

Outlined below is a summary of agenda items discussed at the last meeting. Should any further details /information be required on an item please contact the named person.

## SUMMARY OF BOARD MEETING HELD 26<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2014

- 1. Sexual Assault Referral Centre Annual Report: The SARC Annual Report was presented to the board highlighting the ISVA service will be moving to women's aid from the 1st April whilst The Oasis Centre will continue to take referrals and examinations. It was explained that the challenges are to invest in staffing with Mark Hopkins commenting that the employment of a 12 month fulltime Crisis Worker is appropriate under the current circumstances and relocation from the Oasis Centre to Women's Aid dependent on ongoing revenue costs. Russell Wate explained that he was concerned with the Paediatric Services but Mark Hopkins responded that Cambridgeshire Constabulary have extended their funding which is not sustainable. For more details contact Rachel Matheson 01733 317891
- 2. <u>Multi-Agency Referral Unit (MARU) Update:</u> Darryl Freeman updated the board on the Peterborough MARU Hub explaining that the First Response Team which is the MARU Hub has changed in size and format since September with additional resources being made available to undertake Initial and Core Assessments. The MARU Project Board have agreed the Performance Framework and will now need to agree the Performance Indicators and how it is collated to satisfy each partner. Darryl Freeman explained that they are introducing video conferencing for strategy discussions to enable participation from school and health settings. The wider MARU are exploring the development to become a Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH) which will also include the involvement of Adult Services. Jill Houghton commented that the model is a work in progress and that NHS England are to supplement a clinician resource to the safeguarding partnership and everyone agreed that this was real positive move and commitment by NHS England and the CCG. Russell Wate added that his concerns were regarding the timescales as this has been taking some time. Mark Hopkins agreed commenting that perhaps the PSCB should set the timescales for completion. For more details contact Darryl Freeman 864098
- 3. Looked After Children (LAC) Update: Lou Williams reported that 360 Children and Young People are currently in care with 70% within 20 miles of their home address which is slightly below the national average and that in the current financial year an additional 24 Foster Carers have been recruited. There have been a huge effort to repeat campaigns and that the team does not want to move children who have already been placed for stability. It was reported 46 children are placed more than 50 miles from their home address and reasons for this include requiring specialist foster care or to meet their cultural needs. Lou Williams added that it is a statutory requirement to notify the local authority when a child is placed in their area however Peterborough also notifies the local authority when they move out. For more details contact Lou Williams 01733 864139
- 4. <u>Information Sharing:</u> Jo Bramwell informed members that the Information Sharing Agreement had been discussed but was not formally signed off at the Board. It had been suggested using Cambridgeshire's Information Sharing Framework as a generic overarching framework which many partners have already signed up to. Following discussion it was formally agreed that the PSCB will adopt the Cambridgeshire Information Sharing Framework. For more details contact Jo Bramwell 01733 863765
- 5. NSPCC Presentation: Nick Edwards gave a presentation on the services provided by the NSPCC explaining that the NSPCC have been in Peterborough since 1890. The NSPCC receives £120m in income with 90% from donations. The service centre has been redesigned and includes a meeting room which holds 24 people and operates with a total of 18 staff. Nick Edwards explained that Peterborough was selected for a Service Centre due to the city's high rate of deprivation. The priority themes are Sexual Abuse, Neglect, and Looked After Children and services provided by the Service Centre which includes "Protect & Respect" as a follow up to CSE work supporting individuals and group work with schools around prevention. Nick Edwards added that the Service Centre is only 1 area of the NSPCC with Child line, NSPCC Helpline and other areas all linked. Sue Westcott commented that she found the presentation useful and that this was the 1st time she had seen NSPCC's referral activity and questioned why the NSPCC have not approached Children's Services for referrals. Nick Edwards responded that he had gone to the LAC teams for referrals with no success. For more details contact Nick Edwards 01733 207620
- 6. Child Sexual Exploitation (CSE) Strategy and Action Plan: Jo Bramwell reminded members that the Strategy had come to the board for sign off in November and that the action plan had been revised and amended since. It was commented that Cambridgeshire are looking at Peterborough's good practice. Following the performances of Chelsea's Choice a questionnaire has been circulated to all secondary schools to measure its impact, to date there have been 89 responses. The challenge is how to keep the awareness going through secondary schools and the community. The "Say Something if you See Something" campaign from the National Working Group has been circulated via the Safer Peterborough Partnership to Hotels and door staff. Briefing sessions have been held with approved drivers and the CEOP "Exploited" DVD has been shown in schools. A meeting is being held in April to look at tweaking the Risk Assessment Toolkit across Cambridgeshire and Peterborough and the Consequences and Management Group are undertaking a mapping exercise for gaps with the results being returned in May. Jo Bramwell added that there are lots of CSE groups and it is important that the governance arrangements are clear. Russell Wate explained to members that at the last meeting the board discussed a CSE Coordinator that will be funded by the LSCB for the first year and if successful, partners will need to provide funding. Russell Wate challenged agencies to what do they do and how services can be better joined up. No agencies had disagreed with the CSE coordinator proposal. For more details contact Jo Bramwell 863765
- 7. Child Death Overview Panel (CDOP) Service Level Agreement: Russell Wate informed members that the Service Level Agreement for the Child Death Overview Panel had been in place from 2011 and that it has been asked to review for a further 3 years. The agreement has changed slightly due to the post being upgraded. For more details contact Jo Bramwell 863765

Date of next meeting: 21st May 2014, Northminster House, 2.00 – 4.30