

# Joint Safeguarding Board Monthly News

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Hello and welcome to our first monthly joint board newsletter!

Each month we will reflect on the amazing work across the partnerships and look at what is ahead. We want to share events, workshops, training and policy development.

If you would like us to display anything important relevant to your agency, exciting events or something worth celebrating, please get in touch by emailing

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## Outstanding Practice #proud

Each month we want to highlight outstanding safeguarding practice that is happening across the partnerships, if you are proud of something you or your team have done or something you have seen, let us know and we will share what you are #proud of!

As a team, we are proud of the '**RED FLAGS**' abuse film created by Doncaster Youth Council. You can see the full film [here](#) and a 60-second version [here](#).

## GCP2 updates

As many of you will be aware, we are at the early stages of implementing GCP2 in Doncaster. This is a great opportunity for all those working with children and families to acknowledge positives and areas of improvements when it comes to neglect. We have had our initial meetings this month and are looking at who we need to target when we roll out training. We will continue to update you as we head through the implementation process.



## Upcoming Events

In April, we had our **DSCP Practitioner Conference**, which was a positive and well-attended event. Thank you to all who attended and to our wonderful speakers throughout the day. Keep your eyes peeled for a similar event for our DSAB practitioners in July!

## Community Events

We would love to continue our great partnership working and display any events going on within your communities. Whether this be designed at professionals or community members. Please drop us an email with any relevant information!

## Safeguarding Business Unit: Meet the team!

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### **Susie Harris-Hughes – Interim Manager Joint Safeguarding Board Unit**

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Hi, I'm Susie and joined the SBU as Interim Manager in August 2021 and really enjoying my time here. The role of the SBU Manager is to promote and lead the safeguarding partnership for children and adults. To enhance effective multi-agency safeguarding services and practice for children/young people/adults and families across the communities within the borough of Doncaster. Managing the functions, day to day operations and development of the unit and engaging with strategic leaders and staff across the partnerships is pivotal to promoting multi-agency work and therefore providing professional complex support, advice and guidance is crucial.

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### **Angelique Choppin – Safeguarding Children Deputy Manager**

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My role as Safeguarding Deputy Manager for Children is to support the partnership to implement their responsibilities outlined in Working Together 2018. This includes commissioning and overseeing Safeguarding Reviews, disseminating learning to improve practice across the multi-agency partnership. This might include developing of policies and procedures, commissioning of training or offering professional advice to support practitioners in their roles. All of this is done in partnership with multi-agencies and the children and families we aim to serve.

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### **Shabnum Amin – Safeguarding Adults Deputy Manager**

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As Adults Safeguarding Deputy Manager, I work collectively with the DSAB partners and organisations to ensure that policy and practice follow the statutory guidance from the Care Act 2014 to provide safeguarding services to adults. Within my role, I oversee Safeguarding Adults Reviews and share the learning from these and co-ordinate multi-agency training. I also work with in partnership with organisations to hold the Annual Community Keeping Safe Event and co-ordinate activity for Safeguarding Week.

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### **Katie Field - Safeguarding Development Officer**

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Hi, I'm Katie! Prior to starting this role, I had worked primarily with children from the ages of 4-16 in education, across both mainstream and SEND provision, over the course of 10 years. I am now supporting the joint business unit with Emily. My main focus is supporting my team, planning community and partnership events, developing training, supporting implementation of GCP2 and the contributing to the development of policy!

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### **Emily McCartney– Safeguarding Development Officer**

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Hi, I'm Emily! Before joining the team, I supported vulnerable adults in a frontline and strategic capacity, whilst studying Psychology, but now work collaboratively across both partnerships. I support in the planning of events and conferences, planning and supporting the delivery of training, GCP2 implementation and supporting with policies and procedures.

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### Marianne Perkins – Safeguarding Support Officer

Hi, I'm Marianne! I am responsible for the planning of the DSCP and DSAB Joint Board meetings plus the DSCP subgroups. I collate and disseminate the agendas and papers and I also take the minutes at these meetings. I also deal with the multi-agency training, assisting the trainers to upload their training courses to Buy Doncaster and issuing the attendance certificates and feedback forms. Plus all general enquiries and correspondence to the unit via telephone and its various email inboxes, diary management, ad hoc meetings and any other support requirements of the team.



