

# **June 2021 Joint BSCP/BSAB Newsletter**

# **Welcome from Jo Stephenson and Sir Francis Habgood**

Welcome to the June Safeguarding Partnership Newsletter, we are delighted you are reading this!

For those of you I have not been able to meet yet, my name is Jo Stephenson and I have recently returned to my role as the Partnerships Manager for the Safeguarding Children Partnership and Safeguarding Adults Board. As a Partnership we are really keen to communicate with all of you who play a role in keeping children and adults safe and we are looking at ways of bringing your voices into our work. We want to get better at testing the impact of what we do and sharing learning in ways that are easily accessible.

I am happy to see a wide range of items for you in this edition ranging from hard hitting domestic abuse campaigns, information on child safety from our child death review panel as well as information about new services for young people. We have also added in our book recommendations – please note these are from members of the team for your interest and due to the subject matter have adult content, not suitable for children. If you have any recommendations about media we can share such as books, YouTube and tick tok videos or resources let us know!

As ever, your feedback is always appreciated please do contact <a href="mailto:BSCP@buckinghamshire.gov.uk">BSCP@buckinghamshire.gov.uk</a> with your ideas, comments, compliments and feedback on how we can do better.

### Jo Stephenson - Safeguarding Partnership Manager

## Sir Francis J S Habgood

It was great to have over 160 people involved in the recent online conference on contextual safeguarding in May. Although virtual events restrict the opportunity for people to have conversations in between the formal inputs, it has proved a good way for us to run learning events during Covid times.

The early feedback from the conference has been very positive and it was really

valuable to hear national and local views about contextual safeguarding and to hear about practical examples of what it means. If you didn't get the chance to join the conference then information is available on the BSCP website.

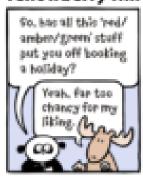
The conference resulted from one of the recommendations in the BSCP thematic review into serious youth violence. The reviews used a local case study, and drew on other national reviews, to understand what opportunities were available that might have prevented the harm and risks that occurred in that case. A greater understanding of the wider context of the lives of the young people would have identified a richer source of information and options. It was good to hear that this is being put into practice in Buckinghamshire – but there are still opportunities to improve practice and the partnership will be helping to coordinate this over the next few months.

The conference really highlighted the importance of using case reviews, both in the adult and children's safeguarding worlds, to identify opportunities to learn and to improve. Each of these reviews come with a series of recommendations that are then robustly tracked by the business unit to ensure that they are embedded. I would encourage everybody to look at the website for details of the most recent publications.

Sir Francis J S Habgood – Independent Chair for Buckinghamshire Safeguarding Children's Partnership and Independent Chair for **Buckinghamshire Adult Safeguarding Board** 













### **Latest News**

### **News from Women's Aid**

1 woman is killed every 4 days as a direct result of domestic abuse. Domestic abuse continues to be an [...]

# **News from NSPCC**

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### **Managing Feelings About Lockdown Easing**

MIND have produced some helpful guidelines around this theme. This page explains feelings you might have about the coronavirus lockdown [...]

#### Introducing the Police and Crime Commissioner for Thames Valley

Following the May 2021 Elections, Matthew Barber was elected as the Police and

Crime Commissioner (PCC) for Thames Valley. Having [...]

# **Cycling Safely**

A recent review took place regarding a child who died in an RTC whilst cycling and the review information revealed [...]

# **Action4Youth Update**

Exciting times at Action4Youth after very many months of planning and covid related delays we will open The Junction, our [...]

# **A Reading Suggestion**

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