

SAFEGUARDING ADULTS BOARD		
<i>Date</i> 17 th April 2026	<i>Time</i> 9.00am	<i>Venue</i> Crosland Suite, Grimsby Town Hall
<i>Attendees</i>	<p>Katie Brown (KB) - Director of Adult Services, NELC (Chair) John Allen (JA) – Principal Social Worker, NELC (MCA Group Chair) Lynn Andrews (LA) – Chief Nurse, Care Plus Group Rebecca Ardis (RA) - Head of Safeguarding, Focus Jo Barnes (JB) – Chief Executive Officer, Nurtrio Paul Bassett (PB) - Assistant Director Adult Social Services, NELC (Adults at Risk Sub-Group Chair) Nicola Burnett (NB) – Detective Superintendent, Humberside Police (Scrutiny & Assurance Sub-Group Chair) Helen Davis (HD) - Independent Scrutineer Melanie Fullbrook (MF) – Local Dementia Services Manager, Alzheimer’s Society Tracey Kendall (TK) - Prevention Leadership Manager and Designated Safeguarding Lead, HFRS Sarah Omer (SO) - Named Professional Safeguarding Adults, HNY ICB Cllr Stan Shreeve (SS) – Portfolio Holder & Deputy Leader, NELC Janine Smith (JS) - Chief Operating Officer, Navigo Vicky Thersby (VT) – Head of Safeguarding, Humber Health Partnership Stewart Watson (SW) – Safeguarding Adults Board Manager, NELC Julie Wilburn (JW) – Deputy Director of Safeguarding, NHS Humber & North Yorkshire Integrated Care Board (ICB) Lucy Wilkinson (LW) - Delivery Manager, Healthwatch NEL</p>	
<i>Guests</i>	<p>Craig Allen (CA) - Refugee Integration Team Manager, NELC – Agenda Item No. 18 Gilda Nunez (GN) - Public Health Principal Vulnerable Groups, NELC – Agenda Item No. 7</p>	
<i>Note taker</i>	Stewart Watson	
<i>Apologies / non-attendees</i>	<p>Lisa Bartlett – Safeguarding Lead, Foresight Laura Booth – Head of North & North East Lincolnshire PDU, National Probation Service Katie Chadwick – Head of Home Options, NELC Eleanor Cracknell - Senior Advocate, NE Lincs Cloverleaf Julie Hamilton – Business Support SAB Specialist, NELC Natalie Heron – Advanced Customer Support Lead, DWP Adam Knights – Co-Chair, NELCA Andrew Lister – Divisional Senior Manager - Quality, EMAS Lee Mair – Chief Executive Officer, Focus Sharon Philpott - Chief Superintendent, Humberside Police Duncan Rossiter – Chief Officer, Citizen’s Advice Bureau, Grimsby</p>	

	Kimberley Sparks - Service Manager, NE Lincs Cloverleaf Paula South – Director of Statutory Partnership, NHS Humber & North Yorkshire Integrated Care Board (ICB) Dr Sanjedah Zaro – Named GP Safeguarding Adults, Primary Care	
1. Welcome, Introductions and Apologies – Noted as above.		
2. Minutes of Previous Meeting/Action Tracker/Matters Arising (6th February 2026) – circulated with Agenda		
The Minutes of the Board Meeting held on 6 th February 2026 were accepted as a true record. The action tracker was updated. All actions have been completed or were on the Agenda for		
3. Redacted Minutes of Previous Meeting/Matters Arising (6th February 2026) – circulated with Agenda		
The redacted version produced for publication on the NELC website was approved.		
<i>Actions Agreed</i>	<i>Lead</i>	<i>Deadline</i>
3.1 The redacted version of the Minutes of the meeting held on 6 th February 2026 to be published on the NELC website.	Julie Hamilton	Completed
4. Multi-Board Update – Katie Brown		
KB reported that the Multi-Board has not met since last SAB.		
5. HNY ICB - update – Julie Wilburn		
JW reported that there is still a number of posts yet to be established before the final numbers will be known. Further updates to follow.		
6. 'Easy Read' Safeguarding Adults Leaflet – Stewart Watson – circulated with Agenda		
SW presented the final draft of the leaflet, pictorial content is still awaited.		
<i>Actions Agreed</i>	<i>Lead</i>	<i>Deadline</i>
6.1 The final pictorial easy-read Safeguarding Adults leaflet to be presented to a future meeting of the SAB once ready.	Stewart Watson	
7. Domestic Abuse in NEL – Gilda Nunez – report circulated with Agenda		
GN gave a presentation on Domestic Abuse (DA) in NEL which outlined:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overview of core statutory framework • Key findings of survivors' voices 2026 • Public health approach to DA • Theory of change for DA in NEL • DA Strategy workshop – 12th May • NEL DA Partnership Strategy 		
<i>Actions Agreed</i>	<i>Lead</i>	<i>Deadline</i>
7.1 The actions as outlined in the report on Domestic Abuse in NEL be agreed.	ALL	Completed

