

Committee:	Dated:
Safeguarding Sub-Committee (Community and Children's Services) – For information	11/10/2021
Adult Safeguarding Sub-Committee – For information	24/11/2021
Subject: Adult Safeguarding Performance Report, Q1 2021/22	Public Non-Public Appendix
Which outcomes in the City Corporation's Corporate Plan does this proposal aim to impact directly?	1, 2 and 3
Does this proposal require extra revenue and/or capital spending?	No
If so, how much?	N/A
What is the source of Funding?	N/A
Has this Funding Source been agreed with the Chamberlain's Department?	N/A
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This report is exempt by virtue of paragraph 2 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972. Specifically, Appendix 1 of the report contains sensitive information which may be exempted under the Act, and as this cannot be presented to Members as a separate appendix, this report needs to be considered in closed session. It is considered that information falling under the following paragraphs outweighs the public interest in disclosing information:

2)	Information which is likely to reveal the identity of an individual.
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Summary

This report informs Members of the level and nature of adult safeguarding concerns received by the City of London Corporation during quarter one (Q1) of 2021/22. During this period, the Adult Social Care (ASC) team received 10 new safeguarding concerns, of which nine were within the authority. Six progressed to an enquiry stage but one concluded during this period with the remaining five yet to conclude.

Recommendation

Members are asked to:

- Note the report.

Main Report

Background

1. This report sets out information relating to adult safeguarding for the Q1 period, April to June 2021.
2. Safeguarding concerns are raised where concern is expressed for an adult at risk, either by the individual themselves, their family or friends, care workers, volunteers, or other professionals.
3. An adult at risk is a person aged 18 or over who needs care and support, regardless of whether they are receiving it. This may be because of a mental health issue, learning or other disability, age or illness, or because they are, or may be, unable to take care of themselves against significant abuse or neglect. There are approximately 175 adult service users of the ASC team.
4. The Care Act 2014 places a duty on the City of London Corporation to make enquiries – known as Section 42 (S42) enquiries – if it is reasonable to suspect that an adult is, or is at risk of, being abused or neglected. Risk is evaluated and re-evaluated throughout the process – from the concern stage through to protection plans and closure – according to defined thresholds.
5. The City of London Corporation's safeguarding practice is focused on making safeguarding personal by working with the individual to identify the difference or outcome that they want to achieve to improve their safety and wellbeing. The process is evaluated by assessing whether the individual feels these outcomes have been achieved. Measures used to demonstrate that safeguarding is personalised are:
 - people are asked for their desired outcomes
 - people are satisfied with the outcomes.

Current Position – Safeguarding Concerns During the Quarter

6. During Q1 of 2021/22, the City of London Corporation received nine new safeguarding concerns within the authority, compared to 14 received during Q4 2020/21. A further referral was received, relating to a safeguarding concern outside the Square Mile, and were referred to the appropriate authority, making 10 in total.
7. During this period, six of the nine concerns within the City met the S42 criteria and progressed to an enquiry stage. The remaining concern did not meet the criteria for an enquiry

Corporate & Strategic Implications

8. Financial implications – N/A
9. Resource implications – N/A
10. Legal implications – N/A
11. Risk implications – N/A
12. Equalities implications – N/A
13. Climate implications – N/A
14. Security implications – N/A

Conclusion

15. During Q1 2021/22, of the six S42 Enquiries one concluded by the end of the reporting period. Although there were 11 conclusions during this period, four of these concerns did not develop to a S42 enquiry. Therefore, seven of the conclusions transpired after a S42 Enquiry. Of the seven S42 conclusions there were six that were concerns from the prior reporting period and one from this reporting period.
16. In terms of MSP, of the seven concluded S42 cases there were six where MSP was asked and of those 5 (83%) were fully or partially achieved; 2 were fully achieved (33%); 3 (50%) were partially achieved; 1 (17%) was not achieved and 1 was regarded 'not applicable' as their outcome was not expressed (hence why no percentage is accounted for on this regard).

Appendices

- Appendix 1 – Q1 2021/22 Adult Safeguarding Activity (Non-Public)

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