

Safeguarding and the HWB

LSCB perspective

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Role of the LSCB

- To co-ordinate activity to promote Safeguarding
- To assure the effectiveness of Safeguarding in Southend

Key Issues in safeguarding

- That safeguarding is everyone's concern
- That a child centred approach should be taken

Governance arrangements:LSCB

- It holds partners to account on safeguarding
- It (LSCB) cannot be subsumed under/into any other bodies
- The Annual Report should analyse how well safeguarding is going and indicate any gaps in services or other issues
- It should be presented to Chief Executive, Leader of LA, PCC, and HWB

Southend Arrangements

- No Childrens Trust
- Annual meeting with Leader, Portfolio lead, and Chief Executive
- Not a regular attender at HWB
- No formal arrangement with PCC
- LSCB Annual report presented to HWB

Areas to explore

- Role of HWB as commissioner
- How to assure Safeguarding in Commissioning role
- Significance of Adult services/issues (mental health , substance misuse, DV etc)
- Where is the Voice of the Child/Child Centred approach in services/commissioning
- Looking for new and “visionary” solutions

Areas to Explore (cont'd)

- Value of a more iterative approach
- Reviewing the interface between the 2 Boards, and the processes we could use

Questions and discussion

- Thank you