

REPORT TO: Policy and Performance Review Committee

MEETING DATE: 8 March 2017

BY: Chief Social Work Officer

SUBJECT: East Lothian Public Protection Update Report
1 April 2016 – 30 September 2016

1 PURPOSE

This report gives an overview of the statistical information for Public Protection (Child Protection, Adult Support and Protection, Violence Against Women and Girls and Offender Management) in Quarter 1 and Quarter 2 of 2016/2017.

2 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 PPRC is asked to:
- a) Note the contents of this report

3 BACKGROUND

- 3.1 This report is the East Lothian extract of the East Lothian and Midlothian Quarter 2 Lead Officer Observation report which was presented to East Lothian and Midlothian Public Protection Committee on 6 December 2016. It gives an update on statistical information for the first six months of the reporting year 2016/17 and comments on the data for each of the areas of Public Protection over this time period;
- 3.2 Adult Protection – East Lothian Adult Protection data is available on pages 2 & 3 of the report.
- 3.3 Child Protection – East Lothian Child Protection data is presented on pages 4 & 5 of the report.
- 3.4 Violence Against Women and Girls – East Lothian data is presented on pages 6 & 7 of the report.
- 3.5 Offender Management Group – Information from the offender management group is presented on page 8 of the report

4 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

4.1 N/A

5 INTEGRATED IMPACT ASSESSMENT

5.1 The subject of this report does not affect the wellbeing of the community or have a significant impact on equality, the environment or economy

6 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

6.1 Financial – N/A

6.2 Personnel – N/A

6.3 Other – N/A

7 BACKGROUND PAPERS

7.1 East Lothian and Midlothian Public Protection Committee Lead Officer Observations Report Quarter 2 (July - September) 2016/17 East Lothian extract

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East Lothian and Midlothian Public Protection Committee

Lead Officer Observations Report Quarter 2 (July - September) 2016/17

East Lothian extract

Adult Support and Protection

East Lothian

Performance Framework Indicators

Measure	2014/ 15	2015/ 16	Q1 2016/ 17	Q2 2016/ 17	Q3 2016/ 17	Q4 2016/ 17
ASP01 – Total number of cases with a live Adult Support and Protection Plan	24	6	10	14	-	-
ASP02 – Number of repeat Duty to Inquires within a 12 month period following Adult Support and Protection Case Conference	-	6	0	0	-	-
ASP03 – Percentage of Duty to Inquires that have been completed within procedural timescales	-	65% (146 / 226)	87% (47 / 54)	100% (21 / 21)	-	-
ASP04 – Number of Adult Support and Protection IRD's undertaken	93	57	18	14	-	-
ASP05 – Number of adults with a repeat IRD within a 12 month period	-	15 (26%)	1	0	-	-
ASP06 – Percentage of Adult Support and Protection initial case conferences held within procedural timescale	-	47% (9 / 19)	50% (3 / 6)	83% (5 / 6)	-	-
ASP07 – Percentage of Adult Support and Protection review case conferences held within procedural timescales	-	75% (18 / 24)	88% (7 / 8)	100% (5 / 5)	-	-
ASP08 – Percentage of Adult Support and Protection initial case conferences where council officer reports were completed within procedural timescale	-	72% (13 / 18)	67% (4 / 6)	67% (4 / 6)	-	-
ASP09 – Percentage of adults, at Adult Support and Protection initial / review case conference, that have a chronology in place	-	72% (26 / 36)	33% (2 / 6)	81% (9 / 11)	-	-
ASP10 – Percentage of adults where a comprehensive multi-agency risk assessment has been completed within 28 days of the case conference	-	85% (22 / 26)	85% (12 / 14)	64% (7 / 11)	-	-
ASP11a – Percentage of Adult Support and Protection case conferences where the adult attended	-	68% (28 / 41)	50% (7 / 14)	55% (6 / 11)	-	-
ASP11b – Percentage of Adult Support and Protection case conferences where an advocate / guardian / power of attorney attended	-	-	50% (7 / 14)	90% (10 / 11)	-	-
ASP12 – Number of adults reporting that they feel safer as a result of intervention (following Initial Case Conference)	-	-	2 / 6	1 / 4	-	-

