

P&C COVID-19 EMERGENCY PLANNING HIGHLIGHT REPORT

SERVICE AREA:	Safeguarding Partnership Boards
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KEY ACTIVITY HEADLINES

We have continued to develop our dedicated Covid 19 and safeguarding web page on our website. As new information/ guidance has come out we have ensured that the page is updated to reflect this. The page continues to contain lots of information and resources for professionals and the public on safeguarding issues including, scamming, online safety, DA, MH, Talking to children about Covid 19.

We have also continued to develop safeguarding leaflets, posters and guidance for community volunteers. This information has been shared with District Councils and voluntary organisations. The information is available on our website (Covid page) to download.

The webpage has been available since 31st March, on the 8th April we had received 2,978 visits to the page. By the 23rd April this figure has risen to 11,336 visits.

We have also continued with our social media campaign around safeguarding and Covid messages. As of 8th April we had reached 6,740 people on Twitter and 3,065 on Facebook. By the 23rd April these figures had risen to 19,033 on Twitter and 21,062 on Facebook. The social media campaign will continue over the coming weeks.

The Safeguarding Partnership Board is now a member of both the local and countywide Covid 19 communications meetings. This is ensuring a consistency of messages and a joined up approach.

All multi agency safeguarding training has stopped as it is direct delivery and we have been exploring ways that we can deliver the training virtually via the website. The first course which is on "*adult safeguarding and online safety during the Covid 19 outbreak*" is now freely available to access on our website. We are currently working on three more courses, children online safety, adult safeguarding and children's safeguarding. These will be available by the w/c 4th May 2020.

Mapping of Child Criminal Exploitation (CCE) continues to take place in Wisbech and Cambs City. The CCE lead in the business unit is working closely with DC's and CSP's to ensure that they are kept up to date with the latest information around how CCE is evolving as a result of social distancing. We have also developed an Interim CCE delivery plan that addresses the evolving risks emerging in CCE. The CCE strategic group is meeting virtually to discuss the plan and action arising from it on the 29th April.

The countywide Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence Strategic Group is meeting virtually on 29th April. This multi agency partnership meeting will consider the domestic abuse and sexual violence risks that are currently occurring and how the risk can be mitigated.

RISKS / CHALLENGES (AND MITIGATION)

No current risks or challenges

WORKFORCE UPDATE

I have one member of the Service off sick as a result of Covid 19. The remainder of the service is stable and morale remains high

FINANCIAL IMPACT (increase in costs / reduction in income)

none

RECOVERY ACTIVITY (plans being considered / future steps)

we are currently looking at how we can to reduce meetings when things get back to normal and make use of virtual meetings where possible

COMMUNICATIONS

We are sending out numerous daily communications to partners and via social media around safeguarding issues