



## Safer Plymouth

Meeting Date

20 October 2020

Report from Chair of

Safer People

SECTION A	
<b>Chair Name and Contact:</b>  <b>Dates of meetings since last Full Board</b>  <b>Executive Summary/ Key Issues only<sup>1</sup></b>	Tracey Watkinson Safeguarding Business Manager Plymouth Safeguarding Children Partnership Tracey.Watkinson@plymouth.gov.uk
	26/08/2020
	Quality Assurance <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• PSCP senior lead oversight and scrutiny has secured a SMART project implementation plan for the Plymouth Adolescent Safety Framework.</li> <li>• Liaison with Devon Children &amp; Family Partnership to benefit from their evaluation of implementation and impact.</li> <li>• PSCP Quality Assurance Framework and Work plan identifies extra familial risk as third cycle of quality assurance activity (June 2021).</li> <li>• Data reporting, data and analysis</li> <li>• CE Screening Tool</li> </ul>
	Partnership Co-ordination <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Safer People link into Modern Day Slavery partnership</li> <li>• Extended membership of Safer People to improve multi-agency engagement and participation.</li> <li>• Operation Lavender – CSE – Hotels and B&amp;Bs</li> <li>• Dangerous Drug Networks &amp; County Lines – Alter Ego production.</li> </ul>
Systems Leadership	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Work upon Children and Young People Strategic Governance continues</li> <li>• Ten Wishes – revisit and enhance to address COVID-19 and the current lived experience of our children and young people.</li> <li>• Collaboration and engagement upon Strategic Assessment of Threat/Risk Harm profile for 2020.</li> </ul>

<sup>1</sup>Please see Priorities below for further detail

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• HSB Audit NSPCC/PSCP.</li> </ul>
	Statutory Governance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Terms of Reference concluded and agreed.</li> </ul>
	Trauma Informed System Development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Safer People to seek appropriate engagement from Lived Experience Group of Trauma Informed Network.</li> <li>• NWG Presentation on Trauma Informed Practice and Contextual Safeguarding.</li> <li>• Victim blaming and shame multi-agency awareness raising. (JTAI).</li> </ul>

## SECTION B


**What is working well?**

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- Safer People Group met again on 28 August 2020 with increased participation which promoted informed discussion upon the key themes of work for the group, i.e.:
  - Extra-Familial Framework
  - Modern Day Slavery
  - Exploitation of vulnerable adults
  - Understanding and responding to mental ill health inequalities. This extends reach into experienced professionals, agencies and provides benefit of knowledge and organic intelligence.
- Focus upon modern slavery has substantially improved with link into the Modern Slavery Partnership. A draft Modern Day Slavery strategy for Plymouth is currently out for consultation with Safer People and Modern Day Slavery Partnership.
- Operation Lavender evidences proactive partnership working. This was a test purchase type operation to gather information and raise awareness of CSE within hospitality by Devon & Cornwall Police. Response by hotel staff (80%/12 did not challenge) to spot potential warning signs of CSE, indicates a need for education and training. Education and training is being prepared for delivery by both Children Society and Plymouth Safeguarding Children Partnership.
- Plympton Schools have commissioned Alter-Ego to deliver their County Lines production. This will be supported by the presence and availability of both Safer People and Plymouth Safeguarding Children Partnership and supports prevent and protect models re, dangerous drug networks and county lines. Drug misuse has been a concern for these Schools within the Operational Missing and Child Exploitation Group.
- A bid has been made by the Plymouth Safeguarding Children Group to Research in Practice (Tackling Child Exploitation) for support within its Adolescent Safety Framework, with a focus upon virtual expansion to adapt child exploitation services/support for young people over the age of 18.
- Improved join-up across strategic landscape within Plymouth on key themes, promoting dialogue and engagement and reducing duplication.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The NSPCC/PSCP Harmful Sexual Behaviour Audit was extended to enable a greater agency over the COVID-19 period. Validation panel due to meet in October.</li> </ul>
<p><b>What are we worried about?</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continued multi-agency leadership engagement to provide effective engagement and challenge to secure timely development and vertical expansion of the Adolescent Safety Framework.</li> <li>• Continued concern re. data reporting, intelligence and narrative. Concern that without effective data availability and analysis work, the group could operate within a silo and fail to provide a full systemic picture and intelligence which could inform our approach and services for children and young people, and adults with care and support and needs.</li> <li>• Consistent and qualitative use of CE Screening Tool to promote professional judgment on lived experience of the child and risk presented (JTAI)</li> <li>• Referrals to and use of SARC; further analysis and investigation required.</li> <li>• Cyber Crime and Vulnerability does not address the increased incidents of fraud within the city; particularly arising from Covid-19 scams etc. The Fraud and Cyber Group remains as a network, rather than physical group, with interaction managed virtually.</li> </ul>
<p><b>What needs to happen?</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continued drive, strategic direction and accountability of multi-agencies to implement, deliver, roll out and embed Adolescent Safety Framework with multi-agency practice.</li> <li>• Subject to outcome of Research in Practice Bid to actively engage within research into and implementation of bespoke models of support for the Adolescent Safety Framework, with particular focus upon expansion to over 18's.</li> <li>• Strategic consideration and decision making on provision of data analyst support to inform partnership understanding, intelligence and quality assurance of key themes.</li> <li>• Evaluation and data check on SARC referrals and engagement. (subject to above bullet on data analysis expertise).</li> <li>• Cross-partnership working group to evaluate current 'fit' and effectiveness of multi-agency use and impact.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Identify Group Impact upon:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Reducing violence, abuse and exploitation</b></li> <li>• <b>Reducing re-offending</b></li> <li>• <b>Early intervention and prevention of harm</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Draft Modern Day Slavery strategy will support raising awareness and implementation of training etc. and should promote collegiate working to reduce, protect and prevent this abuse and exploitation.</li> <li>• Operation Lavender and ongoing support, training and quality assurance will build resilience within the hotel and bed and breakfast community within Plymouth.</li> <li>• Alter-Ego production again supports awareness and early intervention and prevention of harm regarding dangerous drug networks and county lines, in schools where concerns have been evidenced.</li> <li>• NWG presentation on contextual safeguarding with trauma informed lens has promoted reputation and response of Safer</li> </ul>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Building community resilience, reducing inequalities and improving lives</b></li> </ul>	<p>Plymouth and Plymouth Safeguarding Children Partnership nationally and approaches from other agencies and research groups can help to enhance our approach on reducing violence and exploitation.</p>
<p><b>Formal recommendation to/action required of Full Board.</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continued drive, strategic direction and accountability of multi-agencies to implement, deliver, roll out and embed Adolescent Safety Framework with multi-agency practice.</li> <li>• Subject to outcome of Research in Practice Bid to actively engage within research into and implementation of bespoke models of support for the Adolescent Safety Framework, with particular focus upon expansion to over 18's.</li> <li>• Strategic consideration and decision making on provision of data analyst support to inform partnership understanding, intelligence and quality assurance of key themes</li> <li>• Consider Safer Plymouth partnership response/campaign re COVID-19 related scams; particularly in light of potential local or national response to COVID-19 crisis during winter months.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Suggested work engagement with Trauma Informed Plymouth Network</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Consultation and participation within project management plan and implementation of Adolescent Safety Framework – co-design.</li> <li>• Lived experience engagement as part of Safer People Group.</li> <li>• Potential engagement with NWG Annual Conference</li> <li>• Provision of trauma informed practice training to strategic leads within Safer People and Plymouth Safeguarding Children Partnership.</li> </ul>

Name of Group Chair	Tracey Watkinson
Signature of Group Chair	
Date Signed	09/10/2020