### Niall Werrett-Garfitt – Safeguarding Support Officer

Hi, I am Niall Werrett-Garfitt, one of the Safeguarding Support Officer on for the Board Support Unit. I plan the DSAB Board meetings as well as for multiple DSAB and DSCP Sub Groups by organising the meetings with Safeguarding Partners, sending out the agendas and taking minutes for these meetings. I also help to prepare the Directions Panel and Community MARAC meetings with external partners. I assist with managing training on the Buy Doncaster system for Children's as well as the Doncaster Learning Pool for adults, creating training courses and in the adults system creating accounts for external users such as RDaSH partners to access the safeguarding training. You can also find me answering general enquiries for adults either via phone, or e-mails to our main DSAB inbox. You may also hear from me in relation to events around Doncaster such as the Annual Safeguarding Weeks and Keeping Safe Events, which I also help to organise. Keep an eye out for an e-mail regarding the upcoming Safeguarding Adults Conference coming up in the Summer!

### Exciting opportunities:

We have [two posts available in our team](#). Please see below and if you require more information contact [angelique.choppin@doncaster.gov.uk](mailto:angelique.choppin@doncaster.gov.uk) or [shabnum.amin@doncaster.gov.uk](mailto:shabnum.amin@doncaster.gov.uk).

#### Safeguarding Support Officer:

**Based at:** Civic Office

**Salary details:** Grade 6 £20,305-£20,843

**Contract type:** Full time, 37 hours, permanent

**Closing date:** 24<sup>th</sup> May 2022

#### Safeguarding Development Officer:

**Based at:** Civic Office

**Salary details:** Grade 8 £27,522-£31,099

**Contract type:** Full time, 37 hours, temporary 2 years

**Closing date:** 8<sup>th</sup> May 2022

Please find further details on [Council jobs - Doncaster Council](#)

## Key updates

### Adults updates:

#### Self-neglect policy:

Over the last few months, we have been collaboratively working across our partnership to review and develop the Self Neglect policy. We continue to learn from SARs and strive to keep our policies and procedures updated and valid. Partners would like the policy to help improve the support offered to adults. The policy is due to be presented to DSAB for approval and plan to launch this policy in the summer with additional training. Supporting adults who Self Neglect can often be complex and the DSAB hope the new strategy will help to develop a better response to such an important and current issue. It was also the main theme of the Community Keeping Safe Event that took place on 16th March 2022 where we heard from Professor Michael Preston-Shoot and local organisations.

#### DSAB Practitioners Conference:

Following the success of our DSCP Practitioners conference, we have started planning for our DSAB Practitioners conference, which will take place virtually on Wednesday 13th July 2022. We will shortly be sending out confirmation of how to book a place, so for now, please keep this date in your diary! We would encourage all those working with vulnerable adults and families to join us.

### Children's updates:

#### Doncaster children and young people's plan:

Please take time to visit [CYPP-2022 - Updated - A4 \(canva.com\)](https://www.canva.com/CYPP-2022-Updated-A4/) and read the Doncaster Children and Young People's Plan 2022/2025!

#### Neglect Strategy:

We launched our neglect strategy at our DSCP Practitioners Conference on 20<sup>th</sup> April 2022. You can find this [here](#).

#### Child exploitation training:

As part of the new Doncaster Child Exploitation strategy, the DSCP is requesting that all organisations book onto the Child Exploitation



## Meetings in May:

**10.05.22** MASH Steering Group 13:00 - 15:00

**12.05.22** Workforce Development Subgroup 10:00 - 12:00

**12.05.22** Early Intervention Steering Group 14:00 - 15:30

**16.05.22** Domestic abuse strategic board 13:00 - 15:00

**18.05.22** CE strategic subgroup 13:00 - 15:00

**15.05.22** Review and learning subgroup 14:00 - 16:00

**23.05.22** Quality & Performance 15:00 - 16:30

**26.05.22** Learning, Quality & Improvement 14:00 - 16:00

**\*All dates and times correct at the point of dissemination\***

## National events:

**Time for a cuppa week**  
01.05.22 - 07.05.22

**World maternal mental health day** 05.05.22

**Mental health awareness week** 10.05.22 - 15.05.22

**National children's day**  
16.05.22

**Learning at work week**  
17.05.22 - 22.05.22

**International missing children's day** 25.05.22

Awareness training by 31<sup>st</sup> December 2022. To book on visit [Training & Events | Buy Doncaster](#).

#### Dangerous dogs guidance:

After undertaking a recent Local Safeguarding Practice Review, we have reviewed and updated our dangerous dogs guidance and would like to bring this to your attention. This can be found [here](#).

#### Joint updates:

#### Dispute resolution procedures:

We would like to bring your attention, the dispute resolution procedure. You can find the links for these below:

Adults resolving professional differences procedure can be found [here](#).