Other relevant indicators

Measure	2014/ 15	2015/ 16	Q1 2016/ 17	Q2 2016/ 17	Q3 2016/ 17	Q4 2016/ 17
Referrals	427	493	110	134	-	-
Investigations	125	69	33	40	-	-
Protection orders	3	3	0	1	-	-
Number of Large Scale Investigations	3	2	1	0	-	-

National Data Set

East Lothian Council received 134 adult support and protection referrals in quarter 2 which is an increase of 22% in comparison to quarter 1. Within this quarter there were 40 investigations undertaken (where a visit to the adult was necessary) into the risk of harm, which is an increase of 21% in comparison to quarter 1. Despite the increase in the number of adult support and protection referrals the percentage of investigations (30%) undertaken was consistent in both quarters.

East Lothian Council were granted a Temporary Banning Order on the 8th September 2016 which has now progressed to a full Banning Order with Powers of Arrest for an adult male with a severe brain injury and learning disability who was subject to financial harm and serious risk of physical harm. The court is pursuing a charge of attempted murder.

Performance Framework Indicators

East Lothian Council are reporting that they had 14 live adult support and protection cases in quarter 2 which is an increase of 40% from quarter 1, despite the increase, the number of live open adult support and protection plans remains low.

In quarter 2 East Lothian Council are reporting 100% completion of inquiries within the procedural timescale of 5 working days, however the number of inquiries undertaken in quarter 2 has reduced by 61% in comparison to quarter 1. Initial thinking is that this is due to a change in operational process, however further exploration of the possible reason for this change is required to determine the decrease in the number of inquiries undertaken. This suggests that 16% of adult support and protection referrals have progressed to inquiry.

There were 6 initial adult support and protection case conferences, 5 of which were completed within the procedural timescale (within 20 days of the Inter-agency Referral Discussion). One initial case conference was delayed due to gathering more information and discussing attendance with adult. Of the six initial case conferences 2 Council officer reports were out with the timescales. There were 5 review case conferences within this quarter, all of which met the procedural timescale.

In total there were 11 adult support and protection case conferences in quarter 2 where a multi-agency risk assessment was required. East Lothian has reported that 64% (7/11) of risk assessments were completed within 28 days of the timescale. One was delayed as the allocated worker had left their post, consideration to be given to ensure that all necessary uncompleted work is completed prior to workers leaving or moving on to new posts.

All adults who had initial case conferences were contacted and asked if they felt safer as a result of the intervention. Only one adult out of the four contacted responded and confirmed that they did feel safer as a result. There was no response from the other 3 who attended the initial case conference.

Child Protection

East Lothian

Performance Framework Indicators

Measure	2014/ 15	2015/ 16	Q1 2016/ 17	Q2 2016/ 17	Q3 2016/ 17	Q4 2016/ 17	
CP01 – Number of children on the Child Protection Register (as at end of quarter / year)	31	30	42	53	-	-	
CP02a – Number of repeat Child Protection Register registrations within a 12 month period	0 / 64 (0%)	0 / 45 (0%)	0 / 30 (0%)	0 / 15 (0%)	-	-	
CP02b – Number of repeat Child Protection Register registrations within a 24 month period	-	-	4 / 30 (13%)	5 / 15 (33%)			
CP03 – Number of Child Protection IRD's	280	218	56	63	-	-	
CP04a – Number of children with a repeat IRD within a 12 month period	69 / 280 (25%)	38 / 218 (17%)	3 / 56 (5.4%)	13 / 63 (21%)	-	-	
CP04b – Number of repeat IRD's per child within a 12 month period	None	213	178	53	50	-	-
	One	58	36	3	13	-	-
	Two	11	2	-	-	-	-
	Three	-	-	-	-	-	-
	N/K	-	-	-	-	-	-
CP05 – Percentage of Child Protection initial and pre-birth case conferences held within agreed timescale (28 calendar days)	49% (22 / 43)	59% (20 / 34)	36% (4 / 11)	100% (12 / 12)	-	-	
CP06 – Percentage of Child Protection review case conferences held within agreed timescales (6 months / 183 days)	73% (48 / 66)	67% (28 / 42)	100% (13 / 13)	100% (6 / 6)	-	-	
CP07 – Percentage of Child Protection core groups held within agreed timescales (within 15 calendar days of ICPC and every 8 weeks thereafter)	-	87% (141 / 162)	91% (10 / 11)	90% (57 / 63)	-	-	
CP08 – Percentage of cases going to initial Child Protection case conference where the interim safety plan meets the standards required as per the <i>Child Protection Interim Safety Plan Guidance</i>	-	100% (61 / 61)	-	100% (12 / 12)	-	-	
CP09 – Percentage of children on the Child Protection Register that have a multi-agency integrated chronology	-	69% (55 / 80)	100%	100%	-	-	
CP10 – Percentage of review Child Protection case conferences where a comprehensive risk assessment has been completed	Performance indicator under review						
CP11 – Percentage of children on the Child Protection register that have a SMART plan	-	97% (93 / 96)	100%	100%	-	-	
CP12 – Percentage of Child Protection case conference minutes that note the active participation of children in the child protection process (aged 5 years and over)	Performance indicator under review						