7.2 KB to have a discussion with Ann-Marie Matson and SP to agree where the agreed actions will be monitored in order to save duplication.	Katie Brown	04/09/2026
8. S42 Enquiries – Rebecca Ardis		
RA reported that there is currently work underway to change how data is recorded and captured within the Safeguarding Adults Team (SAT). There is also work ongoing to provide an electronic means of reporting for professionals. There has been a 13% increase in calls this year.		
<i>Actions Agreed</i>	<i>Lead</i>	<i>Deadline</i>
8.1 Safeguarding Adults Performance to remain a standing agenda item.	Rebecca Ardis	Ongoing
9. Financial Abuse - discussion		
RA gave an overview of the current picture of financial abuse, discussing themes such as those who support individuals with shopping and other household chores who later go on to use monies for their own benefit.		
10. Adults at Risk Sub-Group Update – Paul Bassett – presentation circulated with Agenda		
An update was presented which outlined:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update of activity in the last period • Headline issues and areas of risk • Support required from the SAB – none at this time • Plans for the quarter ahead • Inclusion of the voice of vulnerable adults 		
10.1 Hoarding Training – John Allen – report circulated with Agenda		
JA presented a report which set out two delivery options for a proposed hoarding awareness and intervention training programme for consideration.		
<i>Actions Agreed</i>	<i>Lead</i>	<i>Deadline</i>
10.1 The options available for Hoarding Training to be presented to the SAB Executive for a decision regarding a funding agreement.	John Allen	01/05/2026 <i>Deferred to</i> 03/07/2026
11. Scrutiny & Assurance Sub-Group Update – Nicola Burnett – presentation circulated with Agenda		
An update was presented which outlined:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update of activity in the last period • Support required from the SAB • Plans for the quarter ahead 		
12. Independent Scrutineer Review – Helen Davis – presentation circulated with Agenda – DEFERRED TO NEXT MEETING OF SAB		
13. Web Seminar - 30th April 2026 – update – Stewart Watson		
SW reported that 90+ participants had been registered to attend.		
<i>Actions Agreed</i>	<i>Lead</i>	<i>Deadline</i>

13.1 An update on feedback from the web seminar to be presented to the next meeting of the SAB.	Stewart Watson	05/06/2026
14. National Safeguarding Week, 16-22 November 2026		
SAB Members had been asked to bring details of what their organisation/agency was planning.		
<i>Actions Agreed</i>	<i>Lead</i>	<i>Deadline</i>
14.1 SW to meet with JA, RA and members of NELC's communications team to discuss planning for National Safeguarding Week and report back to the next meeting of the SAB.	Stewart Watson	05/06/2026
15. Adult Safeguarding information on NELC's Website – Stewart Watson		
All Adult Safeguarding information is now on NELC's website – link: Adult social care NELC		
<i>Actions Agreed</i>	<i>Lead</i>	<i>Deadline</i>
15.1 SW, JA and RA to meet with the NELC's lead for the website to discuss how to improve it and report back to a future meeting of the SAB.	Stewart Watson	04/09/2026
16. SAR 07-25 AG (JH) - Final report and action plan – Sarah Omer – circulated with Agenda		
SO presented the final report of the table-top review and action plan for SAR 07-25 AG (JH). The report outlined:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agencies involved • Summary of events and timelines • Findings/key themes • Four recommendations 		
<i>Actions Agreed</i>	<i>Lead</i>	<i>Deadline</i>
16.1 The final report of the table-top review and action plan for SAR 07-25 AG (JH) be approved.	ALL	Completed
17. Risk Register v34 – Stewart Watson/Helen Davis – circulated with Agenda		
The Risk Register v34 was presented and discussed.		
<i>Actions Agreed</i>	<i>Lead Officer</i>	<i>Deadline</i>
17.1 The Risk Register v34 be approved.	ALL	Completed
18. Briefing on Refugee Team & Migration/NRPF Annual Report 2025/26 - Craig Allen – circulated with Agenda		
CA gave a briefing on refugee and migration activity in NEL which included:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Background and context • Current statistics • Next steps 		
19. Q4 2025/26 Performance and Training Reports – Rebecca Ardis (Lee Mair – apologies) – reports circulated with Agenda		

RA gave a presentation on the Q4 and also the full year 2025/26 in respect of Performance which outlined:

- Safeguarding Adults Collection (SAC) - annual submission
- Q4 2025/26 Performance data compared to full year 2025/26 Performance data
- National and regional comparisons
- Future considerations

<i>Actions Agreed</i>	<i>Lead</i>	<i>Deadline</i>
19.1 The Q4 2025/26 Performance Report be noted.	ALL	Completed
19.2 The Q4 2025/26 Training Report be noted.	ALL	Completed

20. DASM Report 2025/26 - Stewart Watson – circulated with Agenda

SW presented the Annual DASM Report for 2025/26

<i>Actions Agreed</i>	<i>Lead</i>	<i>Deadline</i>
20.1 The DASM Report for 2025/26 be noted.	ALL	

21. Forward Plan 2026 – Stewart Watson – circulated with Agenda

The 2026 Forward Plan was presented for information and any additions/ suggestions.

<i>Actions Agreed</i>	<i>Lead</i>	<i>Deadline</i>
21.1 Any suggestions for the Forward Plan 2026 to be submitted to julie.hamilton@nelincs.gov.uk	ALL	Ongoing

22. Any Other Business - None

23. Future Meetings 2026

Agreed Dates for 2026: (meeting invites have been sent)
 Friday 5th June – 9am-12noon
 Friday, 4th September – 9am-12noon
 Friday, 6th November – 9am-12noon
 (First Friday of each month, except August, 9:00am-12noon, in-person at Grimsby Town Hall)
 (Executive Meetings to be held on alternate months via Teams.)

(Meeting closed at 11.35am)