

Barnsley Safeguarding Adults Board – Public minutes August 2025

Achievements	Planned Actions
Mental Capacity Act audit completed, areas for development will be included in both the planned assurance event in November 2025 and in a specialist training event.	Specialist training event planned to help workers and volunteers assess if people struggling with drug/alcohol dependence, undiagnosed brain injuries etc can make decisions
The Board approved the annual report and infographic highlighting the work completed in 2024/2025.	Reports will be published on the website and shared with all partners. Barnsley overview and scrutiny panel will review and question the actions completed and an outline of our ambitions for 2025/2026
Safeguarding awareness week extended to two weeks between 17 – 28 November. We will hold a number of local and regional training events, including an All-Age Exploitation event	Three linked conferences are planned for 2025/2026 to support our ambition to safeguard adults who are homeless or insecurely housed, these will be attended by all four South Yorkshire safeguarding boards
The Department of Works and Pensions attended the Board to provide an update on their progress to implement the changes recommended by one of the Select committees, following the deaths of vulnerable adults in receipt of benefits Safeguarding vulnerable claimants - Committees - UK Parliament	The DWP Partnership manager will attend in six months to provide and update on changes, including if it will be a statutory requirement to raise a safeguarding concern
The Board received an update from the Integrated Care Board about the possible risks linked to the changes to the structure and role of the ICB. The proposed changes are still being discussed by the ICB and the NHS. Further updates will be provided to the Board	The Board will contribute to an inspection of safeguarding arrangements by the Care Quality Commission in September.
Attended Sheffield Coroner’s court to provide assurance that the lesson’s resulting from the Safeguarding Adults Review into the death of “Tony” are being closely monitored. Statutory Safeguarding Adults Review Tony overview report approved September 2024.	We are working with Barnsley Voluntary and Community Service to increase communication between their members and the Board and to increase public knowledge of safeguarding
New members welcomed to the Board and funding secured for an additional post to provide assurance on the impact of learning from safeguarding reviews	We will receive assurance about the quality assurance mechanisms in place in Care Homes and care provided to people in their own homes at our next meeting