

What we achieved this year

Safeguarding Adults Month (5th to 30th of November)

22 workshops for professionals in collaboration with partners, public events and awareness campaigns in community for members of the public



Staying Safe for People with Learning Disabilities

Over 50 people using services attended the official launch of Safe Places scheme, followed by workshops on safeguarding, fire safety and keeping safe in the community, doorstep crimes and scams

7th, 14th and 21st November: Public events at the libraries in the borough

Good opportunity for members of the public to meet and talk to professionals from different agencies regarding concerns and current safeguarding issues

"Who do I open the door to?" 22nd November

Doorstep crimes and scam awareness campaign at sheltered schemes in the borough in partnership with Trading Standards



Safeguarding Conference: 28th November

A conference about Domestic abuse was held to inform and raise awareness about the impact on women and families. Nick Gazzard's survival story was impactful and emotional



Domestic abuse is never ok

The Board produced, in partnership with Metropolitan Police, Children's Safeguarding Board, and the Safer Greenwich Partnership, 2 videos which were screened on the Big Screen in General Gordon Square, in 9 GP surgeries, Thameside prison and Accident & Emergency, Queen Elizabeth Hospital



See the Adult See the Child

Joint initiative with Children's Services to ensure a holistic approach and smooth transition between services



Safeguarding Adult Reviews

A total of six reviews in progress. It is expected that the first one will be published in April 2019

Website

Our website has changed and aims to be a reliable information source for members of the public and professionals in the borough

The Safeguarding Adults Story in Greenwich



1,024 Referrals regarding safeguarding concerns in Greenwich



275 cases were further investigated



45% enquiries were about neglect



16% of enquiries were about financial abuse



13% of enquiries were about physical abuse



58% of enquiries concerned women



47% of abuse took place in the person's own home, 22% in care homes



82% of people were supported by an advocate



73% of enquiries were substantiated or partially substantiated

Priorities for 2019-2020

EMPOWERMENT

Improving community and service user engagement

PREVENTION

Embedding the Learning from Safeguarding Adults Reviews

PROPORTIONALITY

Commissioning specialist training for Family Group Conferencing and Restorative Practice

PROTECTION

Developing pathways for complex cases

Screening Domestic Abuse videos

PARTNERSHIP

Delivering a Joint Conference on Transitions and Safeguarding Adults Month

ACCOUNTABILITY

Undertake multi-agency case reviews

Auditing services and ensuring consistency

Getting involved

If you live in the Royal Borough of Greenwich and would like to become involved in the work of the Royal Greenwich Safeguarding Adults Board, we would like to hear from you, contact the Safeguarding Adults Board via: safeguarding-adults-board@royalgreenwich.gov.uk