

## **Suffolk Safeguarding Partnership Subgroup Review and Consultation – July 2019**

(Version Draft 0.1)

### **Summary**

This review of the current and proposed subgroup structure is designed to further integrate the work of the Safeguarding Partnership across the Children and Adult Boards by consolidating functions and by putting a greater emphasis on identifying and delivering positive outcomes.

### **Purpose and Objectives**

There are two main purposes and objectives of the proposed changes.

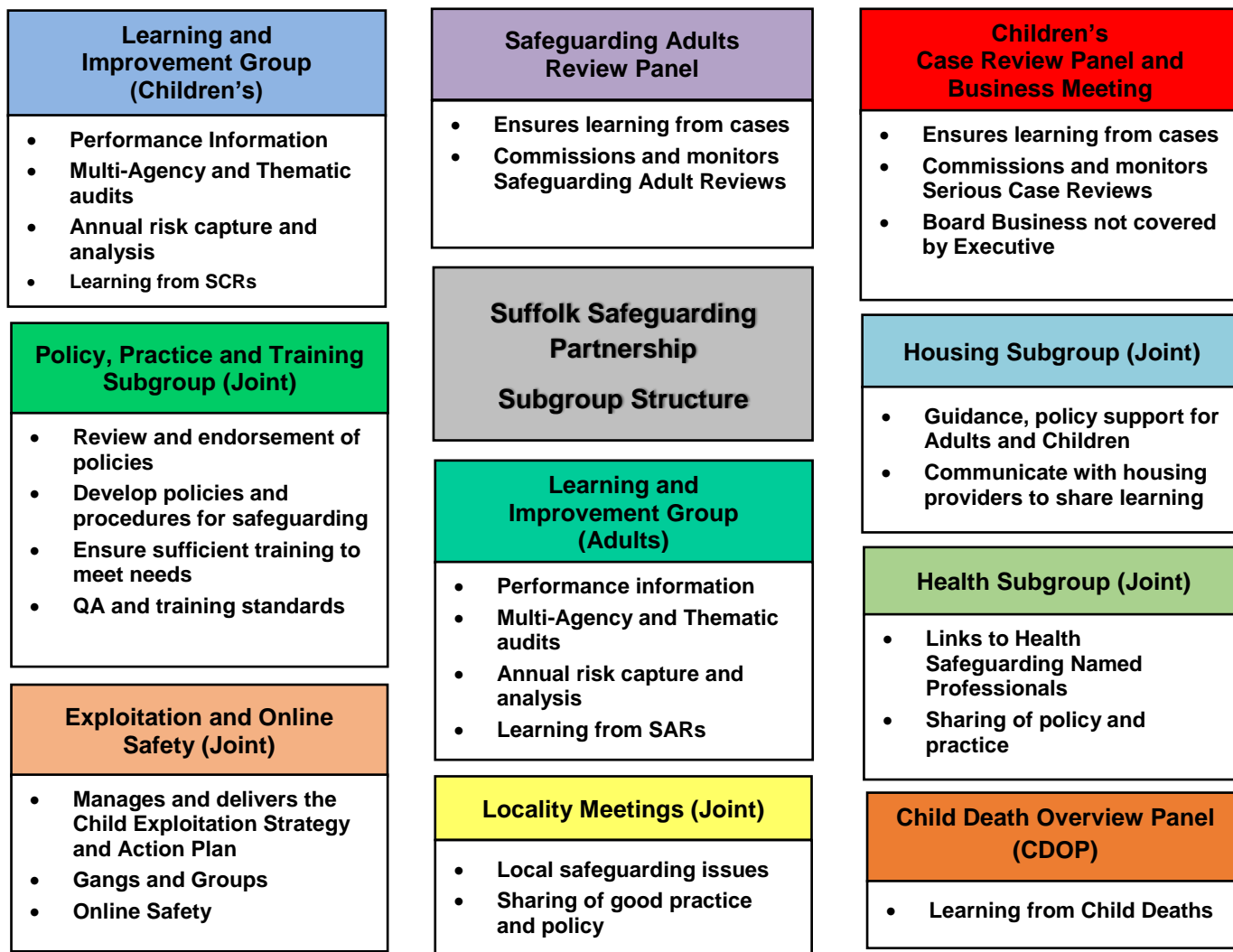
The first is to give the new Learning and Improvement Groups (LIGs) an overarching responsibility for all aspects of the Board's work which touch on learning and improvement. The LIGs may still delegate tasks with clear deliverables to short-term delivery groups but it will be able to set priorities and commission the right work more easily by consolidating functions in the way proposed.