East Lothian have reported extremely positive figures for the majority of Quality Indicators which includes 100% of Initial, Pre-birth and Review Case Conferences taking place within procedural timescales. 100% of Interim Safety Plans were assessed as meeting the standards within the Interim Safety Plan Guidance and 100% of children on the Child Protection Register are recorded as having a SMART Plan in place.

The number of children on the Child Protection Register has risen by 26% since quarter one which also reflects the 12% increase in the number of IRDs being conducted. I await to hear if there is any context to surround this increase.

I await context about the repeat IRDs in Quarter two and the correct figures regarding core groups from quarter one.

Violence Against Women and Girls

Performance Framework Indicators

Measure		2014/ 15	2015/ 16	Q1 2016/ 17	Q2 2016/ 17	Q3 2016/ 17	Q4 2016/ 17
VAW01 – Number of women referred to SMILE substance misuse worker		-	49	22	28	-	-
VAW02 – Percentage of women that access the Domestic Abuse Advocacy Service that report an improvement in self confidence and self esteem during exit interview		-	-	47% (7 / 15)	55% (5 / 9)	-	-
VAW03 – Number of women referred to SMILE Routes to Independence worker		-	41	26	28	-	-
VAW04 – Number of children supported by EMWA Children’s Service		289	363	172	143	-	-
VAW05 – Number of Domestic Abuse incidents reported to the Police	East	Performance indicator under review ¹					
	Mid						
VAW06 - % of incidents resulting in crime reports*	East	Performance indicator under review ²					
	Mid						
VAW07 – Number of victims referred to Domestic Abuse Service Pathway	East	-	69	21	11	-	-
	Mid	-	127	24	19	-	-
VAW08 – Number of victims responded to by SMILE weekend service	East	Performance indicator under review ³					
	Mid						
VAW09 – Number of victims referred to MARAC	East	173	202	21	20	-	-
	Mid			24	32	-	-
VAW10 – Number of actions to increase safety offered at MARAC	East	539	793	90	88	-	-
	Mid			102	90	-	-
VAW11 – Percentage of victims reporting an improvement in their safety when exiting the domestic abuse service		-	90% (27 / 30)	80% (12 / 15)	67% (6 / 9)	-	-
VAW12 – Number of new Caledonian orders being issued at Court	East	9	7	0	4	-	-
	Mid	12	4	0	3	-	-

Violence Against Women and Girls Services Review

The VAWG Services review (initiated in April 2016) is close to completing the first ‘Check’ stage with extensive engagement with key stakeholders across East Lothian and Midlothian and analysis of the data is taking place in December. The review has taken longer than anticipated due to the complexity of working across the partnership and an extension has been granted to allow sufficient time to complete the redesign of services.. The extension would entail an extension of funding for both co-ordinator posts. It is hoped to complete the review by June 2017.

¹ The VAWG Performance Framework will be reviewed for 2017/18 to take account of our VAWG Services Review as well as the National Guidance for Violence Against Women Partnerships and accompanying Equally Safe National Performance Framework.

