

Cheshire East Safeguarding Adults Board Newsletter



July 2025

Welcome to the Cheshire East Safeguarding Adults Board Newsletter. 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. You can find contact details at the end of the newsletter.

In this newsletter.....

1. What we've been doing...



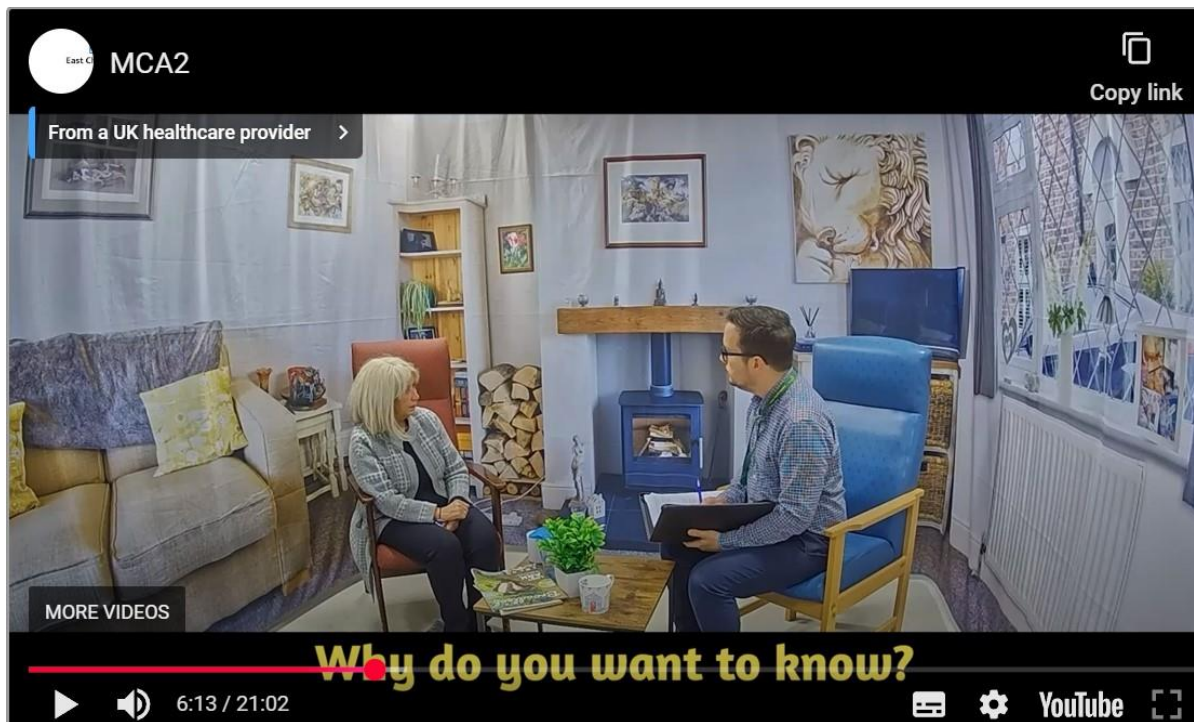
- **'Good' CQC rating for Adult Social Care in Cheshire East.**

The CESAB took part in the Care Quality Commission (CQC) Inspection, and we are pleased to report we have received a 'Good' rating. The full report can be [read here](#).

The Service User Group celebrated the outcome by [making this short video](#).

The group really enjoyed creating this video and are very proud of the work they do in Cheshire East.

We hope you enjoy watching it.



- The second in a series of training films around mental capacity assessments is now available to view via YouTube and on the [training pages of our website](#). Based on a real assessment, we hope this film will support professionals with good practice in the mental capacity assessment and DOLS process.

We would like to thank our partners for their continued support and help in producing this series of training films.

- **Adult Safeguarding Week 17 – 21 November 2025**

We've already started planning this year's [Adult Safeguarding Week](#).

Alongside training and workshops, this year sees the return of our Safeguarding Award Ceremony. This is a wonderful opportunity to celebrate the achievements of colleagues and professionals who keep vulnerable people safe in our community.

For details on how to nominate please email safeguardingawards@cheshireeast.gov.uk

- **Carers Event at Sandbach Leisure Centre 14th June 2025**

On Saturday 14th June 2025, representatives from Cheshire East Council, Cheshire East Safeguarding Adults Board attended the Carers Event at Sandbach Leisure Centre, supported by the Director of Adult Social Care Operations, Jill Broomhall.

The event shared information around carers assessments, direct payments and helped to signpost people to the most appropriate services.



2. Updates and Resources

Useful Podcasts, articles and blogs for Professionals.

- Recent articles from Journal of Adult Protection



Analysis of DHR recommendations



Corradini Social



Investigating deaths of people with ASD N



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- [Large in Numbers, Invisible to Services. Suicide, Domestic Abuse and Homelessness among the Polish Community in Cheshire East.](#) Published by Vesta
- [Cheshire East Domestic Abuse and Suicidality Toolkit](#)
- 39 Essex Chambers. Recorded webinar. [The Terminally Ill Adults \(End of Life\) Bill. Update and Emerging Flashpoints.](#)
- [Preventing and Disrupting Cuckooing Victimisation Professionals Toolkit](#) – University of Leeds
- [Savera UK](#) is a Cheshire and Merseyside based charity working to end ‘honour’ based abuse and harmful practices. Information for professionals regarding their referral process and a learning hub can be found on their website.

