



WSAB NEWSLETTER

April 2021

Welcome to the WSAB Spring Newsletter.

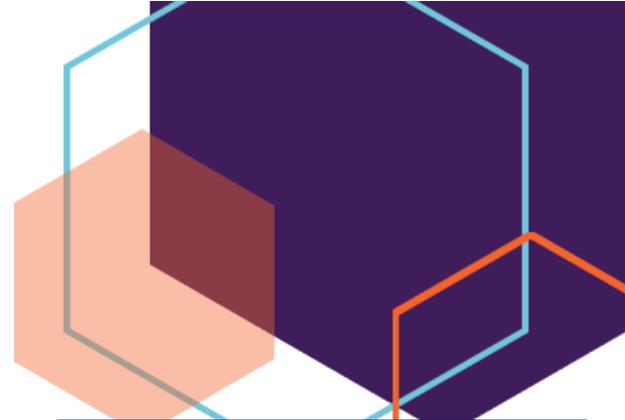
We had some positive feedback about the new-look format. If you have any feedback at all, please contact safeguardingadultsbo@worcestershires.gov.uk

Board Business

The WSAB held its quarterly Board meeting in March. At this meeting a joint Domestic Homicide and Safeguarding Adults Review was signed off by the Board. A decision as to whether to publish this review is still to be made following discussions with the family. There was also a presentation from the local lead on the Learning Disability Mortality

(death) Review program (LeDeR) on the impact of Covid 19 for people with a learning disability. [You can access the presentation here.](#) Alongside standing items on the progress of the business objectives by the Sub-groups there were also updates and discussions on the progress of the WSABs priorities around Wicked issues including Adult Exploitation, the Lead Professional and Rough Sleeping.

Finally, the Board said farewell to Derek Benson and thanked him for his 4 years' service as independent chair and welcomed Professor Keith Brown to take on the role.



BIOGRAPHY

Professor Keith Brown was the founding Director of the National Centre for Post Qualifying Social Work and Professional Practice and he is an Emeritus Professor at Bournemouth University where the social work department was ranked number 1 in the UK in the 2020 Guardian League Table.

His recent appointment as Independent Chair of the Worcestershire Safeguarding Adults Board is something that he is really passionate about.

[Read his full biography here.](#)

WSAB Events and Network Updates:

- **WSAB Adults Safeguarding Network** – At March's virtual meeting Toni George, an Independent trainer and social work coach, presented on 'Resilience' and the Board secretariate presented on SAR's signed off since June 2020. **Next Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday 14th July 2021.**
- **WSAB Annual Learning Event** – Residential & Domiciliary Care Sector event has been postponed due to COVID-19 and awaiting further information on the new Safeguarding framework. We will keep you posted on this.

OTHER NEWS, USEFUL DOCUMENTS, AND INFORMATION

All the important links to keep you updated.

Advocacy – [WSAB - Independent Advocacy and the role of the Advocate by Onside - Worcestershire Safeguarding Boards](#)
(safeguardingworcestershire.org.uk)

COVID-19 - [WSAB - The COVID-19 Vaccine for people experiencing homelessness & those supporting them - Worcestershire Safeguarding Boards](#)
(safeguardingworcestershire.org.uk)

Dementia - [WSAB Supporting people living with dementia to be involved in adult safeguarding enquiries published by the Department of Health and Social Care on 31 March 2021 - Worcestershire Safeguarding Boards](#)
(safeguardingworcestershire.org.uk)

Lessons learned - [Have we learned from Steven Hoskin's murder? \(2020\) | Safeguarding adults | SCIE](#)

Making Safeguarding Personal - [WSAB - Using the MSP resources to support learning and development \(RiP\) - Worcestershire Safeguarding Boards](#)
(safeguardingworcestershire.org.uk)

Position of Trust - [Top Tips for Directors on dealing with allegations against people in a position of trust.pdf \(mcusercontent.com\)](#)

Scams - <https://www.safeguardingworcestershire.org.uk/wsab-national-scams-briefing/>

Summary of NICE guidelines on Safeguarding Adults in Care Homes - [WSAB - Herefordshire & Worcestershire CCG summary report of Safeguarding Adults in Care Homes - NICE guidelines March 2021 V3 - Worcestershire Safeguarding Boards](#)
(safeguardingworcestershire.org.uk)

Next WSAB Newsletter: July 2021

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New SAR Published

WSAB have published a New SAR 'Mary', you can find the [Executive Summary & Learning briefing here](#).

SAVE THE DATE

Friday 21st May 2021
Herefordshire & Worcestershire
Joint Exploitation Conference
Further details to follow...