

MIDDLESBROUGH COUNCIL
OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY BOARD

AGENDA ITEM: 9 (f)

<p style="margin: 0;">SOCIAL CARE AND ADULT SERVICES SCRUTINY PANEL PROGRESS REPORT</p>

3 March 2015

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

1. To provide members of the Overview and Scrutiny Board with an update on the work of the Social Care and Adult Services Scrutiny Panel.

BACKGROUND

Safeguarding Adults in Residential Care

2. A meeting was held on 22 January 2015. The purpose of the meeting was to provide the scrutiny panel with information in respect of its new scrutiny topic of Safeguarding Adults in Residential Care.
3. At the meeting, officers from Adult Social Care provided the scrutiny panel with an introduction/overview of this topic, including:
 - The work undertaken to identify people at risk.
 - The measures in place to help prevent abuse or neglect, and to protect people.
4. The last meeting was held on 12 February 2015. Officers from Adult Social Care and representatives from a selection of care homes were in attendance.
5. The purpose of the meeting was to facilitate a discussion, which focussed on good practice in respect of:
 - Identifying people at risk.
 - Preventing abuse and neglect.
 - Improving outcomes for people who have experienced harm or abuse.
6. The meeting provided the scrutiny panel with an insight into current practices in respect of safeguarding and universal measures that should be implemented in residential care settings to drive improvement.
7. On 12 February, the scrutiny panel also considered information submitted by the Care Quality Commission.
8. The next meeting is scheduled to take place on 12 March 2015. At this meeting, the scrutiny panel will consider the draft final report on its current topic and discuss, determine and agree conclusions and recommendations.

RECOMMENDATION

9. That the Overview and Scrutiny Board notes the progress of the Social Care and Adult Services Scrutiny Panel.

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