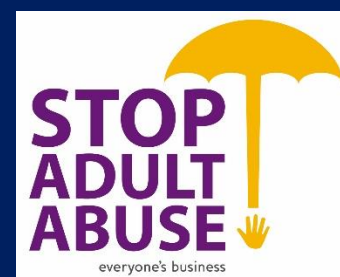


Cheshire East SAB Newsletter



Cheshire East Safeguarding Adults Board (CESAB) Update for Information

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Welcome to the Cheshire East Safeguarding Adults Board Newsletter and Happy New Year. We hope that you find this newsletter a useful tool, and that it helps to keep you up to date with some of the local and national issues in relation to safeguarding adults at risk of abuse and neglect.

Please do not hesitate to contact CESAB with any queries or information you would like to submit to be used in future newsletters. Contact details at the bottom of this page.

1. Covid 19 and Adult Safeguarding

The Health Foundation have now concluded their research with Keele University regarding the impact of Covid 19 on Adult Safeguarding. The aim of the project was to investigate the impact of Covid 19 on adult safeguarding and social care law and practice, and how changes have impacted practitioner's ability to safeguard adults at risk of abuse or neglect.

For further information about the findings and publications from this project please visit [Adult Social Care and Safeguarding during Covid 19](#).

2. Migrant Help UK

[Migrant Help UK](#) support people affected by displacement and exploitation. Core services offered are Asylum Support, victims of slavery & trafficking support, refugee resettlement, EU settlement scheme and clear voice interpreting services.

3. Updates & Resources

Please find below a number of updates / reports and tools which you may find useful.

- Hate Crime Resources from [Remedi UK](#).
- Modern Slavery Youtube shorts.
[The Clewer Initiative](#) have put together this short piece called [Invisible](#).
[The Gangmasters and Labour Abuse Authority](#) have produced a piece called [Horse Trading](#).
- NHS Covid 19 [Modern Slavery & Human Trafficking Rapid Read](#)
- Domestic Abuse Service Directory
Women's Aid Directory contains up to date information about domestic abuse support services across the UK. It is regularly updated by the services listed so you'll be able to find the right local support, when you need it most. Access here: [Domestic Abuse Directory - Womens Aid](#)
- Updated Publication [Safe Later Lives: Older People and domestic abuse](#)
- Updated Publication [Domestic Abuse of older people](#) House of Lords Library
- ADASS Guidance [Adult safeguarding and domestic abuse](#). A guide to support practitioners and managers.

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- Jewish Women's Aid Community Toolkit
Jewish Women's Aid have created these resources to raise awareness and understanding in the Jewish community about domestic abuse and sexual violence, and to encourage discussion, questions and change. Access the toolkit here: [Community Toolkit | Jewish Women's Aid \(jwa.org.uk\)](https://www.jwa.org.uk/community-toolkit)

4. Bogus Callers – A reminder to be aware.

We have been alerted that a bogus caller has recently been reported in the Crewe area. A white British male in his 30's with a short beard arrived at the address of a service user whilst carers were present. It is reported that the male said "he had come to collect 5 boxes of pads" and he said he was from NHS. However, the gentleman had no uniform or ID badge, he was wearing shorts and a high vis jacket and boots. The carer was advised not to allow the male into the property and it appears that this was a bogus caller attempting to gain entry. The incident was reported to the police.

For more information on bogus callers please visit;

[Live Well Cheshire East Rogue Trader, Bogus Callers and Doorstep Crime](#)

[Age UK Cheshire East Doorstep Crime Safety](#)

[Rogue Traders and doorstep crime Cheshire East Council](#)

5. Domestic Abuse & Living with Dementia

A checklist has been developed to help care providers identify when domestic abuse could be occurring for those living with dementia and their carers at home or within a care home. This has been incorporated into a booklet for care providers. Please see [Carer Provider Response](#)

6. New ACT Early short films

As part of their ACT Early campaign, the Counter-Terrorism Policing team have developed three new 'Letters to my Younger Self' films aimed at young people, all of which are now available to view on the [ACT Early website](#).

The new films tell the stories of John, who fell into the extreme right-wing through social media and was helped through Prevent; Michael, who became involved with Islamist extremism and tragically lost his life; and Mustafa, who followed multiple radical clerics and is now a spoken word artist working within the NGO sector.

Further assets are also available at CTP's social media feeds:

- <https://twitter.com/TerrorismPolice> – Twitter
- <https://www.instagram.com/terrorismpolice> – Instagram
- <https://www.facebook.com/counterterrorismpoliceuk> - Facebook

7. Serious and Organised Crime Day of Action – Crewe

Working under the umbrella of the Safer Cheshire East Partnership (SCEP) partners from adult safeguarding and community safety, in addition to senior officers from Cheshire Police were instrumental in organising the Serious and Organised Crime Day of Action which took place in the Brookhouse Estate area of Crewe on 1st December 2021.

Support was also provided by partners from the established multi-agency Serious and Organised Crime Board which works to disrupt the activity of organised crime groups operating across the borough. The impact of the crimes directly affects our local communities with the nature of the offences often targeted at those who are most vulnerable in our society.

The day of Action centred around visiting local residents and some businesses in completing a questionnaire on a series of questions around how safe they felt safety and issues directly relating to serious and organised crime.

Over 800 properties were visited on the day by small teams including a police officer and representatives from over a dozen partner organisations. 276 questionnaires were completed, representing a completion rate of over 30%, which was seen as a positive response.

87% of people completing the questionnaire reported feeling safe in the community, with 42% feeling very safe; and 45% feeling reasonably safe with just 13% of people completing a questionnaire reported feeling unsafe.

Reasons for people feeling unsafe were reported as anti-social behaviour, drug activity, a lack of street lighting, speeding traffic and problems with children and young people congregating in groups, although issues relating to children and young people did not feature prominently.

The questionnaire was designed to gather community intelligence and helpful information was provided in relation to 'Cold Callers', local asb incidents and the Police being able to obtain useful details to enable follow up visits regarding aspects of their investigation work.

Residents being visited were presented with an information pack on a range of services which could be contacted to provide support with further advice being offered in the Partnership Market Place located in the Community Room at Crewe Alexandra Football Club which was used as a base venue for the event.

The Day was supported by around 90 staff from a host of partner agencies including Cheshire Police, Adult Social Care, Probation Services, Children Services, Youth Justice, Housing, Trading Standards, Cheshire Fire and Rescue, Health and MyCWA.

A full analysis of the completed questionnaires has been provided (Thank you to Debbie Foss for this work) and the Serious and Organised Crime Group will use this identify further work by the Serious and Organised Crime Group and also use the findings in planning their next Day of Action scheduled for Wilmslow in February 2022.

Below captures some quotes from those involved in the day:

“My staff have said what a great day it was and how they enjoyed the networking and also going out into the community” – Rebecca Lane – Probation Services

“My first time supporting the SOC Day Of Action and it was a really interesting day with a number of Social Workers that attended also finding it very useful for networking and understanding community feelings - very much enjoyed” – Rachel Elliott – Manager ASC - CEC

“What a wonderful day to working alongside our Partners, meeting people in our communities and being able to raise awareness about the impact but also the support available to tackle serious and organised crime.” Louise Hurst – Head of Service, Child in Need and Child Protection

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