Children's resolving professional differences protocol can be found [here](#).

#### Domestic abuse:

Please also take time to look at the Domestic abuse plan, which can be found [here](#).

#### Keeping safe forum:

Our Keeping Safe Forum, run by Healthwatch, will be taking place on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> May. The Forum is a space for both adults and children to understand safeguarding and how it can impact them as well as what support is provided. It allows them to voice their opinions and ask questions in a less formal setting that takes into account access for people with care and support needs such as access to a BSL interpreter. This is a monthly forum, with guest speakers and attendees from the community. We have a good representation from the Safeguarding Business Unit, but it would be great to see more of our colleagues in attendance to bridge the gap between us and our community. For more information, please email [Sandra.hodson@healthwatchdoncaster.org.uk](mailto:Sandra.hodson@healthwatchdoncaster.org.uk).

## May's training calendar:

### Children's:

To book onto any of the below courses please visit <https://buy.doncaster.gov.uk/> and register an account.

<b>Training</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Venue</b>
<b>Introduction to early help and thresholds for intervention</b>	03.05.22	18:30-20:30	MS Teams
	12.05.22	09:30-11:30	MS Teams
	18.05.22	13:30-15:30	MS Teams
<b>Doncaster Multi-Agency Threshold Guidance and Levels of Need</b>	11.05.22	12:30-14:00	MS Teams
	11.05.22	18:15-19:45	MS Teams
<b>Early Help Outcomes and Plans and Closures</b>	05.05.22	09:30-12:30	MS Teams
<b>LADO Training</b>	24.05.22	10:00-12:30	MS Teams
<b>Introduction To Early Help Experienced</b>	19.05.22	09:30-11:30	MS Teams
<b>Early Help Supervision</b>	04.05.22	13:30-16:30	MS Teams
<b>Parent Carer Needs Assessment</b>	19.05.22	10:30-12:30	MS Teams
<b>Neglect With Early Help</b>	26.05.22	09:30-12:30	MS Teams
<b>Early Help Assessment – Mosaic</b>	17.05.22	09:30-12:30	MS Teams
<b>Building, Repairing and Restoring Relationships – Introduction to restorative approaches</b>	10.05.22	09:30-15:00	MS Teams
	31.05.22	09:30-15:00	MS Teams

<b>Delivering Early Help: Role of the Lead Practitioners</b>	24.05.22	13:30-16:30	MS Teams
<b>Managing Engagement</b>	10.05.22	13:30-16:00	MS Teams
<b>Neglect within Early Help</b>	17.05.22	17:00-20:00	MS Teams
<b>Early help audit awareness session</b>	03.05.22	12:30-14:30	MS Teams
	17.05.22	15:30-17:30	MS Teams
<b>Engaging the abusive parent</b>	17.05.22	11:00-12:00	MS Teams

### Adult's training:

#### Working together:

On June 21<sup>st</sup> we have our working together training delivered to all professionals working with adults across South Yorkshire. For more information, or to book a place please email [adult.protection.training@sheffield.gov.uk](mailto:adult.protection.training@sheffield.gov.uk). Please note, places are limited but there are training sessions quarterly. Please see [attached flyer](#) for more information.

#### Virtual Training:

To book onto any of the below courses, which will take place on MS Teams, please visit <https://doncaster.learningpool.com/login/index.php>.

<b>Training</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Venue</b>
<b>Introduction to DoLs</b>	05.05.22	13:30-16:30	The Forum, Frenchgate
	18.05.22	13:30-16:30	MS Teams
	23.05.22	13:30-16:30	The Forum, Frenchgate
<b>MCA Basic Awareness</b>	05.05.22	09:30-12:30	The Forum, Frenchgate
	18.05.22	09:30-12:30	MS Teams

	23.05.22	09:30-12:30	The Forum, Frenchgate
<b>Safeguarding awareness and raising concerns</b>	04.05.22	09:30-16:30	MS Teams

Online training - eLearning:

All training can be accessed for all Doncaster Council employee's on **developing you** and do not require you to book on, they are all online e-learning courses and can be found here:

<https://doncaster.learningpool.com/login/index.php>. All courses will complement your understanding of adults safeguarding and support your development:

- All age carers
- Carer awareness
- Coercive control
- Domestic abuse awareness
- Female genital mutilation
- Hate crime
- Honour based violence and forced marriage
- Modern slavery and human trafficking
- Physical abuse
- Prevent – to prevent people becoming terrorists or supporting terrorism
- Protecting vulnerable adults and children 2017
- Sexual abuse.