



Redbridge Safeguarding Adults

**Redbridge Safeguarding Adults Board
(RSAB)
Strategic Plan
2022 - 2025**

Vision

The work of the Board is based on the following vision.

People in Redbridge have the right to live a life free from harm, where communities:

- have a culture that does not tolerate abuse
- work together to prevent abuse
- know what to do when abuse happens

Values

The values of this Plan are based on understanding and promoting peoples' right to make decisions, the importance of maintaining dignity and respect and the celebration of diversity.

The Board believes that:

- People have the right to live their lives free from neglect and abuse
- Safeguarding adults is a shared responsibility of all organisations and agencies commit to holding each other to account
- The individual, family and community should be at the heart of safeguarding practice
- High quality multi-agency working is essential to good safeguarding
- We respect adults have a right to take risks and that this will sometimes restrict our ability to act
- There must be a commitment to continuous improvement and learning across the partnership



What does a Safeguarding Adult Board do?



All of the above documents can be found on our [website](#).

Principles

Adults at risk of harm or abuse should be at the centre of safeguarding adults' enquiries, referred to as Making Safeguarding Personal (MSP). The work of the Board is underpinned by the following principles, which are embedded in the Care Act 2014:

- **Empowerment** - People being supported and encouraged to make their own decisions and informed consent
- **Prevention** - It is better to take action before harm occurs.
- **Proportionality** - The least intrusive response appropriate to the risk presented.
- **Protection** - Support and representation for those in greatest need.
- **Partnership** - Local solutions through services working with their communities. Communities have a part to play in preventing, detecting, and reporting neglect and abuse
- **Accountability** - Accountability and transparency in safeguarding practice.

Statutory Objective

The Care Act 2014 sets out that the overarching objective of a SAB is to assure itself that local safeguarding arrangements and partners act to help and protect adults in its area who:

- ❖ have needs for care and support (whether or not the local authority is meeting any of those needs) and;
- ❖ are experiencing, or at risk of, abuse or neglect; and
- ❖ as a result of those care and support needs are unable to protect themselves from either the risk of, or the experience of abuse or neglect.

Our Strategic Objectives

RSAB has identified the following strategic objectives:

1. To seek assurance from partner agencies that there is effective leadership, partnership working and governance for safeguarding adults at risk
2. To listen to people who have been subject to abuse or neglect, and to seek assurance that people are able to be supported in the way that they want, are empowered to make decisions, and can achieve the best outcomes
3. To promote safeguarding adults among the general public, by engaging with communities, raising awareness, and promoting well-being with the aim of preventing abuse and neglect
4. To be assured of the safety and wellbeing of anyone who has been subject to abuse or neglect, and that appropriate action has been taken against those responsible
5. To identify, and monitor the implementation of changes, that prevent similar abuse or neglect happening to other people
6. To work in Partnership with the other strategic forums in Redbridge to strengthen our approach to safeguarding adults

Priority areas of work

The Board will prioritise the following four areas as part of achieving its strategic objectives:

Safe services The Board will make seek assurance that people can confidently expect to be safe and to have the support they need delivered in the way they want by all services which provide for people who are generally the most vulnerable in our community.

Transition Young people who have been supported by children's safeguarding services, as they move into adulthood, are faced with changes that can be challenging and unfamiliar for them and their families. It is important to ensure that young people and their families are supported through this transition period.

Informing The Board will work to ensure that all professionals, volunteer, and communities are aware of adult abuse; what it is and how to recognise it. Individuals will know who to contact if they have concerns about someone who may be harmed.

Listening and engaging The Board will ensure partners listen to the views of people and their families, so that we were sure that people are being treated with dignity and respect. Making Safeguarding Personal (MSP) will underpin all adult safeguarding work.

Partnership Maintain and strengthen strong links with the strategic forums in Redbridge to work together at every level to safeguard our communities and improve their health and wellbeing. The Board will work hard to achieve improved outcomes for all our residents by working closely with other local fora such as the [Redbridge Safeguarding Children Partnership \(RSCP\)](#), the Community Safety Partnership (CSP), the Health and Wellbeing Board. It will also work with Pan London partnerships. This will ensure a transparent, efficient, and clear process for the sharing of knowledge, skills, information, and resources; as a result, we will avoid duplication and secure effective co-ordination and coherence over shared priorities and common ground.

Any queries about this Strategic Plan can be directed to the Redbridge Safeguarding Adults Board Business Manager by emailing: RSAB@redbridge.gov.uk For more information about the work of the RSAB and the annual plans, please visit our [website](#).

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