and understood by those providing care, helping them to heal. This course will ensure you have the knowledge you need to move towards becoming trauma informed



## Training Resources

The Board has a variety of [Safeguarding Explainer](#) videos linked to different topics about Safeguarding. Have you seen our new **Report a Safeguarding Concern—Contact Details Video**? The North East SAR Champions have also published a [What to do about Self Neglect animation](#).



## TSAB Training Courses Winter 2022–23

Request your place via the TSAB Website:

<https://www.tsab.org.uk/events-key-dates/>



Training Courses December 2022 – March 2023		
Legal Literacy – Session 1	<p><b>The Legal Basis of Adult Safeguarding Interventions:</b></p> <p>Refreshing and ensuring a secure foundation for legal literacy in Safeguarding Adults.</p>	<p><b>Format:</b> 1 x 2hr webinar session</p> <p><b>Course Date:</b> 28th November 2022</p>
Legal Literacy – Session 2	<p><b>Making Legally Literate Decisions in Safeguarding Adults:</b></p> <p>A step by step guide to how to make legally literate decisions in the context of Safeguarding Adults work.</p>	<p><b>Format:</b> 1 x 2hr webinar session</p> <p><b>Course Date:</b> 1st December 2022</p>
Legal Literacy – Session 3	<p><b>Safeguarding Options Around the Adult at Risk:</b></p> <p>Refresher and update on potential lawful options for Safeguarding adults at risk.</p>	<p><b>Format:</b> 1 x 2hr webinar session</p> <p><b>Course Date:</b> 6th December 2022</p>
Legal Literacy – Session 4	<p><b>Safeguarding Options Around Alleged Perpetrators:</b></p> <p>Refresher and update on potential lawful options for Safeguarding adults via actions towards persons alleged to have caused harm.</p>	<p><b>Format:</b> 1 x 2hr webinar session</p> <p><b>Course Date:</b> 7th December 2022</p>
Legal Literacy – Session 5	<p><b>Multi-Agency Working in Safeguarding Adults:</b></p> <p>Refresher and development of legal literacy around multi-agency working in the Safeguarding Adults context.</p>	<p><b>Format:</b> 1 x 2hr webinar session</p> <p><b>Course Date:</b> 8th December 2022</p>

<p><b>Legal Literacy – Session 6</b></p>	<p>Aftercare Under S.117 Mental Health Act:</p> <p>To support staff in understanding s.117 responsibilities.</p>	<p><b>Format:</b> 1 x 2hr webinar session</p> <p><b>Course Date:</b> 15th December 2022</p>
<p><b>Adult Sexual &amp; Criminal Exploitation</b></p>	<p>The course is aimed at adult social care staff and multi-agency workers. It will help delegates understand what Adult Sexual and Adult Criminal Exploitation is, how vulnerable adults are targeted and multi-agency practice and responsibilities</p>	<p><b>Format:</b> 1 x Full Day webinar session</p> <p><b>Course Dates:</b> 18<sup>th</sup> January 2023</p>
<p><b>Making Safeguarding Personal</b></p>	<p>The course aims to equip practitioners and managers who work with adults at risk with the knowledge, skills and confidence, to ensure that all Safeguarding interventions are person centred, and include the person (or their advocate) in identifying and achieving their desired outcome.</p>	<p><b>Format:</b> 2 x Half day webinar sessions</p> <p><b>Course Dates:</b> 12<sup>th</sup> &amp; 19<sup>th</sup> January 2023</p>
<p><b>Safeguarding Adults Training for Managers of Services - Refresher</b></p>	<p>To refresh registered managers knowledge of how to fulfil their responsibilities to safeguard adults.</p> <p><b>Please note that this is a refresher course which is designed for delegates that have already completed the full Safeguarding Adults Training for Managers of Services course previously.</b></p>	<p><b>Format:</b> 1 x Full day webinar session</p> <p><b>Course Date:</b> Monday 6th February 2023</p>
<p><b>Safeguarding &amp; Self-Neglect</b></p>	<p>The course aims to increase knowledge about Self-neglect, the impact that it can have on an individual and to increase understanding and confidence in the use of Local Risk Management policies.</p>	<p><b>Format:</b> 2 x Half day webinar sessions</p> <p><b>Course Dates:</b> 16<sup>th</sup> &amp; 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2023</p>

## Dates for the Diary

- ✓ National Safeguarding Adults Week, 21 – 27 November
- ✓ Carer's Rights Day - 24 November
- ✓ White Ribbon Day & 16 Days of Activism to End Violence Against Women, 25 November
- ✓ National Human Trafficking Awareness Day - 11 January
- ✓ TSAB 'Spotlight on' Trauma'—6-12 February



## TSAB Safeguarding Champions



Thank you to all those individuals who have signed up to be a Safeguarding Champion, we are still looking to engage with key groups such as: Banks, GPs / Pharmacies, Leisure and Hospitality, Carers / Service User Support groups and Transport services. If you know anyone who may be interested in signing up, please ask them to contact: [tsab.businessunit@stockton.gov.uk](mailto:tsab.businessunit@stockton.gov.uk)

## Safeguarding Children Partnerships Information

The Local Safeguarding Children Partnerships newsletters can be accessed here;

[Hartlepool & Stockton-On-Tees Safeguarding Children Partnership Newsletter](#)

[South Tees Safeguarding Children Partnership Newsletter](#)

## Social Media and Website



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[www.tsab.org.uk](http://www.tsab.org.uk)

## Find Support in Your Area

The Board's website also sets out relevant [support services](#) by type of abuse and by each individual Borough across Tees. If you think someone with care and support needs is neglecting themselves you can contact your [Local Authority](#) or for hoarding matters your Environmental Health Office for advice.

This list is not intended to be a definitive source of Information for all Service Providers.



## Your Comments

If you have any suggestions for future Newsletters:

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