- Alex Ruck Keene KC and colleagues from 39 Essex Chambers have published two MCA guidance notes.

Mental Capacity Guidance Note: Best Interests – published **12 May 2025**

[Mental Capacity Guidance Note: Best Interests | 39 Essex Chambers](#)

Mental Capacity Guidance Note: Assessment and Recording of Capacity ... published

12 May 2025 [Mental Capacity Guidance Note: Assessment and Recording of Capacity | 39 Essex Chambers](#)

The purpose of this document is to provide for social workers and those working in front-line clinical settings an overview of the law and principles relating to the assessment of capacity. Its focus is on (a) how to apply the MCA 2005 principles when assessing capacity; and (b) how to record your assessment, primarily in the context of health and welfare decisions.

- Published by the Department of Health on 19 June 2025, The Oliver McGowan draft Code of Practice on statutory learning disability and autism training. [Oliver McGowan code of practice](#) Sets out standards for training on learning disability and autism for Care Quality Commission (CQC)-registered health and social care providers and their staff.

3. Scams Awareness Updates

- [Organised crime gangs behind rise in QR 'quishing' scams - BBC News](#)

- **Free Cyber Security Awareness webinars for Charities staff and leaders**

The Eastern Region Protect Team who are part of the National Cyber Security Centre is offering free Cyber Security Awareness webinars for Charities. These free events are designed to enable charities to help safeguard against fraud and cybercrime and assist staff/volunteers in spotting the signs of scams and help improve their digital hygiene.

There are dates for both Staff and Leaders of charities and well worth booking if you are part of this sector. These can be accessed via the links below:

Cyber Security Staff Awareness

[Wednesday 1 October](#)

[Monday 12 January](#)

Charity Leaders Fraud and Cyber Awareness

[Wednesday 8 October](#)

[Monday 19 January](#)

4. EXTENSION: Household Support Fund (HSF) extended until April 2026.

In Cheshire East, the HSF grant provides crisis support to financially vulnerable households most in need. The fund ran over 2024/25, providing over £4m worth of support to Cheshire

East's most vulnerable residents. The fund has been extended until 2026, and can provide the following support:

- Food and Energy Vouchers
- Support for household essentials (found under the Triage network of support on the professional HSF webpage)
- Financial assistance for exceptional costs

We ask you do not miss the opportunity to support and help our most financially vulnerable residents. Please ensure that you raise awareness and talk to the financially vulnerable adults and families that you work with to see if they would benefit from this valuable support.

To access the referral form click [here](#), (this page can also be found by searching 'hsf' or 'household support fund' via the Centranet)

The following webpage can be shared with your families so that they are aware of the support that is potentially available to them - [Cheshire East Household Support Fund](#)

5. Learning from SAR's

Bella SAR

The safeguarding review, Bella, will be published shortly on the Safeguarding Board's website but in the meantime, the seven minute briefing and the easy read report can be shared. Bella, who is 26, contributed to the review alongside her mother and partner agencies to look at areas of learning for the agencies involved. Recommendations included: Embedding professional curiosity into practice, promotion of autism and trauma-informed care frameworks and multi-agency risk assessment and discharge planning.



easy read Bella.pdf



7 minute briefing
Bella V1.pdf

Safeguarding Adults Review in respect of Tom (October 2024) West Sussex County Council

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At the time of publication of this report, Tom is 41 years of age and refuses to be defined by his disabilities. He has a diagnosis of cerebral palsy, complex postural needs, and has a sight impairment. Tom requires a carer to be available 24 hours a day and uses a motorised wheelchair at all times. Tom is currently living in his own accommodation in Chichester, after living in an emergency place of safety, a residential care service, since August 2020.

Prior to his move, Tom lived in the community with his now ex-wife and his live-in carer. From 2016, Tom began to experience neglect and emotional/psychological abuse by his then wife,

and paid carer. The abuse and neglect became significantly worse over time, and Tom became isolated from his family and friends. In 2020, Tom's friend became concerned about Tom's circumstances, following contact from Tom. This led to Tom's friend contacting Tom's mother, who subsequently made a safeguarding referral to West Sussex County Council.

6. Safeguarding Adults Board FREE Training

Level 1 Safeguarding Training

This training is for all staff or volunteers working with adults with care and support needs in Cheshire East. This is either as a refresher or a comprehensive introduction to adult safeguarding.

The training is delivered face to face, at your provision. Each session takes one and a half hours. The training can be delivered at a time to suit your yourselves.

You can book on this training by contacting our Training Officer, who will be happy to discuss options for dates and times with you.

SABtraining@cheshireeast.gov.uk

Care Concern Training

This training is for those providers in Cheshire East, who are required to complete the Care Concern process.

The training is delivered via TEAMS once a month. Each session takes one hour.

To find out more information, please contact our Training Officer.

Please state in your email what provision you are from.

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DoLS Process Training

Do you work in the care/health sector in Cheshire East and have a need to complete applications for Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards (DoLS) assessments? If the answer is yes, then this training is for you.

The training is delivered face to face in one of our corporate buildings on a quarterly basis. Each session takes one hour.

For more information, please contact our Training Officer. Please let her know what provision you are from when emailing.

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Safeguarding Adults at Risk: Enhancing Response to Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence Training

The training is delivered face to face in one of our corporate buildings on a quarterly basis.

The training is for all frontline professionals, including the voluntary sector, working with adults at risk.

For more information, please contact our Training Officer.

Please let her know what organisation you work for and what your role is when emailing.

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