The second is to engage more obviously and meaningfully with vulnerable children, adults at risk, their families and carers and with practitioners across agencies. At present, those who use services and those who provide have insufficient visibility in the work of the Boards unless something goes seriously wrong. A more balanced approach to engagement and involvement would have undoubted benefit, if it can be structured and delivered well.

Please send your feedback to [LSCBCommunication@suffolk.gov.uk](mailto:LSCBCommunication@suffolk.gov.uk)  
by 22 August 2019.

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# 1. Subgroup Structure outlined in the Suffolk Partnership Arrangements (June 2019)



Suffolk Safeguarding Partnership Subgroups	Freq	Meetings per year
Child Death Overview Panel (CDOP)	Bi-M	6
Learning and Improvement Group x 2	M and Bi-M	18
Training, Policy and Procedures (Joint)	Q	4
Child Exploitation and Online Safety	Q	4
Case Review Groups x 2	6 wkly	16
3 x Area Network Meetings (Joint)	Q	12
Housing (Joint)	Q	4
Health Subgroup (Joint)	Q	4
<b>Total</b>		<b>68</b>

## 2. Revised Subgroup Structure for Consultation – from 1 July 2019

Learning and Improvement Group (Children's)	Learning and Improvement Group (Adults)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Performance and Audit analysis</li> <li>• Multi-Agency and Thematic audits</li> <li>• Quality Assurance and endorsement of Policies</li> <li>• Training sufficiency and QA</li> <li>• Learning from and commissioning Case Reviews</li> <li>• Young people's involvement</li> <li>• Housing guidance and policy</li> <li>• Sharing of good practice</li> <li>• Communication and engagement with practitioners</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Performance and Audit analysis</li> <li>• Multi-Agency and Thematic audits</li> <li>• Quality Assurance and endorsement of Policies</li> <li>• Training sufficiency and QA</li> <li>• Learning from and commissioning Case Reviews</li> <li>• Involvement of adults at risk</li> <li>• Housing guidance and policy</li> <li>• Sharing of good practice</li> <li>• Communication and engagement with practitioners</li> </ul>

<b>Locality Meetings (Joint)</b>	<b>Child Death Overview Panel (CDOP)</b>	<b>Case Review Panel (Adults)</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Local Safeguarding issues</li> <li>• Sharing of good practice and policy</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Learning from child deaths</li> <li>• Links to Child Death Review Panel</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Commissioning Safeguarding Adults Reviews and Partnership Reviews</li> </ul>
<b>Exploitation and Online Safety</b>	<b>Health Subgroup (Joint)</b>	<b>Case Review Panel (Children)</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Manages and delivers the Child Exploitation Strategy and Action Plan</li> <li>• Links to Community Safety Partnership</li> <li>• Online Safety</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Links to Health Safeguarding Named Professionals</li> <li>• Sharing of good practice and policy</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Commissioning Serious Case Reviews and Partnership Reviews</li> </ul>

Suffolk Safeguarding Partnership subgroups	Freq	Meetings per year
Child Death Overview Panel (CDOP)	Bi-M	6
Learning and Improvement Groups x 2	11 per year	22
Exploitation and Online Safety	Q	4
Case Review Panel – Adults	M	12
Case Review Panel - Children	M	12
3 x Area Network Meetings (Joint)	Q	12
Health Subgroup (Joint)	Q	4
<b>Total</b>		<b>72</b>

### **3. What would change from 1 October 2019**

- Joining up of the Learning, Policy development, Performance and Audit functions into one monthly Learning and Improvement Group meeting.
- Greater focus on priorities and 'real time' issues as they arise.
- Working/delivery groups can be formed from the partnership as required, reporting into the Learning and Improvement Groups.

### **4. Timescales**

- 4-week consultation with LSCB and SAB partners from 22 July 2019.
- Implementation from 29 September 2019 – when the new safeguarding arrangements are implemented.
- Review of the groups structure and effectiveness after 6 months - April 2020.

### **5. Your Feedback**

Please send your feedback on the above structure to [LSCBCommunication@suffolk.gov.uk](mailto:LSCBCommunication@suffolk.gov.uk) by 22 August 2019.