



BOARD NEWSLETTER

Board meeting held on 23 March 2017

UPCOMING EVENTS

The HSCB 2017/18 Training calendar is now live. The following course are available to book:

[Managing staff with a responsibility for Safeguarding](#)

[Impact of Domestic Violence](#)

[Working Together in Child Protection](#)

[Safeguarding Disabled Children Including Those with Complex Needs](#)

[Listening and Responding to Children – The impact of Abuse and Attachment Problems](#)

- HSCB agreed to continue its focus on the five priorities progressed during 2016/17. A range of work has been achieved over the previous financial year including the development of key strategies and plans and the strengthening of our quality assurance framework. The Board felt it was important to maintain momentum and continue to develop these areas of work to ensure that professionals across the partnership are best equipped to identify, protect and support children at risk in Hampshire. [HSCB Business Plan 2017/18](#)
- Board members endorsed the creation of Local Practitioner Workshops. These will focus on key safeguarding themes including learning from case reviews and audits. They will also enable professionals to discuss emerging safeguarding issues, barriers to multi-agency working and good practice that can be shared across the partnership.
- The Board agreed a new approach to the annual Keeping Children Safe (Section 11) Audit. For 2017, partner agencies will provide an update on action plans submitted in the previous year. For agencies crossing LSCB boundaries, these action plans will be presented to a panel comprising members of the LSCBs' performance and quality assurance groups and chaired by the Independent Chairs of Hampshire, Isle of Wight, Southampton and Portsmouth LSCBs.
- Board members approved use of a new secure online Inter Agency referral Form (IARF). Professionals are encouraged to complete the IARF prior to calling Children's Services, which will enhance the quality of referral information and enable a more detailed case discussion to take place. [IARF](#)
- HSCB were pleased to confirm the launch of '[The Virtual College](#)' to its statutory partners. This eLearning package is an important resource and broadens the Board's training offer.
- Partners extended their thanks to Lisa Hayes who has undertaken the role of Lay Member for HSCB during the past six years. The post for a new lay member will be advertised shortly.

KEY DOCUMENTS AND RESOURCES

[HSCB website](#)

[4LSCB Procedures](#)