² Police Scotland will no longer provide this information quarterly, however it is available annually.

³ The weekend service is no longer provided due to limited demand.

Domestic Abuse Service and MARAC

Highlights from Quarter 2 data:

- A significant reduction in East Lothian referrals (from Police) to the Domestic Abuse Service Pathway (48% - 21 to 11); a 39% reduction on Q2 in 2015/16 (18). Similarly, there was a significant reduction in Midlothian referrals (21% - 24 to 19); a slight reduction on Q2 in 2015/16 (21). As mentioned in the Q1 report the trend in referrals is being monitored and this has now returned to higher referrals from Midlothian compared to East Lothian. Work is ongoing with frontline police officers so that they can offer appropriate support at the time of an incident. This may increase the number of referrals in both areas;
- The number of Midlothian MARAC referrals (from various agencies) significantly increased (33% - 24 to 32). It is not possible to compare data with Q2 in 2015/16 as MARAC referrals were not disaggregated by locality, however, overall referrals were similar (50 - 2016/17 and 52 - 2015/16);
- The number of new Caledonian Orders issued at Court increased significantly for both localities from Q1 (0 - 4 East / 0 - 3 Mid), which is also an upward trend from Q2 of 2015/16 (2 East and 1 Mid);
- A notable increase in the number of women referred to SMILE substance misuse worker (27% - 22 – 28); compared to 7 in Q2, 2015/16. There is also a small upward trend in the number of women referred to the SMILE Routes to Independence worker and a significant increase on Q2 2015/16 (28 -18). This demonstrates increasing uptake of specialist support services for women survivors of domestic abuse towards recovery and rebuilding their lives.

We are pleased to welcome Lisa Dowie as the new member of EMPPO Domestic Abuse Service. There are now three members in the team covering 2 Full Time Equivalent (FTE) posts; as of November Alison Porter moved to half time and Lisa was recruited to the other half time post. Please note that this development does not increase the capacity of the team, which is estimated to require three FTEs to meet the needs of the population.

Women's Aid East and Midlothian (WAEML) services

WAEML have recently reviewed their structure and reorganised by locality with Lead Officers for each area: Susan Hunter for Midlothian and Fiona McCabe for East Lothian. In addition they have launched services for deaf and hard of hearing women including: installation of loop systems with a portable loop for outreach (available for partner agencies to access); access to a BSL interpreter and all staff trained in deaf and hard of hearing awareness and BSL. WAEML are also establishing a new confidence building programme for services users to access after the Freedom Programme with new funding from Foundation Scotland.

Caledonian System

The Caledonian System, an integrated approach to address men's domestic abuse and to improve the lives of women, children and men, was recently evaluated positively. The publication can be downloaded at: <https://www.ipsos-mori.com/researchpublications/publications/1882/Evaluation-of-the-Caledonian-System-domestic-abuse-intervention-2016.aspx> .

Offender Management

Improvement Plan

The Offender Management Improvement Plan was approved at the East Lothian and Midlothian Public Protection Committee in November 2015. There have been some minor amendments to the plan. In Midlothian the Criminal Justice Risk Assessment and Management Procedure has been updated to reflect the MAPPA extension and changes to MAPPA templates. The new templates are now being used in all MAPPA Level 2 and 3 cases.

East Lothian update

Multi-agency Public Protection Arrangements (MAPPA)

Numbers remain constant with no level 3 cases during this period.

Discussion has centred on the communication strategy and how this can be driven forward within East Lothian. We are aware that the Scottish Government are looking at drafting a national MAPPA engagement strategy. This is a direct result of the MAPPA Thematic Review in which there was a clear recommendation for this to be designed. We await detail on this.

We continue to have no high risk violent offenders subject to MAPPA extension.

Throughcare

Numbers remain constant with no areas of concern at this time.

New Structure for Community Justice in Scotland

Progress has been limited with regard to the Reducing Re-offending Board. Further dates have been arranged for the next quarter with emphasis on agreeing the Board's remit and responsibilities. We plan to make a presentation to the Integrated Joint Board in December as they are an interested party in the community justice arena due to being a statutory partner.

The national launch is taking place on the 24th November 2016.

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